

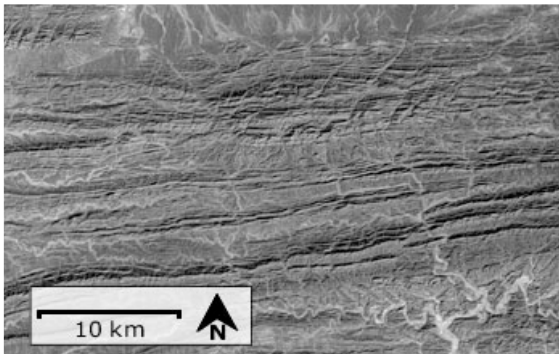


Geometric mechanics: from the atomic to the tectonic

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wrinkling

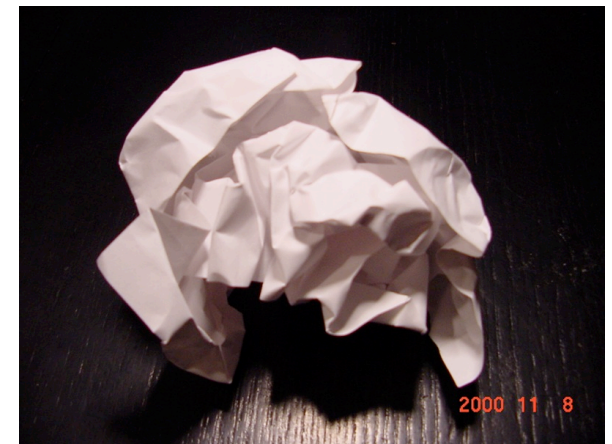


draping

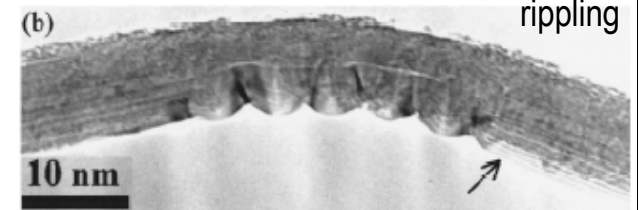


Leonardo da Vinci, ca. 1500

crumpling



rippling



Questions: patterns, fine scales, singularities ?

Outline:

- A little geometry and physics
- An example - wrinkling of a multi-walled nanotube
- A generalized theory - of skins and elephant trunks ...
- The art of the coutourier - the elements of a drape
- The elements of crumpling - Gauss' Theorema Egregium, Monge Ampere ...
- Dynamics, rheology and fluctuations - more questions ...

theory:

- E. Cerda
- S. Rica
- H. Liang

experiments:

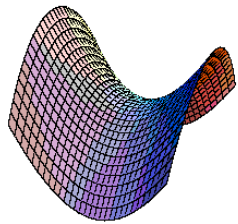
- J. Bico
- F. Melo
- J. Genzer
- R. Bendick

Geometry

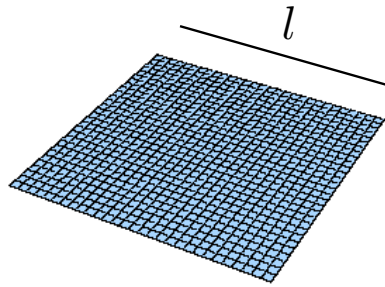
κ_1, κ_2 principal curvatures

Mean curvature $\kappa_M = \frac{1}{2}(\kappa_1 + \kappa_2)$

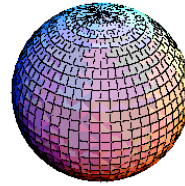
Gauss curvature $\kappa_G = \kappa_1 \kappa_2$



$$\kappa_G < 0$$



$$\kappa_G = 0$$



$$\kappa_G > 0$$

κ_G
intrinsic - isometric invariant

Physics

thickness t

$$t/l \ll 1$$

long wavelength

$$t\kappa \ll 1$$

deformations

Stretching (tangential) mode

strain $\gamma \sim \frac{\Delta l}{l}$

Bending (transverse) mode

curvature $\kappa \sim \frac{\Delta\theta}{l}$ strain $h\kappa$

energy/area $U_s \sim \underline{E}t\gamma^2$

energy/area $U_b \sim Et(t\kappa)^2 \sim \underline{E}t^3\kappa^2$

Expensive

E - modulus

Cheap

- Coupling of stretching to bending ? - via geometry

$$\kappa_G \neq 0$$

Q ?

- Stretching dominated ?
- Bending dominated ?
- Inhomogeneous

$$\text{Min}[\int U_e dA + \int b[w(x, y) - R]dA]$$

Packing constraint

$$U_e = C_1(\text{Tr } \kappa)^2 + C_2 \text{Det } \kappa + C_3(\text{Tr } \gamma)^2 + C_4 \text{Det } \gamma$$

Elastic energy

Equations of equilibrium ?

Geometry $[x, y, 0] \rightarrow [x + u(x, y), y + v(x, y), w(x, y)]$ e.g. Monge gauge

Physics $\sigma = \mathbf{C}\gamma$ linear stress-strain law

$$\frac{Et^3}{12(1 - \nu^2)} \nabla^2 (\text{Tr } \kappa) = \text{Tr}(\sigma \kappa)$$

κ_M

normal force balance

Foppl, von Karman (1907)

$$\nabla^2 (\text{Tr } \sigma) = -Et(\text{Det } \kappa)$$

κ_G

geometric compatibility

+ B.C.

