

ME 470: Mechanics of Soft and biological matter.

LECTURE 11: VESICLE SHAPE.

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- NUMERICAL METHODS

4.9. VESICLE SHAPE

GOAL: WHAT IS EQUILIBRIUM SHAPE OF VESICLE UNDER DIFFERENT CONDITIONS?

$$U_{\min} = \frac{1}{2} k_b \iint (2H)^2 dA + k_g \iint K_g dA \Rightarrow \delta U_{\min} = 0$$

MINIMIZE? → MODE ANALYSIS (FEW PARAMETERS)
→ SHAPE EXPANSION (MANY PARAMETERS)
→ VARIATIONAL CALCULUS (∞ PARAMETERS)
→ NUMERICAL METHODS

4.9.1. MODE ANALYSIS

IDENTIFY EASY-TO PARAMETRIZE "CARICATURES" OF VESICLE SHAPES, DETERMINE $\bar{U}_{\text{tot}}$ AS FUNCTION OF EXTERNAL PARAMETER. HERE

REDUCED VOLUME.

$$V = \frac{V_{\text{vesicle}}}{V_{\text{SPHERE OF EQUAL AREA}}}$$

(b/c $A = \text{CONST}$ NO STRETCH, $\bar{U}_{\text{tot}} = \bar{U}_{\text{bend}}$)

MORE EXPLICITLY,

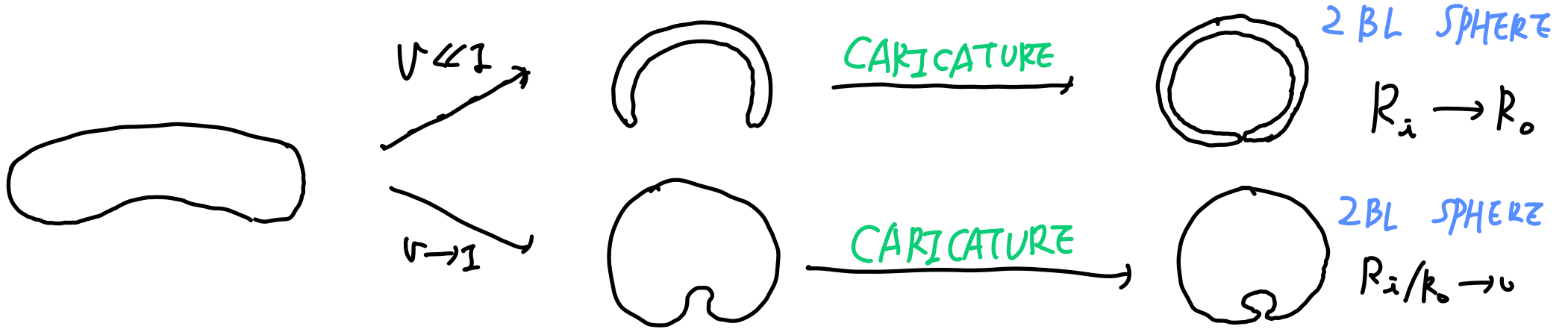
$$V_{\text{vesicle}} = V$$

$$V_{\text{sph}} = \frac{4\pi}{3} R^3 \underset{\uparrow}{=} \frac{4\pi}{3} \left(\frac{A}{4\pi} \right)^{3/2} = \frac{A^{3/2}}{6\sqrt{\pi}} \Rightarrow V = 6\sqrt{\pi} \frac{V}{A^{3/2}}$$

