

# Convex Integration in Materials Sciences

## Rigidity and Flexibility

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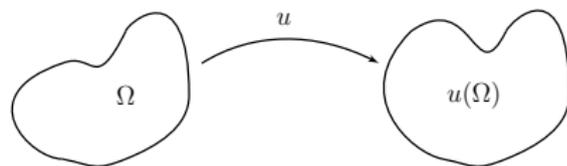
BIRS Workshop on “Convex Integration in PDEs, Geometry, and Variational Calculus”

- ① Quasiconvex Elasticity
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- ⑤ Conclusions

# A Brief Recap of Elasticity

**Hyperelastic materials:** Consider

$$\mathcal{E}(\nabla u) = \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{W(\nabla u)}_{\text{energy density}} dx,$$



for deformations  $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  in suitable class.

$$T_R(A) = D_A W(A)$$

Modelling ingredients that can lead to **mathematical difficulties**:

- ▶ vector-valued calculus of variations,
- ▶ frame indifference,
- ▶ symmetry group of materials,
- ▶ non-interpenetration of matter,
- ▶ ...

Some **basic questions**:

- ▶ Existence and Uniqueness,
- ▶ Regularity,
- ▶ Stability.

# Existence Results

- ▶  $W(A) \rightarrow \infty$ , as  $\det(A) \rightarrow 0^+$ ,
- ▶  $W(A) = \infty$ , if  $\det(A) \leq 0$ .
- ▶ implicit functions [Valent],
- ▶ direct method with  $\mathcal{A} := \{u \in W^{1,1}(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^3) : \mathcal{E}(\nabla u) < \infty, u|_{\partial\Omega_1} = u_0\}$  [Ball].

## Theorem (Ball '77, Müller-Qi-Yan '94)

Let  $W$  satisfy the assumptions

- ▶  $W$  is **polyconvex**, i.e.  $W(A) = g(A, \operatorname{cof}(A), \det(A))$  for all  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$  and  $g$  **convex**,
- ▶  $W(A) \geq c_0(|A|^2 + |\operatorname{cof}(A)|^{3/2}) - c_1$  for all  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ , where  $c_0 > 0$ ,

Then, if  $\mathcal{A} \neq \emptyset$ , there exists a global minimizer  $u^*$  of  $\mathcal{E}$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

# Existence: Polyconvexity vs Quasiconvexity

## Definition

A measurable and bounded below function  $f : \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  is *quasiconvex* at  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  if

$$\int_{\Omega} f(A + \nabla \varphi(x)) dx \geq \int_{\Omega} f(A) dx$$

for all  $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^m)$ .

- ▶ Condition is *independent* of  $\Omega$ .
- ▶ Polyconvexity is strictly stronger than quasiconvexity (Jensen's inequality), quasiconvexity *nonlocal* notion.
- ▶ [Morrey], [Acerbi-Fusco]: Existence results if in addition  $C_1|A|^p - C_0 \leq f(A) \leq C_2(|A|^p + 1)$  for all  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $p > 1$ .

# Uniqueness and Regularity

- ▶ At best partial regularity results [Nečas 77], [Hao-Leonardi-Nečas 96], [Šverák-Yan 00], [Mooney-Savin 15]...
- ▶ [Evans 86], [Kristensen-Taheri 01]: partial regularity for global minimizers of strongly quasiconvex functionals.

