



# Swelling of Elastic Materials Fluids Deforming Solids

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# Fluids & Elasticity

**Flow** through porous medium

• Darcy's Law

**Elastic** deformation of medium

• Biot's Poroelasticity

#### Swelling

Polymers

#### **Fluids Deforming Solids**

- Surface Tension Elastocapillarity
- Swelling & Growth
- Maxwell Stresses





# Swelling a Sponge







### Pine Cones





#### Tree-bound pine cones:

Hydrated & **closed**, protecting seeds

#### Fallen pine cones:

Dried out & opened, releasing seeds

E. Reyssat and L. Mahadevan. Journal of the Royal Society Interface, 6, 951, 2009.



# Articular Cartilage



0.015M NaCl

Shape change caused by ion concentration.

Residual strain at physiological conditions: 3-15%

0.5 M NaCl

Tensile prestress in cartilage protective against frequent compresses forces.

2M NaCl

L. A. Setton, H. Tohyama, and V. C. Mow, Journal of Biomedical Engineering, **120**, 355, 1998.



### Lichens in the Rain









# Swelling & Growth

#### Materials Science





Swelling of a sponge.



An almond leaf which was attacked by Taphrina Deformans.



E. Sharon and E. Efrati. Soft Matter, 6, 5693, 2010.







# Flow in Porous Media



I. Moumine, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qTvHXRT9qt4, 2015.





# Fluid Dynamics

Navier-Stokes Equations (momentum conservation)



Continuity Equation (mass conservation)

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0$$





#### Porous Media



C. Soulaine, "On the Origin of Darcy's law.", http://web.stanford.edu/~csoulain/PORE\_SCALE/Chap1\_Darcy.pdf, 2015.





#### Inertial Forces



Trailing airplane vortices

#### Viscous Forces



Coiling honey

#### **Reynolds Number:** inertial/viscous

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 $\rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}$ 

 $\rho \partial \mathbf{u} / \partial t$ 

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#### Inertial Forces



Viscous Forces





**Steady inertial forcing** due to the convective derivative:

• Time dependence arises from U<sub>0</sub>

Linear unsteady term sets the inertial time scale to establish steady flows:

Time scale estimated by balancing unsteady inertial force density with viscous force density

 $f_u \sim \rho U_0 / \tau_i$ 

 $f_v \sim \mu U_0 / L_0^2$ 

Time required for a vorticity to diffuse a distance  $L_0$ , with a diffusivity  $v=\mu/\rho$ ,  $\tau_i \sim 10$  ms

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#### **Inertial Forces**



**Viscous Forces** 



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Fluid element accelerating around curve.

- During a turn time:  $\tau_0 \sim w/U_0$
- Loss of momentum density:  $\rho U_0$
- By exerting an inertial centrifugal force density:

Fluid element in a channel of contracting length.

 By mass conservation, velocity increases as:

 $u \sim U_0(1+z/l)$ 

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Gain momentum at a rate:

 $f_i \sim \rho U_0 / \tau_0 = \rho U_0^2 / w \qquad f_i \sim \rho \frac{\mathrm{d}u}{\mathrm{d}t} = \rho U_0 \frac{\mathrm{d}u}{\mathrm{d}z} \sim \frac{\rho U_0^2}{l}$ 

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Viscous Forces



Estimation of Reynolds numbers for common microfluidic devices.

- Typical fluid water
  - Viscosity: 1.025 cP @ 25°C
  - Density: 1 g/mL
- Typical channel dimensions
  - Radius/height (smaller than width):  $1 100 \ \mu m$
- Typical velocities
  - Average velocity: 1 μm/s 1 cm/s

#### Typical Reynolds number:

$$\mathscr{R} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-6}) - \mathcal{O}(10^1)$$

Low Reynolds number: viscous forces > inertial forces

- Flows are **linear**.
- Nonlinear terms in Navier-Stokes disappear
  - Linear, predictable Stokes flow

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# **Stokes Equations**

Stokes Equations (momentum & mass conservation)

# $0 = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_{\beta}$ $0 = -\nabla p_{\beta} + \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} + \mu_{\beta} \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}_{\beta}$

...but, in order to proceed, we need to prescribe BC's on each grain...