- No 2-d analytical solutions !
- Scaling/asymptotic analysis ?

$$\text{Tr}(\sigma \kappa) \approx 0$$

almost planar
(except for wrinkles)

2 limits :

$$\epsilon = t/l \ll 1$$

$$\text{Det } \kappa \approx 0$$

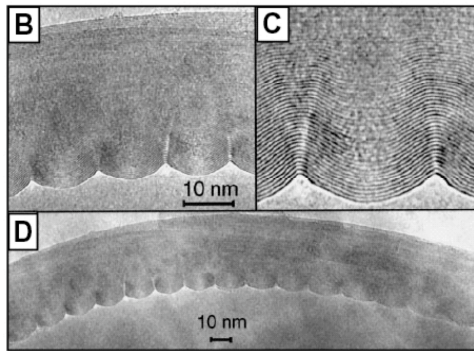
almost isometric
(except for crumples)

Wrinkling

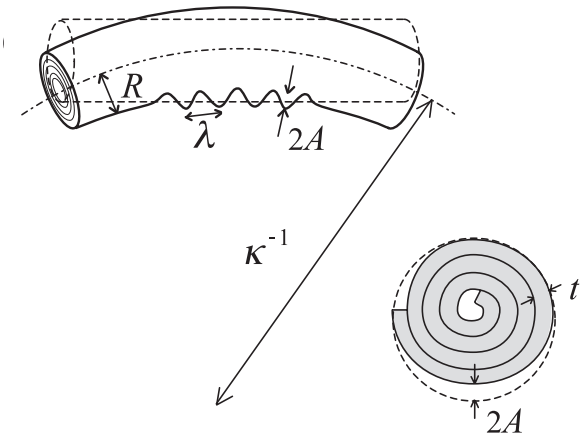
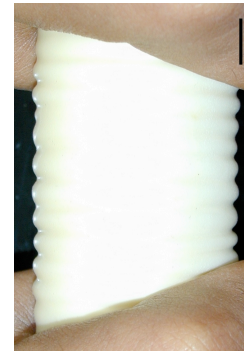
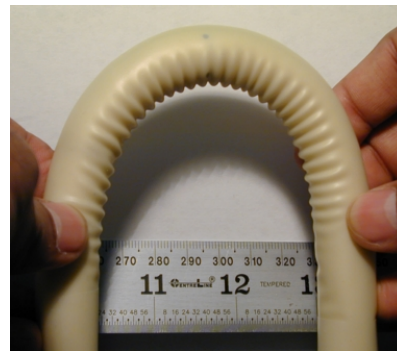
LM, Bico et al (EPL 2003)

Multi-walled carbon nanotube

Rubber scroll



Poncharal et al. (2002)



t thickness (1 atom !)

n number of layers

$$R \sim nt$$

$$\lambda = tf(n)$$

$$\kappa_w \sim A/\lambda^2$$

$$\epsilon \sim A/R$$

stretching

Energy/area $U_B + U_S \sim [Et^3 \kappa_w^2 + Et\epsilon^2]RL$

+

bending



$$\frac{U}{RL} \sim EtR\kappa \left(\frac{t^2}{\lambda^2} + \frac{\lambda^2}{R^2} \right)$$

Inextensibility constraint

$$[\lambda(1 - R\kappa)]^2 + A^2 \approx \lambda^2$$

$$A^2/\lambda^2 \sim R\kappa$$

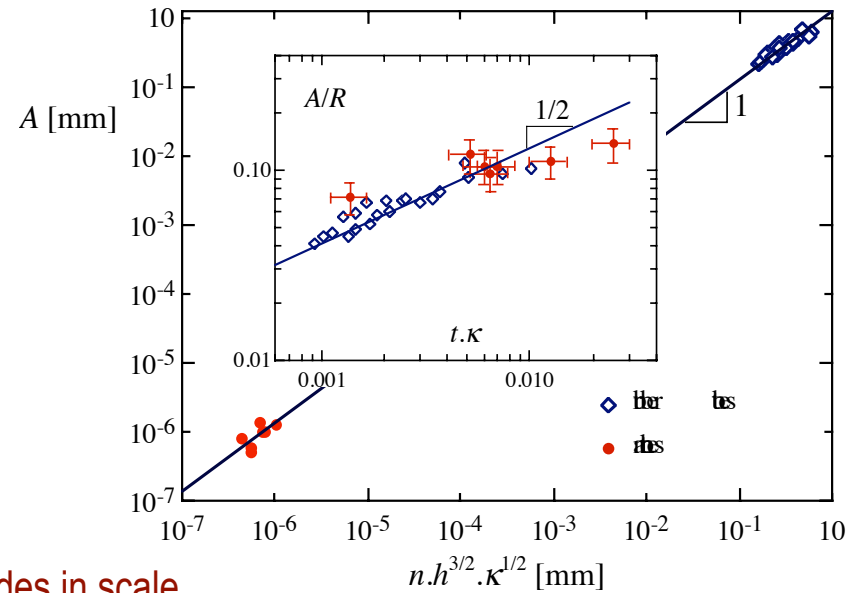
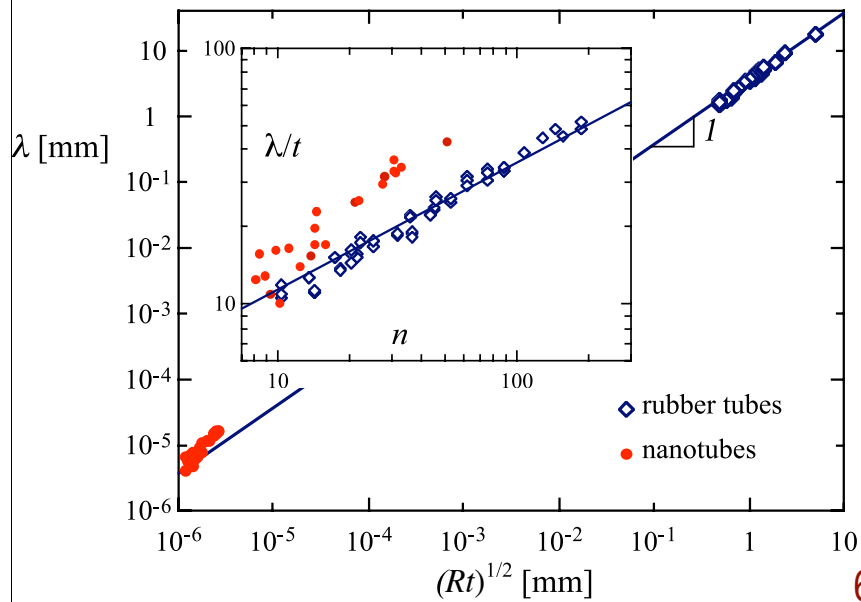
bending stretching
(mattress)