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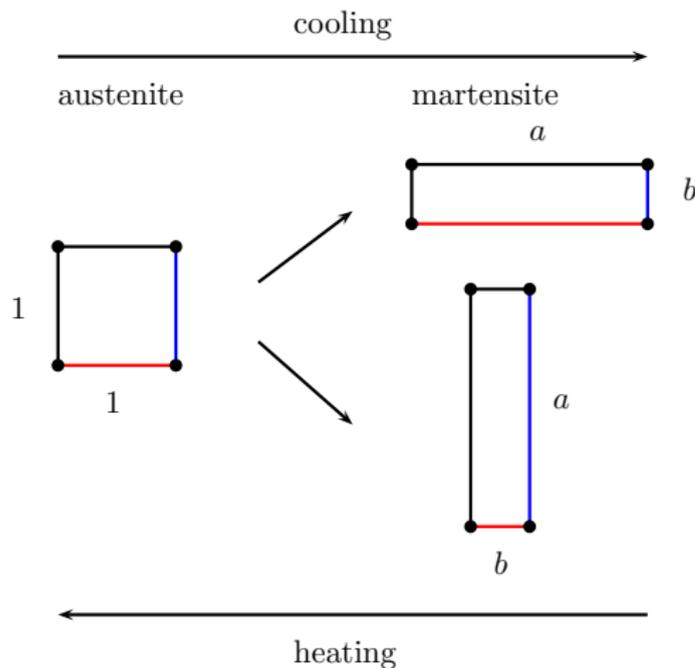
- ▶ Extensions to polyconvex functionals [Székelyhidi], parabolic problems [Müller-Rieger-Šverák].
- ▶ Exploits presence of stable  $T_4$  (respectively  $T_5$  configurations).

## Question

*Does this also happen in equations which are **relevant for elasticity**?*

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# Solid-Solid Phase Transformations in SMA



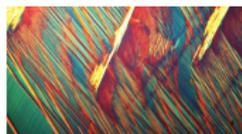
$$SO(2) \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$SO(2) = \{2 \times 2 \text{ rotation matrices}\}$$



crossing twins



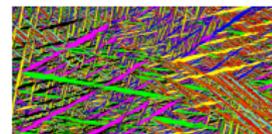
low hysteresis material



aust.-mart. interface



needles

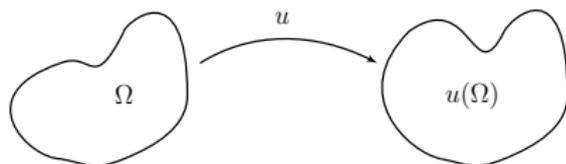


wild microstructures

# The Phenomenological Theory

[Ball & James]: Minimize

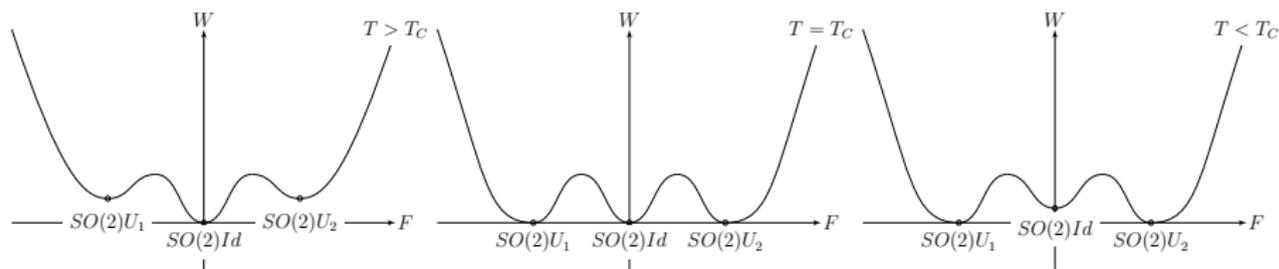
$$\mathcal{E}(\nabla u, T) = \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{W_T(\nabla u)}_{\text{energy density}} dx,$$



for deformations  $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ .

$W_T(QF) = W_T(F)$  for all rotations  $Q$ ,

$W_T(FR) = W_T(F)$  for all material symmetries  $R$ .



# The High Temperature Regime $\nabla u \in SO(2)$

## Theorem (Liouville)

Let  $u \in W^{1,\infty}$  be a solution to  $\nabla u \in SO(n)$ , then  $\nabla u = Q$  for some *fixed*  $Q \in SO(n)$ .