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#### **Darcy-Brinkman-Stokes Equations**

Averaging over pressures and velocities.

$$0 = -\nabla \langle p_{\beta} \rangle + \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} + \mu_{\beta} \nabla^{2} \langle \mathbf{u}_{\beta} \rangle - \underbrace{\mu_{\beta} k_{ij}^{-1} \cdot \langle \mathbf{u}_{\beta} \rangle}_{\text{Viscous friction}}$$
Void space:  $\langle \phi_{\beta} \rangle = \frac{1}{V} \int_{V_{\beta}} dV$ 
Viscous friction

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### Viscous Drag







### Porous Media

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Darcy's law (volumetric flux, isotropic medium)

$$\mathbf{q} = -\frac{k}{\mu} \left( \nabla \langle p_{\beta} \rangle - \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} \right)$$





#### Porous Media







# **Biot Poroelasticity**



**Figure 1.1:** Water-level fluctuations due to a passing train. An approaching train compresses the aquifer, which quickly raises the pore pressure in the affected region. Fluid then flows away from the high-pressure region. As the train departs, the aquifer expands, thereby quickly reducing the pore pressure in the affected region. Fluid again flows in response to the pressure differences, but this time it builds up the pore pressure. The approximately equal and opposite behaviors demonstrate that the aquifer is elastic (Domenico and Schwartz, 1998, p. 65; Jacob, 1940).





# **Biot Poroelasticity**

#### Coupled problem:

Pore pressure has time dependence, as does poroelastic stresses/strains.

#### Poroelasticity:

Cannot solve fluid flow problem independent of stress field.

• Stress changes in fluid-saturated porous media typically produce significant changes in pore pressure.

Increment in total work associated with strain increment and fluid content.

$$\mathrm{d}W = \sigma_{ij} \,\,\mathrm{d}\varepsilon_{ij} + p \,\,\mathrm{d}\zeta$$





# Biot Poroelasticity

**Time dependence** work is related to the **fluid flux** through **Darcy's law**.



Compression of the medium (e.g. soil) includes compression of pore fluid and particles plus the fluid expelled from an element by flow.

**Resistance** of medium defined by bulk and shear moduli.

comes out?

$$\left(K + \frac{4}{3}G\right)\nabla^2\varepsilon = \alpha\nabla^2 p$$

Stress caused by (1.) hydrostatic pressure of water filling pores, and (2.) average stress in porous network. Stresses in the soil carried in part by the fluid and in part by solid.









L. Berger, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qTvHXRT9qt4, 2012.





# Swelling Spheres



Igor30, "Play with Water Balz Balls Jumbo Polymer Hydrogel", https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GX2PRQi6Tdk, 2014.





# Polymers & Swelling







Free Energy

#### Gibbs Free Energy of Dilution



#### Equilibrium Swelling $\ \Delta \mathcal{G} = 0$

At constant pressure

#### **Determination via Osmotic Pressure**

Excess pressure required to keep mixed phase in equilibrium with the pure liquid. PT (m)

$$\Pi = -\frac{RT}{V} \ln\left(\frac{p}{p_0}\right)$$

**p**: Vapor pressure of liquid in equilibrium with mixture.

 $\mathbf{p}_0$ : Saturation pressure





Free Energy

#### **Gibbs Free Energy of Dilution**

Enthalpy ~ Internal Energy Entropy of dilution (Boltzmann)

#### Flory-Huggins Equation

Free, long polymer chains

$$\Delta \mathcal{G} = RT \left[ \ln \left( 1 - v_2 \right) + v_2 + \chi v_2^2 \right]$$

Flory-Huggins Chi parameter: dimensionless, polymer/fluid interactions.

Good solvents: 
$$\chi \sim 0.1-0.5$$





#### Flory-Rehner Equation

Crosslinked polymer networks

- The entropy change caused by mixing of polymer and solvent.
- The entropy change caused by reduction in numbers of possible chain conformations on swelling.
- The **heat of mixing** of polymer and solvent, which may be positive, negative, or zero.