Min U

$$\lambda \sim (Rt)^{1/2} \sim n^{1/2}t$$

$$A \sim R(t\kappa)^{1/2} \sim n(t^3\kappa)^{1/2}$$

- No dependence on material
- Wavelength + Amplitude ... nonlinear
- Geometric theory



6 decades in scale
(rubber ≠ carbon)



“Ganesha” instability

Ingredients for a theory of wrinkles:

- “Packing” constraint $\Delta \sim R\kappa$

- Bending energy penalty Et^3

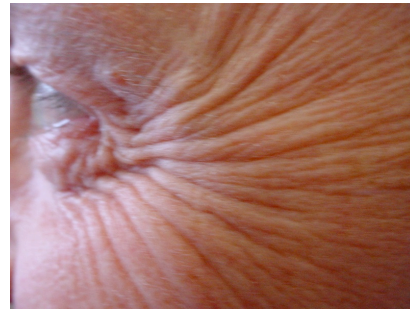
- “Mattress” of springs $K \sim Et/R^2$

$$\lambda \sim \left(\frac{Et^3}{K}\right)^{1/4} \quad A \sim \Delta^{1/2} \lambda$$

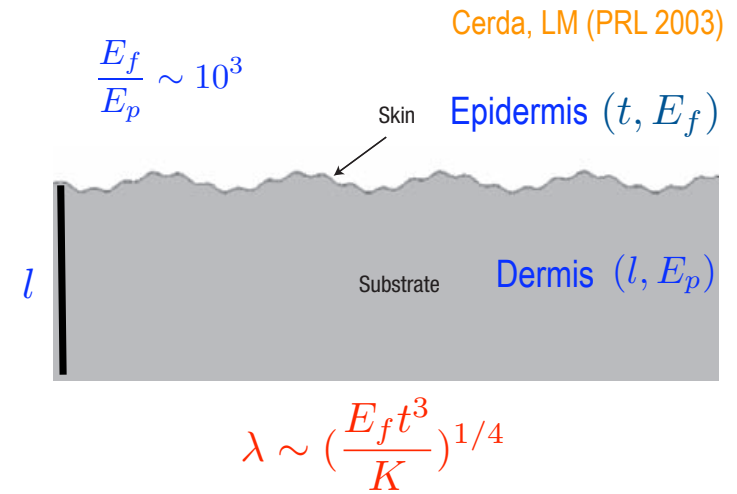
Skin ?



Compression



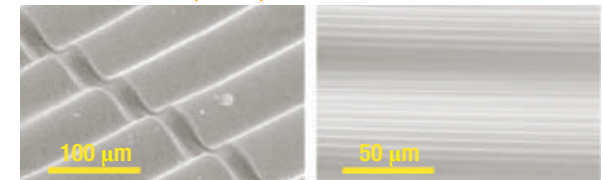
Tension



Mattress stiffness $K = \frac{E_p}{L} f\left(\frac{E_f}{E_p}, \frac{\lambda}{l}\right) ?$

“Persistence” length $L ?$

J. Genzer, LM et al. (2005) self-similar wrinkling

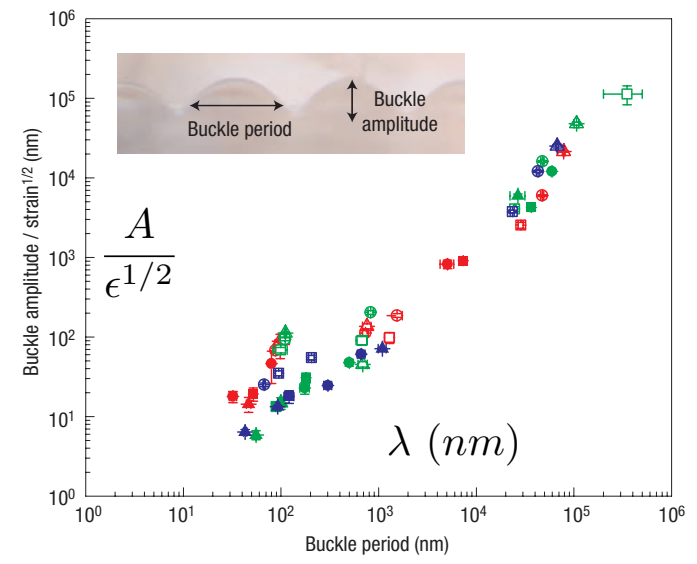


deep “water” $\lambda \ll l, L \sim \lambda, \lambda \sim t\left(\frac{E_f}{E_p}\right)^{1/3}$

$t/l \ll 1, \lambda/t \sim 10$ *not very visible*

shallow “water” $\lambda \gg l, \lambda \sim (tl)^{1/2}\left(\frac{E_f}{E_p}\right)^{1/6}$

$l/t \sim 10, \lambda/l \sim 1$ *visible - need Botox ?*

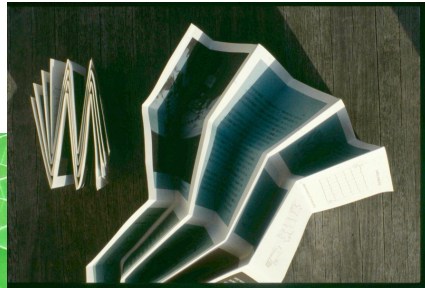
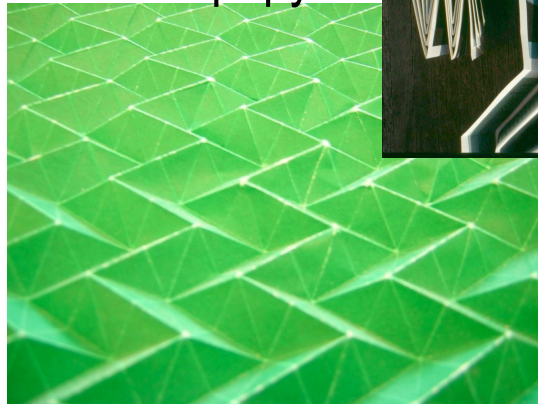