## Theorem (Friesecke-James-Müller)

There exists  $C = C(\Omega) > 0$  and  $Q \in SO(n)$  such that for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$

$$\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u - Q|^p dx \leq C \int_{\Omega} \text{dist}^p(\nabla u, SO(n)) dx.$$

- ▶ Applications to dimension reduction.
- ▶ Extensions to *incompatible* results ([Müller-Scardia-Zepieri], [Luckhaus-Lauteri])  $\rightsquigarrow$  discrete-to-continuum limits [Kitavtsev-Luckhaus-Lauteri-Rüland].

# Lack of Quasiconvexity: The Low Temperature Regimes



There exists  $\{u_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  with  $\nabla u_k \rightharpoonup Id$  such that

$$W(Id) \geq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} W(\nabla u_k).$$

Remedy: **Relaxation**.

## Definition (Gradient Young Measure)

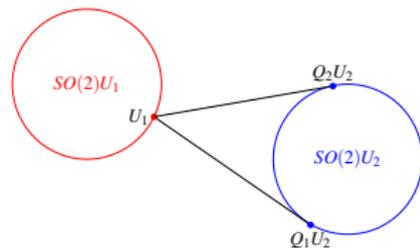
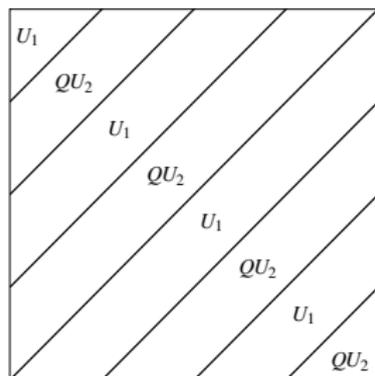
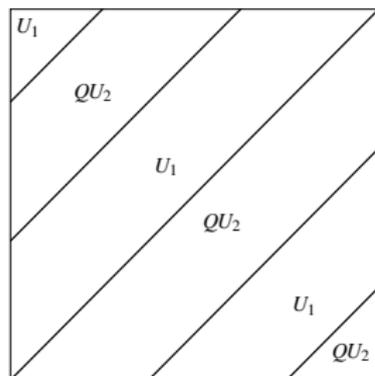
A map  $\nu : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a  $W^{1,p}$  gradient Young measure, if there exists a sequence  $u_j : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  such that

- ▶  $u_j \rightharpoonup u$  in  $W^{1,p}(\Omega)$ ,
- ▶  $\delta_{\nabla u_j} \rightharpoonup \nu$  weak-\* in  $L^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}))$ .

$$\int_{\Omega} f(\nabla u_j) dx \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}} f(A) d\nu_x(A) dx$$

# Existence of Exactly Stress-Free Solutions

$$\nabla u \in SO(2)U_1 \cup SO(2)U_2$$



rank-one connections

$$U_1 - Q_1 U_2 = \sqrt{2} \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2 + b^2} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ -b \end{pmatrix} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q_1 \in SO(2),$$

$$U_1 - Q_2 U_2 = \sqrt{2} \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2 + b^2} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q_2 \in SO(2).$$



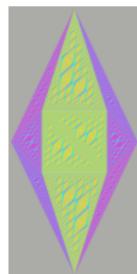
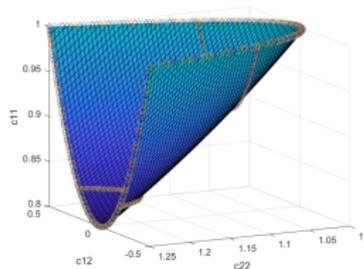
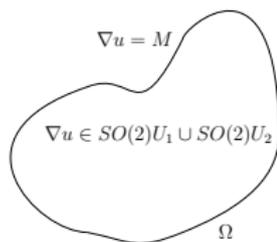
## Theorem

For any  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  and any  $M \in \text{int}(SO(2)U_1 \cup SO(2)U_2)^{lc}$  there exists a deformation  $u$  such that

$$\nabla u \in SO(2)U_1 \cup SO(2)U_2 \text{ a.e. in } \Omega,$$

$$\nabla u = M \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega.$$

- ▶ [Dacorogna-Marcellini]  
(relaxation property & Baire category)
- ▶ [Müller-Šverák]  
(convex integration)