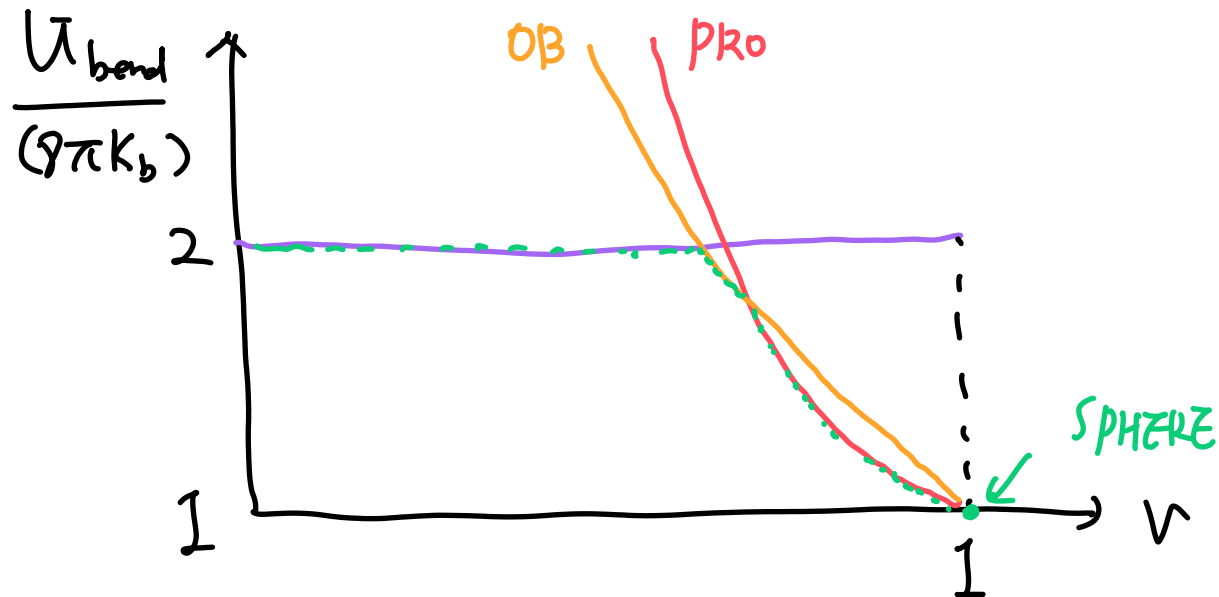
$$(A = 4\pi R^2)$$

$$V \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow \text{SPHERE}$$

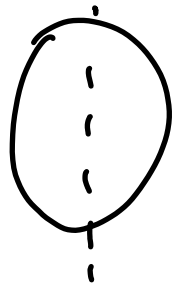
(1) "RBC STOMATOCYTES"



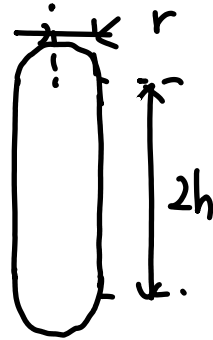
$\Rightarrow U_{\text{bend}}(v) = 2 \cdot 8\pi k_b$ [NEGLECT CONSTANT K_G CONTRIBUTION, $g=0$ ALWAYS]



(2) "PROLATE SPHEROIDS"



CARICATURE



SPHERO CYLINDER

$$V = \frac{4\pi r^3}{3} + \pi r^2 \cdot 2h = \frac{4\pi}{3} r^3 \left(1 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{h}{r}\right)$$

$$A = 4\pi r^2 + 2\pi r \cdot 2h = 4\pi r^2 \left(1 + \frac{h}{r}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow V = 6\sqrt{\pi} \cdot \frac{\frac{4\pi}{3} r^3 \left(1 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{h}{r}\right)}{(4\pi r^2)^{3/2} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{h}{r}\right)^{3/2}} = \frac{1 + \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{h}{r}}{\left(1 + \frac{h}{r}\right)^{3/2}} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{1 + \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{h}{r}}{\left(1 + \frac{h}{r}\right)^{3/2}}} \right\} U_{\text{bend}}(v)$$

$$U_{\text{bend}} = 8\pi K_b + \frac{1}{2} K_b \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^2 \cdot 2\pi r \cdot 2h = 8\pi K_b \left(1 + \frac{h}{4r}\right)$$