Equilibrium swelling of a crosslinked network:

$$\ln\left(1 - v_2\right) + v_2 + \chi v_2^2 + \frac{\rho V_s}{M_c} v_2^{1/3} = 0$$

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Approximate equilibrium stretch:

$$\lambda_{eq} \approx \left(\frac{RT}{V_s} \frac{1/2 - \chi}{G}\right)^{1/5}$$





### PDMS & Swelling

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J.N. Lee, C. Park, G.M. Whitesides, "Solvent Compatibility of Poly(dimethylsiloane)-Based Microfluidic Devices", Anal. Chem. 75, 6544-6554, 2003.





### Swelling a Disk







### Swelling a Disk





M. Doi, "Gel Dynamics," Journal of the Physical Society of Japan, 78(5), 052001, 2009.



# Swelling a Sphere

#### **Swelling Dynamics**

Linearized, similar to poroelasticity

$$\left(K + \frac{4}{3}G\right)\nabla\nabla\cdot\mathbf{u} + G\nabla^2\mathbf{u} = \nabla^2p$$

Incompressibility & Darcy's law

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = k \nabla^2 p$$

Volume change (e.g. sphere)  $lpha({f x},t)=
abla\cdot{f u}$ 

Volume change

Satisfied by diffusion relation:

 $\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t} = D \nabla^2 \alpha \qquad D \equiv \left( K + \frac{4}{3} G \right) k$ 

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### Gelatin cubes dropped onto solid surface High Speed Video 6200 fps

ModernistCuisine, "Gelatin cubes dropped onto solid surface High Speed Video 6200 fps", https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4n5AfHYST6E, 2011.





mechanics of slender structures

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Source: Kreupl et al. (2004)



http://www.lani.gov/science/1663/august2011/images/Cell-Wave-Final.png

Geometric Non-linearities:

- Buckling
- Wrinkling
- Folding
- Creasing
- Snapping

How do objects change shape?



http://isabelleteo.deviantart.com/art/Justhair-292904304



http://www.contactlensescomparison.com/wp-content/themes/smallbiz/images/ lens.jpg

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# How do you "**grow**" a **structure** into a desired shape?





# length pure compression pure bending

# Thin Structures

### Bending vs. Stretching

E – Elastic Modulus  $\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}$  – in-plane strain

 $\begin{array}{l} h-\text{thickness}\\ \kappa-\text{curvature} \end{array}$ 

 $U_m \sim E h \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}^2$ 

Energy in Compression  $\sim$  thickness

 $U_b \sim E h^3 \kappa^2$ 

Energy in Bending  $\sim$  thickness<sup>3</sup>

### Thin structures deform by **bending** & avoid stretching

E. Sharon and M. Marder, "Leaves, flowers, and garbage bags: Making waves", American Scientist, 2004.





### A still photo is a kind of lie PETER DOIG



Louisiana Art Museum, 2015.



# Swelling Dynamics





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## Beam Bending







# Diffusion

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- •Thermal diffusion through the beam thickness.
- •Shape obtained by minimizing the bending moment in the beam.
- •Beam curvature as temperature diffuses.

Beam curvature as solvent diffuses:

$$\frac{\kappa_1 h}{\varepsilon_m (1+\nu)} = 1.33 e^{-\frac{\pi^2 t/\tau}{4}} - 0.77 e^{-\frac{9\pi^2 t/\tau}{4}} + \dots$$

Poroelastic time scale:

$$\tau_p \approx \frac{\mu h^2}{kE}$$

 $\mu$  = Solvent viscosity h = Thickness k = Permeability (k  $\approx$  10<sup>-18</sup> m<sup>2</sup>/s) E = Elastic modulus (E = 10<sup>6</sup> Pa)







Swelling





# Nonlinear Swelling



A. Lucantonio, P. Nardinocchi, L. Teresi, "Transient analysis of swelling-induced large deformations polymer gels" Journal of the Mechanics and Physics of Solids, 61, 205-218, 2013.