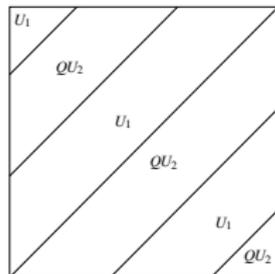
**Q: Are these solutions physically relevant?**

## Theorem (Dolzmann-Müller, Rigidity)

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  with  $\nabla u \in BV(\Omega)$  and

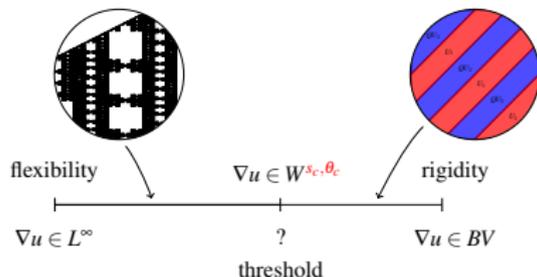
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Then  $\nabla u$  is (locally) a *laminate*.



## Extensions:

- ▶ [Dacorogna-Marcellini-Paolini] ( $O(2)$ ,  $O(n)$ ),
- ▶ [Kirchheim] & [Conti-Dolzmann-Kirchheim] (cubic-to-tetragonal),
- ▶ [R '16] (cubic-to-orthorhombic).



**Q: Is there a threshold behaviour between rigidity and flexibility?**

# Flexibility at Higher Sobolev Regularity

## Theorem (Della Porta-R. '19)

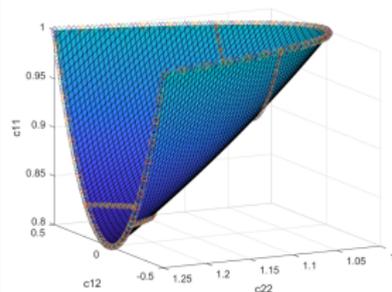
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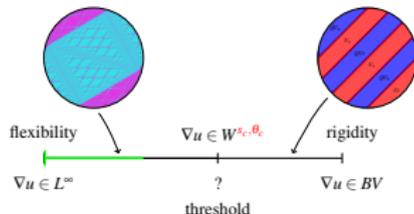
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and for all  $s \in (0, 1)$ ,  $p \in (1, \infty)$  with  $0 < sp < \theta_0$

$$\nabla u \in W^{s,p}(\Omega) \cap L^\infty(\Omega).$$

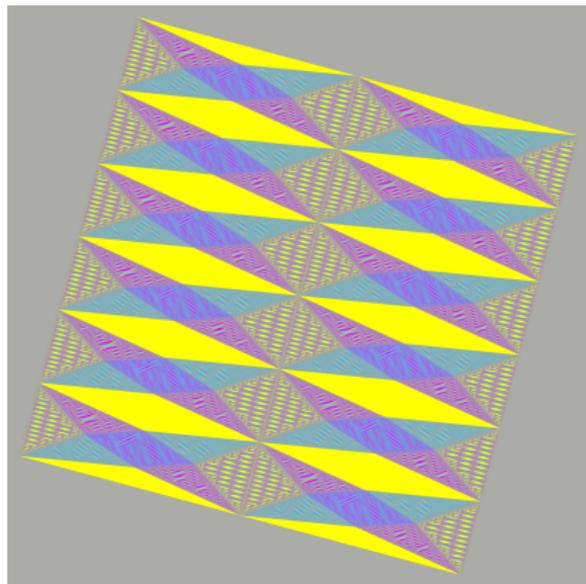


- ▶ Building on [Rüland-Zillinger-Zwicknag].