Controllable 1-d wrinkling patterns :

2-d : self-organized Origami

secondary instability of a periodic wrinkling pattern

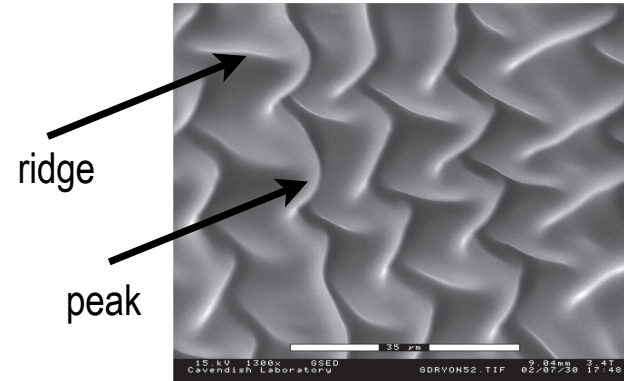
In-papyro



Miura-ori (1975)

map-folding ?

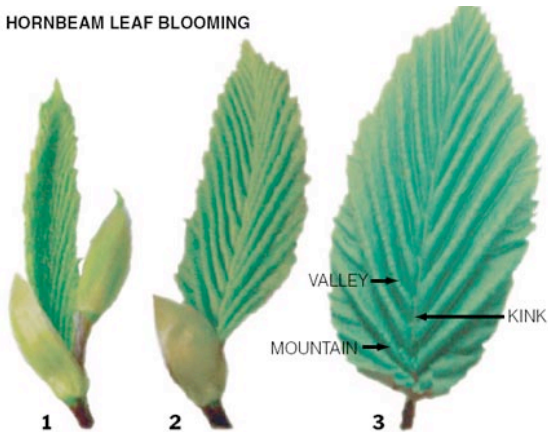
In-vitro (drying gelatin)



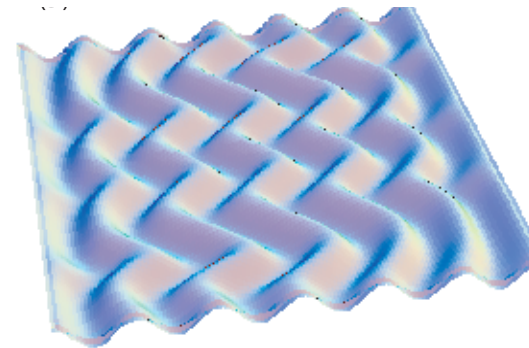
Rizzieri et al. (2005)

In-vivo

HORNBEAM LEAF BLOOMING



In-silico

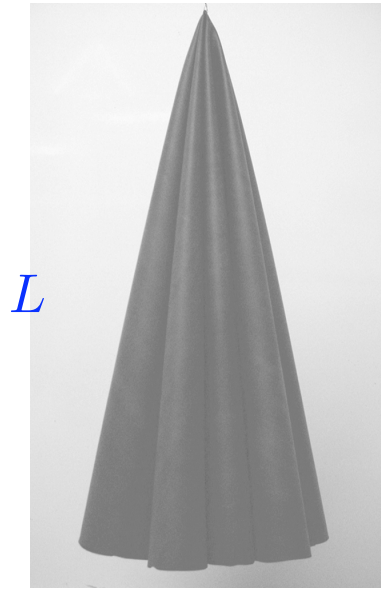
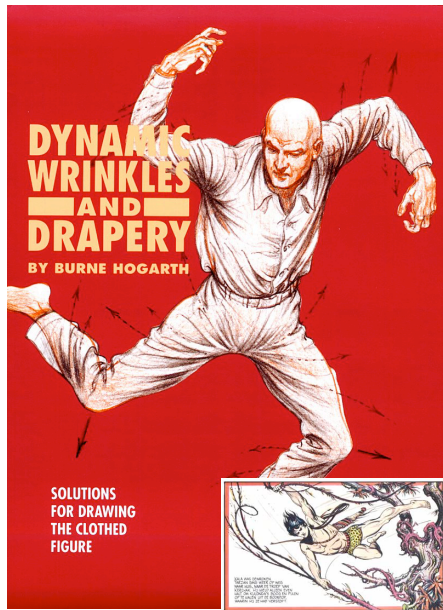


Newell-Whitehead-Segel eqn. (1969)

$$\epsilon A + h^2 \left[\left(\partial_x - \frac{i}{\partial_{yy}} \right)^2 - g |A|^2 \right] A = 0$$

(differential) shrinkage - a model for morphogenesis ?

Elements of a drape ?



point



line



curve

“gravity” length

$$l_g \sim \left(\frac{Et^2}{\rho g}\right)^{1/3} \sim O(cm)$$

of folds

$$n \sim \frac{L}{\lambda} \sim \left(\frac{L}{l_g}\right)^{3/4}$$

of folds

$$n \sim \frac{W}{\lambda} \sim \frac{W}{L^{1/4} l_g^{3/4}}$$

Inverse cascade

$L_p^i \sim \lambda_p^{i^2}$
“persistence” of a wrinkle

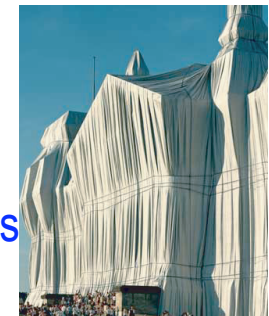
gravity = “spring”

tension $T \sim \rho g t L$

$$K \sim T/L^2 \sim \frac{\rho g t}{L}$$

$$\lambda \sim \left(\frac{Et^3}{K}\right)^{1/4} \sim L^{1/4} l_g^{3/4}$$

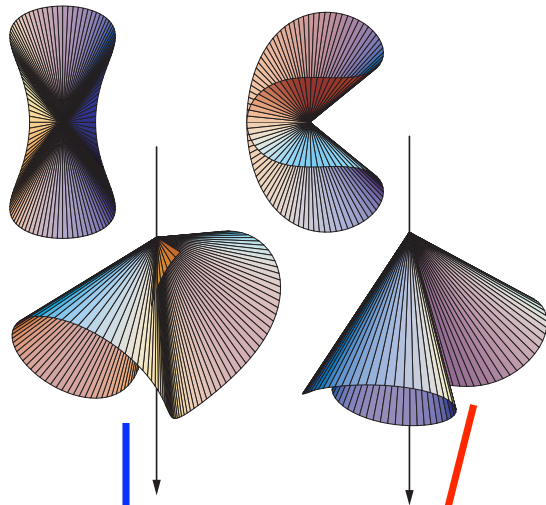
- Spacing of guy ropes
Christo’s drapes !