# Nonlinear Swelling







# What happens when you swell a thicker beam?





M. Doi, "Gel Dynamics," Journal of the Physical Society of Japan, 78(5), 052001, 2009.



# Mechanical Instability





H. Tanaka, H. Tomita, A. Takasu, T. Hayashi, and T. Nishi. *Physical Review Letters*, **68**, 18, 1992.

# Bending and Buckling



mechanics of slender structures

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# Bending vs. Swelling

### Can the fluid bend the structure?

Bending  
$$\mathcal{U}_b = \frac{B}{2} \int_L \theta'(s)^2 \mathrm{d}s \sim \overline{E}h^3$$

Swelling  
$$\mathcal{U}_s = \int_{V_f} \sigma \varepsilon_{eq} \, \mathrm{d}V_f \sim E \varepsilon_{eq}^2 V_f$$

Length scale:

mechanics of slender structures

$$\ell_{es} \sim \left(\varepsilon_{eq}^2 V_f\right)^{1/3}$$



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### Thin structures bend...



### Thick structures stay flat, while their surface creases...



"Elastoswelling" length

 $\ell_{es} \sim \left(\varepsilon_{ea}^2 V_f\right)^{1/3}$ 





# Deformation Transition

Material	$\delta_s (cal^{1/2} cm^{-3/2})$	$\mu$ (D)	Eeq
PDMS	7.3	0.6-0.9	÷
Diisopropylamine	7.3	1.2	1.13
Triethylamine	7.5	0.7	0.58
Hexanes	7.3	0.0	0.35
Toluene	8.9	0.4	0.31
Ethyl acetate	9.0	1.8	0.18

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# **Controlling Shape**



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# Microfluidic Swelling







# **Controlling Shape**



10 mm





# What about wetting?





## Fluid Behavior

### Viscous Forces



### Interfacial Forces



Coiling honey

Wetting of water on a textured surface

### Capillary Number: viscous/interfacial

Honey: http://www.honeyassociation.com/webimages/honey-dipper.jpg

Droplet: http://www.rycobel.be/en/technical-info/articles/1337/measuring-dynamic-absorption-and-wetting





# Fluid Behavior

### Viscous Forces



#### Interfacial Forces



### Capillary Number: viscous/interfacial



Monodisperse droplet generation

- Droplet emulsions in immiscible fluids
- Injection of water into stream of oil

Interfacial tension prevents the fluids from flowing alongside each other.

### Surface tension acts to reduce the interfacial area. $\sigma_c \sim \gamma/R$

Viscous stresses act to extend and drag the interface downstream.  $\sigma_v \sim \mu U_0/h$ 

### Characteristic droplet size:



#### Capillary number:

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# Fluid Behavior

Viscous Forces



### Interfacial Forces



### Capillary Number: viscous/interfacial

### Large **surface-to-volume** ratios in microfluidic devices

- Makes surface effects increasingly important.
- Important when free fluid surfaces are present.

Surface tensions can exert significant stress

- Result in free surface deformations.
- Can drive fluid motion.

Capillary forces tend to draw fluid into wetting microchannels

• Occurs when **solid-liquid** interfacial **energy** is **lower** than the **solid-gas** interfacial **energy**.

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# Capillary Rise



### Balance: Surface Tension & Gravity

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# Elastocapillarity





Fluid-structure interaction:

- Droplet bends and folds the sheet.
- Droplet is minimizing the amount of its surface in contact with air.
- Liquid-air surface area is minimized at the expense of bending the sheet.



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# Elastocapillarity





Fluid-structure interaction:

Elastic energy of a plate – bending:  $\mathcal{U}_e = \frac{1}{2} \iint_P \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y \int_{-h/2}^{h/2} \mathrm{d}z \left(\sigma_{\alpha\beta} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}\right)$ 

Relation between in-plane strain to out-of-plane bending:

$$\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}(x) = z \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 w}{\mathrm{d}x^2} = \frac{z}{R}$$

Bending energy:

 $\mathcal{U}_b = \frac{1}{2} \iint_P \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y \ \frac{Eh^3}{12} \left(\frac{1}{R}\right)^2$ 

 $\mathcal{U}_{h} \sim Eh^{3}$ 



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# Elastocapillarity





 $(\mathbf{b})$ 



Fluid-structure interaction:

Bending energy:

 $\mathcal{U}_b \sim Eh^3$ 

Surface energy:

 $\mathcal{U}_{\gamma} \sim \gamma L^2$ 

Elastocapillary length:

 $\ell_{ec} \sim \sqrt{\frac{Eh^3}{\gamma}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{B}{\gamma}}$ 

Elastocapillary bending of sheet:

 $7\ell_{ec} \leq L \leq 12\ell_{ec}$ 







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Solid: Polyvinylsiloxane Fluid: Silicone Oil (5 cSt)

20x faster than real time

 $E \approx 1 MPa (PVS)$ L = 20 mm $d \approx 2 mm$  $h \approx 0.5 mm$ 



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1. Elastocapillary rise between flexible fibers.

At short times, elastocapillary rise dominates the deformation.

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### **Baobab** Flowering





BBC - Planet Earth: Seasonal Forests



# What about geometry?





### Mechanics of Thin



 $K = \kappa_1 \kappa_2 = \Diamond^4 [w, w, ] = 0 \qquad K = \kappa_1 \kappa_2 = \Diamond^4 [w, w, ] > 0 \qquad K = \kappa_1 \kappa_2 = \Diamond^4 [w, w, ] < 0$ Developable







### Dancing Disks



#### Axisymmetric Disks

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### Dynamics: Twisting



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## Dynamics: Twisting

a/b = 1





#### How do thin structures grow? Permanent shape change and mass increase.

- Radial growth
- Through-thickness growth





## Shaping Sheets



#### Shaping elastic sheets by prescribing non-Euclidean metrics

- Prepare gels that undergo nonuniform shrinkage.
- Buckling thin films based on chosen metrics.





## Shaping Sheets



#### Shaping elastic sheets by halftone gel lithography

- Photopattern thin films.
- Thermal-actuated shape change.
- Swell to embedding based on prescribed metric.



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## Geometric Composite



Goal: Use swelling to predictably & permanently morph plates into shells





# Geometric Composite



#### Stretching Dominated

Will bend as much as possible while minimizing stretching.

Stretching Energy of the Plate (incompressible)

$$\mathcal{U}_s \simeq h \int_A E[\operatorname{tr}^2(a - \overline{a}) + \operatorname{tr}(a - \overline{a})^2] \sqrt{|\overline{a}|} dA$$

$$\bigwedge_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Target}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Target}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Target}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Target}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Target}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{metric}}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\substack{\text{Realized}\\\text{Realized}} \prod_{\substack{\substack{Realized}\\\text{Realized$$

**Stretching Energy** (Assume all strains zero, except:  $a_{\theta\theta} - \overline{a}_{\theta\theta}$ )

 $\mathcal{U}_s \simeq Eh \int_0^R \frac{(a_{\theta\theta} - r^2)^2}{r^3} \, \mathrm{d}r + Eh \int_R^{R_e/\alpha} \frac{(a_{\theta\theta} - \alpha^2 r^2)^2}{\alpha^2 r^3} \, \mathrm{d}r$ 

First Fundamental Form Gaussian curvature  $ds^2 = d\rho^2 + a_{\theta\theta}(\rho)d\theta^2 - \partial_{\rho\rho}\sqrt{a_{\theta\theta}}/\sqrt{a_{\theta\theta}}$ 

**Minimize Stretching Energy** (Constant K metric)  $a_{\theta\theta}(\rho) = (\sin(\sqrt{K}\rho)/\sqrt{K})^2$ 





## Geometric Composite



Minimize Stretching Energy (Constant K metric)  $a_{\theta\theta}(\rho) = (\sin(\sqrt{K}\rho)/\sqrt{K})^2$ 

**Taylor Expand**  $a_{\theta\theta}(\rho)$  (Assume:  $|K| < \alpha^2/R_e^2$ )

$$a_{\theta\theta}(\rho) = \rho^2 - \frac{K}{3}\rho^4 + \mathcal{O}(\rho^5)$$

$$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$$

Flat metric

Kind of non-Euclidean metric

#### **Experiments:** Mechanical Strain









The elastomer contains free, uncrosslinked polymer chains.



