ASYMPTOTE: $v \rightarrow 1, \quad \left(\frac{h}{r} \rightarrow 0\right)$

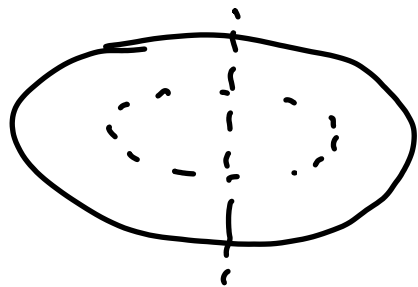
$$\Rightarrow v \simeq 1 - \frac{3}{8} \left(\frac{h}{r}\right)^2 + \text{H.O.T} \Rightarrow \frac{h}{r} = \left[\frac{8}{3} (1-v)\right]^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow U_{\text{bend}} \simeq 8\pi k_b \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{3}} \cdot \sqrt{1-v}\right)$$

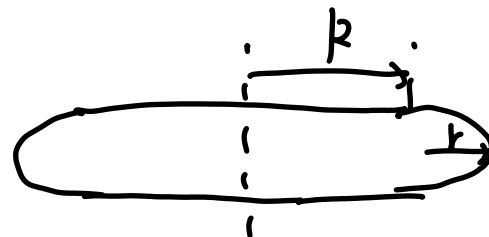
$$v \rightarrow 0 \quad \left(\frac{h}{r} \gg 1\right) \quad v \simeq \frac{\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{h}{r}}{\left(\frac{h}{r}\right)^{3/2}} = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{r}{h}\right)^{1/2} \Rightarrow \frac{h}{r} = \frac{9}{4v^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow U_{\text{bend}} \simeq 8\pi k_b \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{9}{4v^2} = \frac{9\pi}{2} k_b \cdot \frac{1}{v^2}$$

(3) "OBLATE SPHEROID"



CARICATURE



"PANCAKE"

$$\bar{U}_{\text{bend}} \simeq \frac{1}{2} K_b \left(\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{r} \right)^2 \cdot \pi r \cdot 2\pi R = \pi^2 K_b R r \cdot \left(\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{r} \right)^2$$

$$V = \pi R^2 \cdot 2r + \frac{\pi r^2}{2} \cdot 2\pi R = 2\pi r R^2 \left(1 + \frac{\pi r}{2R} \right)$$

$$A = 2\pi R^2 + \pi r \cdot (2\pi R) = 2\pi R^2 \left(1 + \pi \cdot \frac{r}{R} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow V = 6\sqrt{\pi} \cdot \frac{2\pi R^2 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{\pi r}{2R} \right)}{(2\pi R^2)^{3/2} \left(1 + \pi \frac{r}{R} \right)^{3/2}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{r}{R} \cdot \frac{1 + \frac{\pi r}{2R}}{\left(1 + \frac{\pi r}{R} \right)^{3/2}}$$

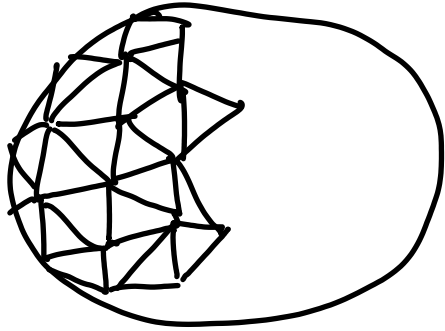
LIMIT

$$r \rightarrow 0: \quad V = \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{r}{R} + \text{H.O.T}$$

$$\underline{\bar{U}_{\text{bend}}} \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 0} \pi^2 K_b \frac{R}{r} = \underline{\frac{6\pi^2}{\sqrt{2}} K_b \cdot \frac{1}{r}}$$

4.9.2. NUMERICAL COMPUTATION.

ONE CAN DISCRETIZE SURFACE AS A COLLECTION OF TRIANGLES
 $\Rightarrow$ MESHING THE SURFACE.