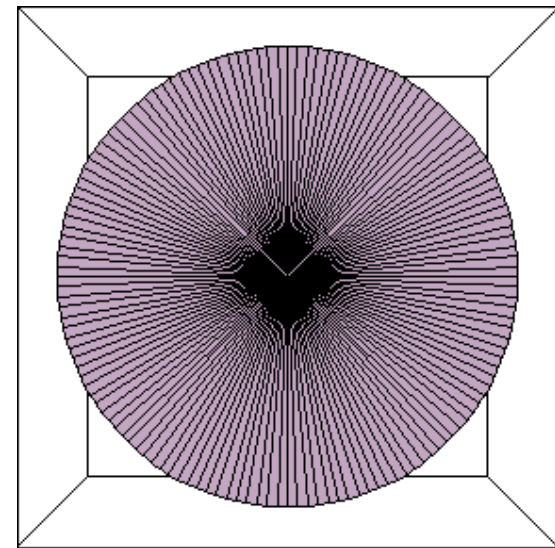
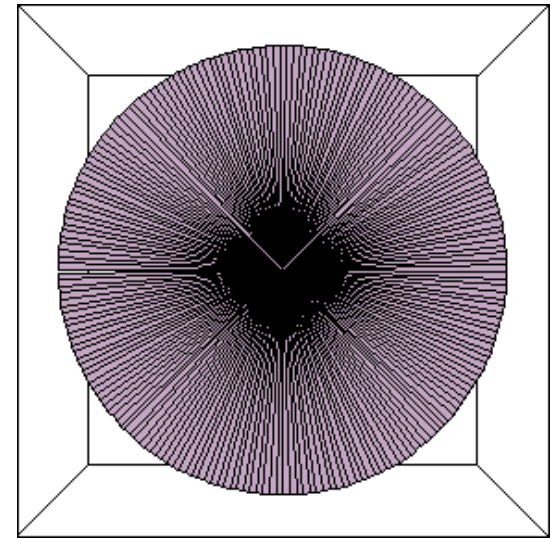
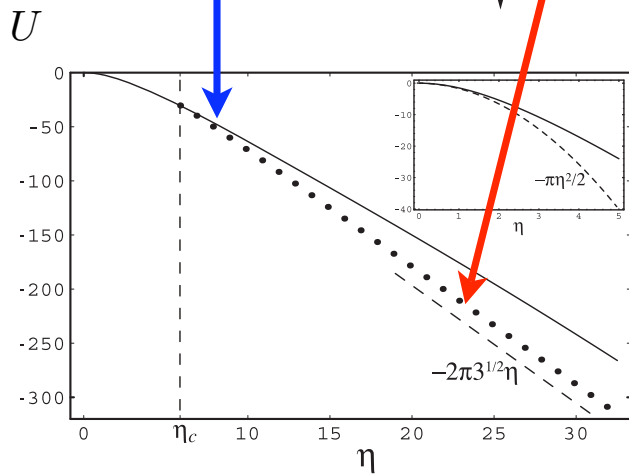
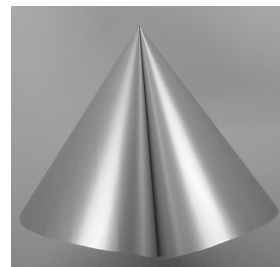
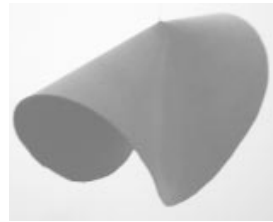
Configurational multi-stability ?

Developable cones ... $\eta = \left(\frac{R}{l_g}\right)^3 / \ln(R/R^*)$

$$\ddot{\kappa} + (a^2 + \kappa^2/2)\kappa = -\eta\kappa \quad f(\text{geometry})$$



observations



Symmetry breaking bifurcations and “catwalk transitions” ?

Crumpling

foil

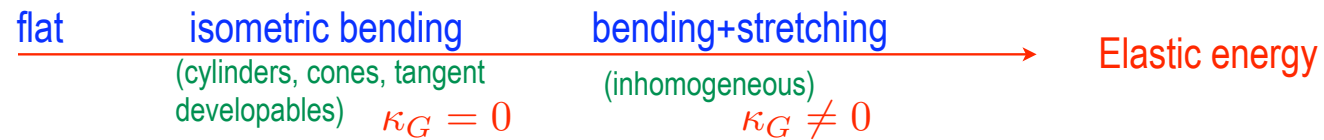


paper



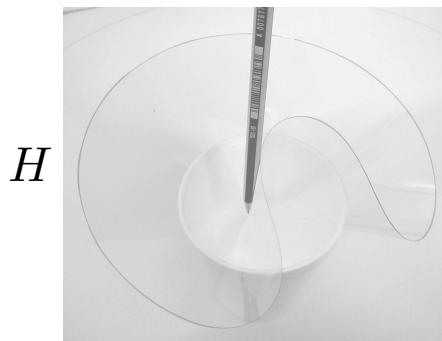
- Q.
1. Description ?
 2. Statics ? Dynamics ?

A.
Minimize energy + constraints...



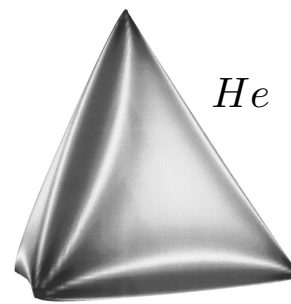
Crumpled surfaces: $\kappa_G = 0$ except along peaks and ridges.