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## Swelling Dynamics

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## Growing Sheets

Consider a thin structure with a growing top layer.

Caused by swelling, growth, heating, etc.

Elastic energy density depends on material properties & metric tensors  $\overline{\mathcal{U}} = \int [(1-\nu)|\mathbf{a} - \overline{\mathbf{a}}|^2 + \nu \operatorname{tr}^2(\mathbf{a} - \overline{\mathbf{a}})]\sqrt{|\overline{\mathbf{a}}|} \, \mathrm{d}A + \frac{h^2}{3} \int [(1-\nu)|\mathbf{b} - \overline{\mathbf{b}}|^2 + \nu \operatorname{tr}^2(\mathbf{b} - \overline{\mathbf{b}})]\sqrt{|\overline{\mathbf{a}}|} \, \mathrm{d}A$ Stretching Energy



Bending Energy

Lateral distances ( $\Lambda_0^2$ ) and curvatures ( $\kappa_0$ ) that make the sheet stress free.

Metric tensor Curvature tensor  $\boldsymbol{\kappa_0} \quad \boldsymbol{\bar{\mathbf{a}}} = \Lambda_o^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{\bar{\mathbf{b}}} = \kappa_o \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 



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#### Numerical Simulations using COMSOL Multiphysics

- Finite, incompatible tridimensional elasticity with a Neo-Hookean incompressible material.
- Distortions used to simulate prestretch.
- Top layer subjected to distortion field:

 $\mathbf{F}_o = \lambda(\mathbf{e}_1 \otimes \mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2 \otimes \mathbf{e}_2) + \mathbf{e}_3 \otimes \mathbf{e}_3$ 

#### **Residual Swelling Experiments**

- PVS Bilayer (Total thickness ~ 600um)
- Axisymmetric, circular plate.
- Pink (top) source of swelling for green (bot).
- Real time = 75 minutes (Video: 640x RT)







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In the **isometric limit**, the stretching energy is zero.

i.e.  $\mathbf{a} = \overline{\mathbf{a}}$ 

Curvature tensor (Cartesian)

• Second fundamental form:  $Ldu^2 + 2Mdudv + Ndv^2$ 

Minimize bending energy

- Constrain the mid-surface to be flat
- Impose Lagrange multiplier enforcing

$$\underbrace{\Lambda_0^{-4}\left(LN-M^2\right)}_{0} = 0$$

Gaussian Curvature

Minimization yields:

$$L + N = \kappa_0 (1 + \nu) \quad \text{and} \quad K = 0$$



1.05

0.05



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#### Bifurcation

#### **Rectangular Sheet**



#### Stretching Energy Density



In the limit of large stretching, the sheet adopts an isometry.

#### For **small stretching**, the sheet is initially spherical curved.

• Bifurcation from spherical to cylindrical.

#### Classical problem (limited to circular and elliptical disks)

- Stoney formula relating stress to curvature.
- Strain mismatch work (Hyer, Freund, Seffen, etc.)





## Bifurcation

#### Stretching Energy

Assuming a metric with constant K (Gauss normal coords)

$$\overline{\mathcal{U}}_s = \frac{1}{9}\lambda_0^6 K^2 \int_A r^4 \, \mathrm{d}A$$

#### **Bending Energy**

In the spherical shape: L = N

$$\overline{\mathcal{U}}_b = h^2 \lambda_0^{-2} A (L - \kappa_0)^2$$

Shape factor:

- Assume metric is axisymmetric.
- Assume K is homogenous.

$$a_{rr} = \overline{a}_{rr} \qquad a_{r\theta} = 0$$
$$a_{\theta\theta}(\rho) = \rho^2 - \frac{K}{3}\rho^4 + \mathcal{O}(\rho^5)$$

Shape factor:

$$\mathcal{S} \equiv \left(\frac{2}{9}\frac{1}{A}\int_{A}r^{4} \mathrm{d}A\right)^{1/4}$$

Structural Slenderness:

$$\gamma = h/\mathcal{S}$$



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## Bifurcation





#### Shell Growth





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