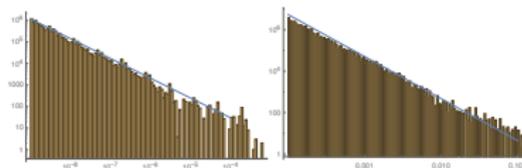
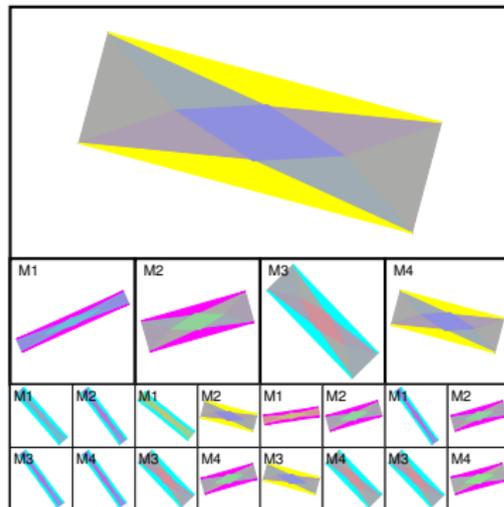


- ▶  $K^{lc} = K^c \cap \{M \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} : \det(M) = 1\} \neq K^c$ ; nonlinear geometry!

# Simulations first Algorithm [R.-Taylor-Zillinger '18]



$$\theta_0 \sim 0.132$$



$$E_\epsilon = \min_{\nabla u = M \text{ a.e. in } \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \bar{\Omega}} \left\{ \int_{\Omega} \text{dist}^2(\nabla u, K) dx + \epsilon^2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla^2 u|^2 dx \right\}.$$

## Theorem (Taylor-R.-Zillinger, J. Nonl. Science '18)

Assume that there exist constants  $C > 1$  such that for all  $\epsilon \in (0, \epsilon_0)$  it holds  $E_\epsilon \geq C\epsilon^{2\mu}$ . Suppose that  $u$  is a solution to

$$\nabla u \in K \text{ a.e. in } \Omega, \quad \nabla u = M \text{ a.e. in } \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \bar{\Omega}.$$

If  $v(x) := u(x) - Mx - b \in H^{s+1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for some  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\nabla v \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $s \leq \mu$ .

[Chan-Conti '14, '15]: Two-well problem,  $M = Id$ , true for  $M \in \partial K^{lc}$ .

# Excursion: Flexibility for $m$ Incompatible Matrices

## Question

**Q:** Are there solutions to the differential inclusion  $\nabla u \in K$  if  $K = \{A_1, \dots, A_m\}$  with affine boundary conditions if  $\text{rk}(A_i - A_j) > 1$  for  $i \neq j$ ?

- ▶ If  $m < 4$ : No!
- ▶ If  $m = 4$ : No, but almost – existence of  $T_4$  deformations, loss of rigidity of approximate solutions.
- ▶ If  $m = 5$ : Yes, [Kirchheim-Preiss], [Pompe].

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

# Nematic Elastomers – Ogden-Type Stored Energy Densities

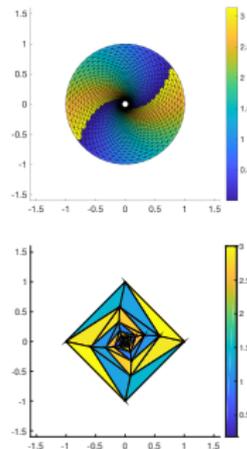
$$W(F) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{c_i}{\gamma_i} \left[ \left( \frac{\lambda_1(F)}{e_1} \right)^{\gamma_i} + \left( \frac{\lambda_2(F)}{e_2} \right)^{\gamma_i} + \left( \frac{\lambda_3(F)}{e_3} \right)^{\gamma_i} - 3 \right], \det(F) = 1$$

## Theorem (Agostiniani-Dal Maso-De Simone)

Let  $v : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $\det(\nabla v) = 1$  and

$$\operatorname{ess\,inf}_{\Omega} \lambda_1(\nabla v) > e_1, \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{\Omega} \lambda_3(\nabla v) < e_3.$$

Then for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $y_{\epsilon} : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  Lipschitz such that  $W(\nabla y_{\epsilon}) = 0$  a.e. in  $\Omega$ ,  $y_{\epsilon} = v$  on  $\partial\Omega$  and  $\|y_{\epsilon} - v\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \leq \epsilon$ .