Peaks



$U \sim Et^3 \ln\left(\frac{R}{R^*}\right)$ conical "dislocation"

Ridges

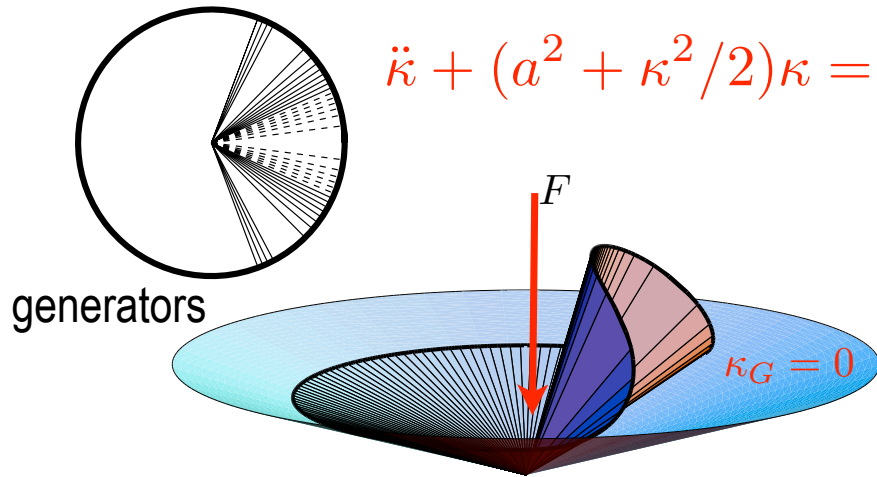


Witten et al. (1995)

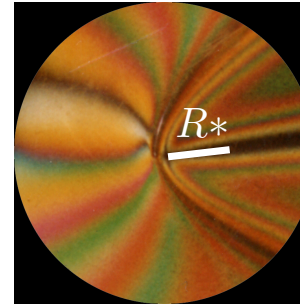
- Q.
1. Structure (shape) of "defects" ?
 2. Response ?
 3. Interaction ? H, He, \dots
 4. Dynamics ?

Analytical (outer) solution *(purely geometric)*

$$\dot{\kappa} + (a^2 + \kappa^2/2)\kappa = 0$$



Core shape/scaling

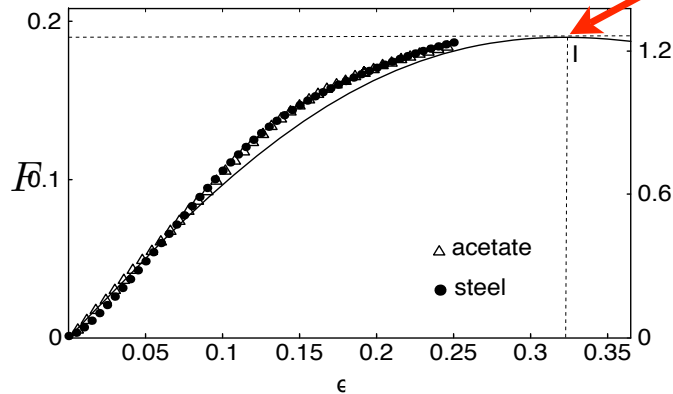


$$R^* \sim t^{1/3} R^{2/3} \epsilon^{-1/3}$$

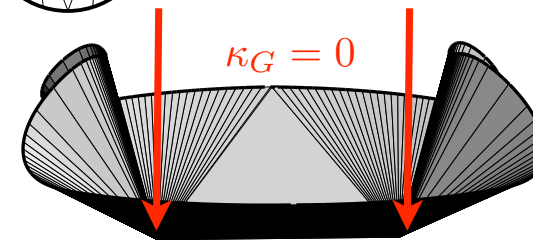
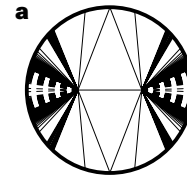
non-isometric
 $\kappa_G \neq 0$

Instability !

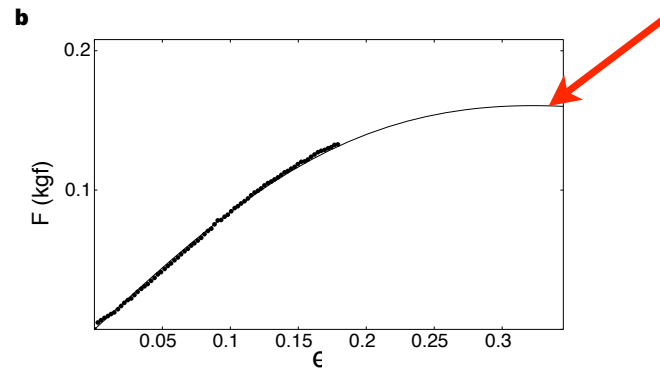
Single defect response ?



Two defects ?



Instability !



1, 2,∞ ?

“Crumpulence” ?

Big crumples fold into little crumples
 That store energy in bending
 And little crumples have lesser crumples
 And so on to stretching

with apologies to Swift/Richardson

Fluids do it too !

LM et al, (Nature, 1998), Skorobogaity, LM (EPL; 2000); Silveira et al (Science, 2000)

Stokes-Rayleigh analogy

Hookean solid

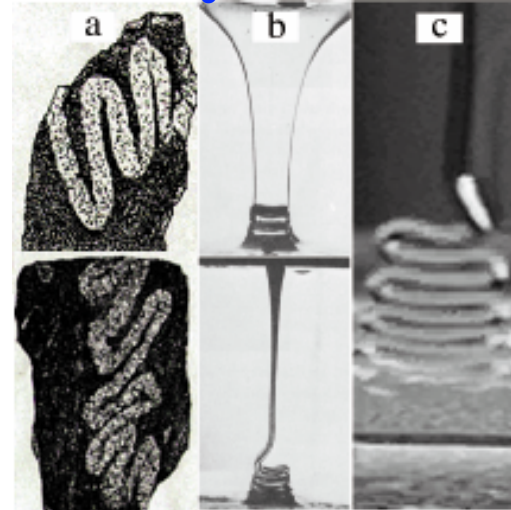
Newtonian fluid

Displacement	Velocity
Strain	Strain rate
Shear modulus	Shear viscosity

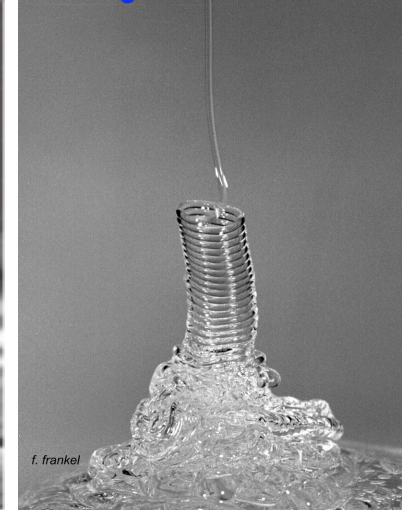
$$+ Ca = \mu U / \sigma \gg 1$$

i.e., free-surfaces are free !

Folding sheets



Coiling filaments

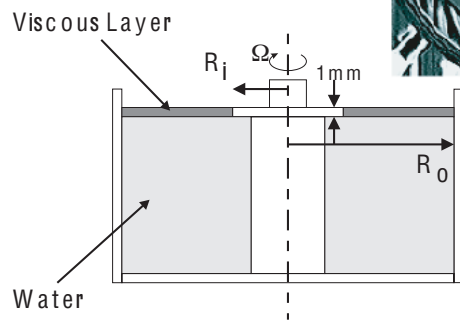


$$l_g \omega \sim U$$

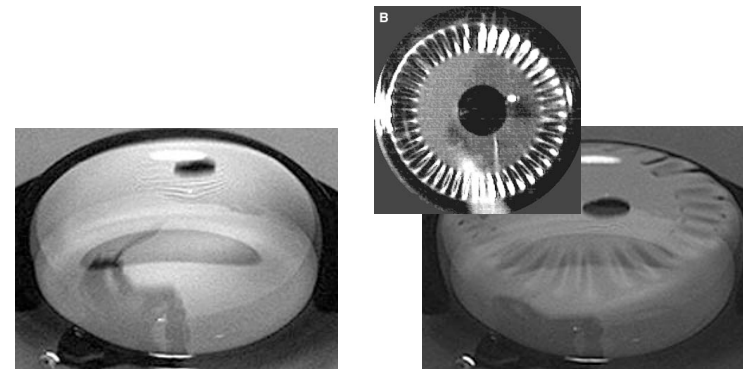
$$l_g \sim \left(\frac{\mu U t^2}{\rho g} \right)^{1/4}$$

elastic analog $l_g \sim \left(\frac{E t^2}{\rho g} \right)^{1/3}$

Wrinkling of a sheared annular film



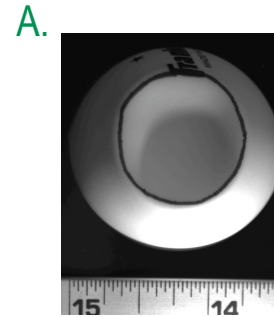
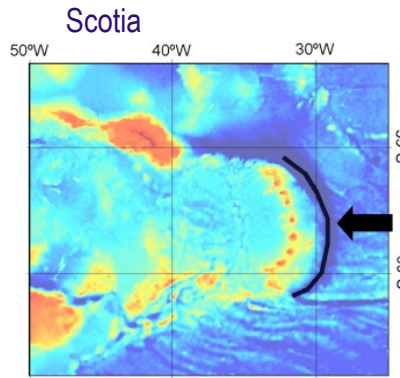
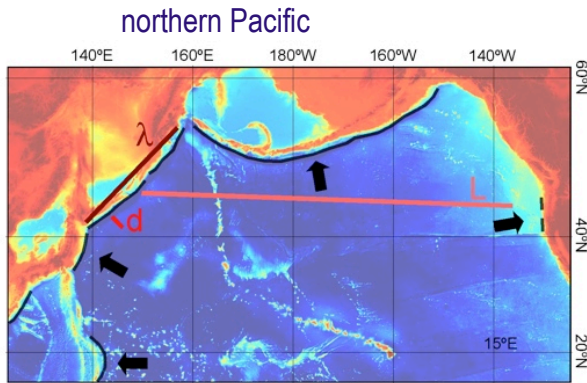
Rippling of a collapsing bubble



Island arcs ? Shellular subduction

$$R/h \sim 6000/60 \sim 100$$

LM, Bendick, Liang (2008)



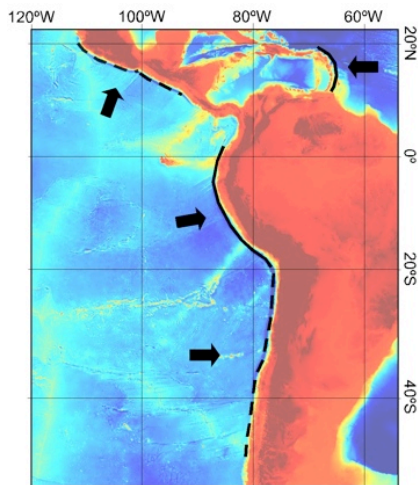
Curvature of Island Arcs

A FLEXIBLE but inextensible thin spherical shell may be bent inwards through an angle θ on and only on a circle whose radius of curvature (expressed in angular measure on the sphere) is $\frac{1}{2}\theta$. This is easily proved with a geometrical construction involving two equal intersecting spheres, and can be demonstrated on a punctured ping-pong ball. This affords a simple explanation of the shape of island arcs and related arcuate geographical structures.