- ▶ [Cesana-Della Porta-R.-Zillinger-Zwicking]: View as limiting setting of highly symmetric martensitic deformations of low energy.

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# Non-Interpenetration of Matter

## Theorem (Kuomatos-Rindler-Wiedemann)

Let  $p \in (1, n)$  and  $\nu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$  be a  $p$ -Young measure. Then the following are equivalent:

- ▶ There exists a sequence  $\{\nabla u_j\} \subset L^p(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$  which generate  $\nu$  such that  $\det(\nabla u_j) > 0$  a.e. for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- ▶ The following conditions hold:
  - ▶  $\int_{\Omega} \int |A|^p d\nu_x(A) dx < \infty$ ,
  - ▶  $\exists u$  such that  $L^p(\Omega) \ni \nabla u = \int A d\nu_x(A)$  a.e.,
  - ▶ Jensen:  $h(\nabla u(x)) \leq \int h(A) d\nu_x(A)$  for a.e.  $x \in \Omega$  and  $h$  quasiconvex,
  - ▶ for a.e.  $x \in \Omega$  we have  $\text{supp}(\nu_x) \subset \{M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} : \det(M) \geq 0\}$ .
- ▶ [Benešová-Kružík-Patho]: invertible gradient Young measures.
- ▶ Here only **pointwise** constraint. [Henc]: Positivity of Jacobian at low regularity is not necessary for injectivity; rigidity at high regularity.
- ▶ **Difficulty**: Cut-off techniques used in [Pedregal].

# Non-Interpenetration of Matter

## Corollary (Kuomatos-Rindler-Wiedemann)

Let  $u \in W^{1,p}(\Omega)$  with  $p \in (1, n)$ ,  $\det(\nabla u) = 0$ . Then there exists a sequence  $v_j \in W^{1,p}(\Omega)$  such that

- ▶  $v_j \rightarrow u$  in  $W^{1,p}(\Omega)$ ,
- ▶  $v_j|_{\partial\Omega} = u|_{\partial\Omega}$ ,
- ▶ and such that  $\det(\nabla v_j) > 0$ .

- ▶ For  $p > n$  impossible: By Stokes' Theorem

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\Omega} \det(\nabla v_j) dx &= \int_{\Omega} dv_j^1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dv_j^n = \int_{\partial\Omega} v_j^1 \wedge dv_j^2 \wedge \cdots \wedge dv_j^n \\ &= \int_{\partial\Omega} u^1 \wedge du^2 \wedge \cdots \wedge du^n = \int_{\Omega} \det(\nabla u) dx.\end{aligned}$$

# Some Possible Constraints

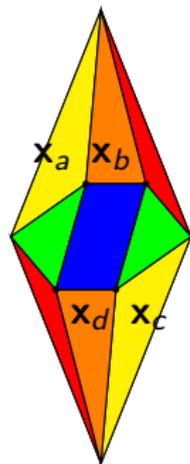
Differential inclusion

$$\nabla u \in K,$$

with  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

Possible constraints:

- ▶ Incompressibility  $\det(\nabla u) = 1$ .
- ▶ Infinitesimal incompressibility  $\text{tr}(\nabla u) = 1$ .
- ▶ Linear restrictions in  $K$ .
- ▶ [DeSimone-Dolzmann]: Nonlinear Magnetoelasticity (nonlinear elasticity + Maxwell-type convex integration result).