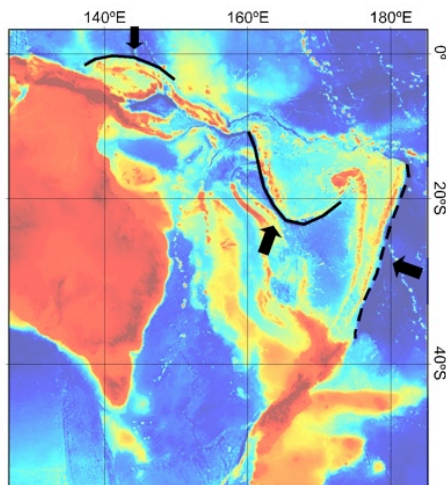
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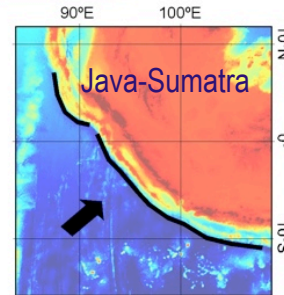
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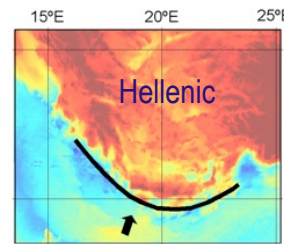
eastern Pacific



southwestern Pacific



Java-Sumatra



Hellenic

No !

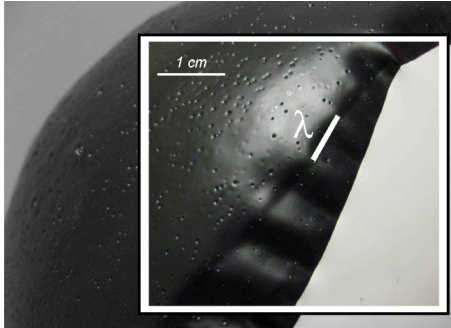
Q.

- Localized deformations ?
- Arc-like ? Straight ?
- Polarity ?

- Incomplete spherical cap
- Finite thickness, complex rheology
- Mantle resists deformation
- Variable buoyancy

Stability of (partially) negatively buoyant lithosphere ?

(Stokes-Rayleigh analogy)



Bendick

- Free edge ... geometrically soft, physically dense.
- Subduction onset - reduction in effective perimeter
- i.e. edge buckling !

Elastic model

$$U_e \sim E_l h_l^3 R \frac{w^2}{\lambda^3} + E_l h_l \frac{w^2}{R} \lambda + \frac{E_m}{H_m} w^2 R \lambda$$

lithosphere bending lithosphere stretching mantle deformation

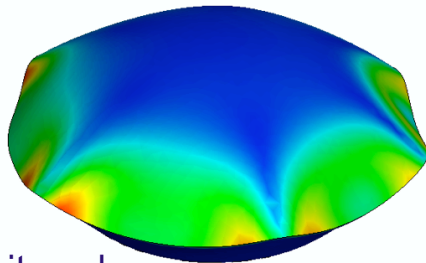
Viscous model

$$\lambda \sim \left(\frac{E_l h_l^3}{\frac{E_m}{H_m} + \frac{E_l h_l}{R^2}} \right)^{1/4}$$

μ_l (pointing to $E_l h_l^3$)
 μ_m (pointing to E_m/H_m)
 μ_l (pointing to $E_l h_l/R^2$)

$$\lambda \sim \left(\frac{\mu_l h_l^3 H_m}{\mu_m} \right)^{1/4} \quad \text{soft / viscous mantle model ...}$$

Liang

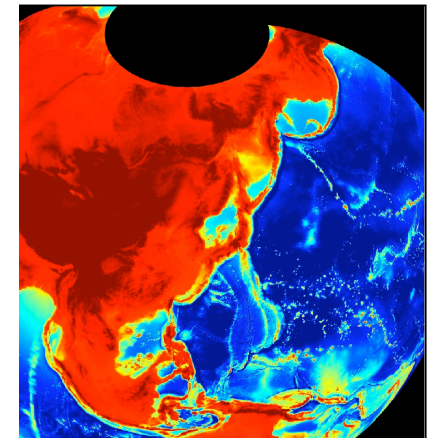


$$\lambda \sim 500 \text{ km}$$

$$n \sim W/\lambda \sim 1 - 5$$

- Polarity - ok
- Localized deformations - ok
- Arc-like ? Straight ? - ok

but subcritical instability -
i.e. heterogeneity dominated ...



Lessons: geometry + simple physics = rich field to mine

Questions:

- Non-Euclidean geometries ?

- Cuts, tears and stitches ?

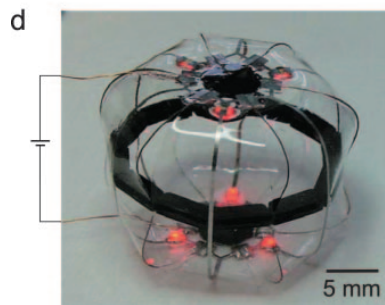
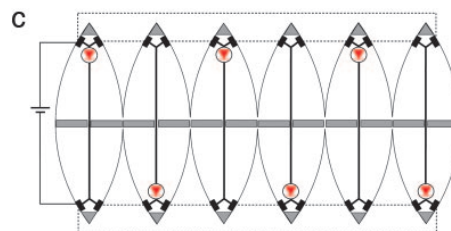
- Dynamics and wave turbulence ?

Crocheted hyperbolic plane



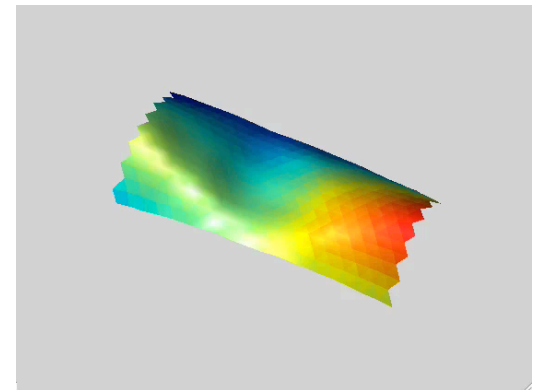
D. Taimina, S. Rowel (2000)

Self assembly in 3D



M. Boncheva et al. (PNAS 2005)

Defect mediated Transitions



Experiment (10000 frames/s) !