## Question

Q: *How many constraints can you impose without losing existence of convex integration solutions?*

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# Monge-Ampère Equations

Nonlinear elastic plates – ansatz for deformation:

$$\phi_\epsilon = id + \epsilon v e_3 + \epsilon^2 w : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3.$$

- ▶  $v$  out-of-plane displacement,
- ▶  $w$  in-plane displacement.

$$\begin{aligned}(\nabla \phi_\epsilon)^T \nabla \phi_\epsilon - Id_2 &= \epsilon^2 A_0 + o(\epsilon^2) \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \nabla v \otimes \nabla v + e(\nabla w) = A_0 \text{ in } \Omega \\ &\Leftrightarrow -\operatorname{curl} \operatorname{curl}(\nabla v \otimes v) = f \text{ in } \Omega \\ &\quad \text{if } -\operatorname{curl} \operatorname{curl}(A_0) = f.\end{aligned}$$

Very weak Hessian  $\mathcal{D}et(\nabla^2 v) := -\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{curl} \operatorname{curl}(\nabla v \otimes \nabla v) = f$ .

## Theorem

Let  $f \in L^{\frac{7}{6}}(\Omega)$ ,  $\alpha < \frac{1}{7}$ . Then the set of  $C^{1,\alpha}(\overline{\Omega})$  solutions to  $\mathcal{D}et(\nabla^2 v) = f$  is dense in  $C^0(\overline{\Omega})$ .

# Folding, Crumpling and Origami

$$\nabla u \in O(3,2)$$

$$:= \{M \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2} : M^T M = Id\}.$$

- ▶ [Conti-Maggi]: Study of the confinement problem  
( $u(\Omega) \subset B_r(0)$ ,  $0 < r \ll r_{cri}$ ):  
Scaling laws and density of origami constructions in short maps.



$$E_h(\psi, \Omega) := \frac{1}{h} \int_{\Omega \times (0, h)} W(\nabla \psi(x, y, z)) dx dy dz.$$

- ▶  $W(QF) = W(F)$ ,
- ▶  $c \operatorname{dist}^2(F, SO(3)) \leq W(F)$ ,
- ▶  $W(F) \leq C \operatorname{dist}^2(F, SO(3))$ .

“energy per unit thickness”

# Folding, Crumpling and Origami

$$I_h(u, \Omega)$$

$$:= \int_{\Omega} \left( |\nabla u^T \nabla u - Id_2|^2 + h^2 |\nabla^2 u|^2 \right) dx dy.$$



## Theorem (Conti-Maggi)

Let  $\alpha \in (0, 5/3)$ . For any short map  $u \in W^{1,\infty}(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^3)$  and  $h_k \rightarrow 0$  there exists a sequence of deformations converging to  $u$  uniformly

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} h_k^{-\alpha} E_{h_k}(\psi_k, \Omega) = 0.$$

- ▶ Also: **upper** bounds for origami maps; relevance of convex integration schemes in order to reduce to subclass of origami structures.
- ▶ **Conjecture**:  $h^{\frac{5}{3}}$  is the scaling law for the problem.

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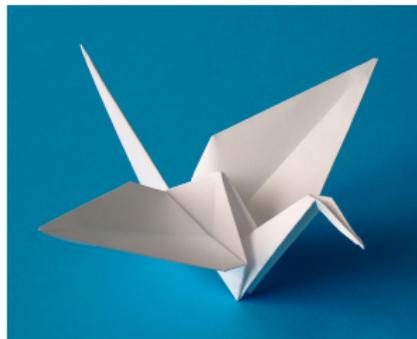
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$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} h_k^{-\alpha} E_{h_k}(\psi_k, \Omega) = 0.$$

A lot of recent work in materials science community on obtaining special origami structures and classifying these, e.g. [\[Feng-Plucinski-James\]](#) “Helical Miura Origami”.

# Conclusions

- ▶ Convex integration produces surprising exact solutions in non-quasiconvex settings (SMA, nematic elastomers, thin sheets).
- ▶ Certain constraints can be dealt with.
- ▶ Possibly shows that models have to be augmented with additional structure.



## Questions

**(Q1)** *Physical relevance of convex integration in materials?  
Experimental observations?*

**(Q2)** *Selection mechanisms to distinguish plethora of “unphysical”  
from physical solutions?*

**(Q3)** *Useful in materials design (e.g. origami type structures)?*