· IMPLEMENT DIFFERENT ENERGY CONTRIBUTION. - BENDING

· ALSO, IMPOSE CONSTRAINTS USING LAGRANGE MULTIPLIER. - REDUCED VOLUME, SURFACE AREA

$\Rightarrow$ FROM INITIAL CONFIGURATION, MINIMIZE ENERGY USING ANNEALING ALGORITHM (STEEPEST DESCENT, CONJUGATE GRADIENT)

4.9.3 VARIATIONAL ANALYSIS

UP TO NOW, WE MINIMIZE U W.R.T A FINITE NUMBER OF PARAMETERS β_i

$$dU=0 \iff \frac{\partial U}{\partial \beta_i} = 0 \quad \forall i$$

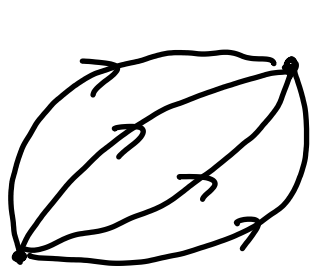
BUT, IN GENERAL, MINIMIZATION W.R.T SHAPE HAS ∞ LY MANY DEGREES OF FREEDOM:

U IS A FUNCTIONAL OF THE SHAPE, WHICH ITSELF IS A FUNCTION OF COORDINATES. e.g) $\mathcal{F}(x, y)$

HERE, $U_{\text{bend}}[H, K_G] = U_{\text{bend}}(\mathcal{F}_x, \mathcal{F}_y, \mathcal{F}_{xx}, \mathcal{F}_{xy}, \mathcal{F}_{yy})$

WE NEED A METHOD FOR SYSTEMATIC MINIMIZATION OF FUNCTIONALS

! VARIATIONAL CALCULUS. (EULER-LAGRANGE MECHANICS)



$$\vec{x}'(t_1) = \vec{x}_1$$

POINT OBJECT MOVES FROM $\vec{x}_0$ TO $\vec{x}_1$ IN $[t_0, t_1]$ UNDER INFLUENCE OF A CLASSICAL POTENTIAL $U(\vec{x})$

$$\vec{x}'(t=t_0) = \vec{x}_0$$

⇒ MINIMIZATION PRINCIPLE: MINIMIZING FUNCTIONAL

ACTION $\rightarrow S \equiv \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathcal{L} dt$ EL DENSITY

CLASSICAL MECHANICS. $\mathcal{L} = T - U = \frac{1}{2} m \cdot \dot{\vec{x}}^2 - U(\vec{x}) = \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}})$

$\uparrow$ KINETIC ENERGY $\uparrow$ POINT MASS

THEOREM S IS MINIMUM IF AND ONLY IF $\mathcal{L}$ SATISFIES

$$\vec{\nabla}_{\vec{x}} \mathcal{L} - \frac{d}{dt} \vec{\nabla}_{\dot{x}} \mathcal{L} = 0$$

EULER-LAGRANGE FORMULA

$$\Rightarrow \text{HERE: } -\vec{\nabla} U - \frac{d}{dt} (m\dot{\vec{x}}) = 0 \iff [m\ddot{\vec{x}} = -\vec{\nabla} U = \vec{F}]$$

WHY DOES EL MINIMIZE S ? CHECK IF VALUE OF S IS
STATIONARY FOR A GIVEN PATH $\vec{x}'(t)$!

$$S[\vec{x}] = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}}) dt$$

VARIATION.

$$\delta S = S[\vec{x} + \vec{\epsilon}] - S[\vec{x}]$$

↑ ARBITRARY EXCEPT $\vec{\epsilon}'(t_0) = \vec{\epsilon}'(t_1) = 0$

$$= \int_{t_0}^{t_1} (\mathcal{L}(\vec{x} + \vec{\epsilon}, \dot{\vec{x}} + \dot{\vec{\epsilon}}) - \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}})) dt$$

EXPAND

$$= \int_{t_0}^{t_1} (\cancel{\mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}})} + \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{\vec{x}} \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}}) + \dot{\vec{\epsilon}} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{\dot{\vec{x}}} \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}}) - \cancel{\mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}})}) dt$$

$$\delta S = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{\vec{x}} \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}}) dt$$

INTEGRATION
BY
PART

$$+ \left[\vec{\epsilon} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{\dot{\vec{x}}} \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}}) \right]_{t_0}^{t_1} - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \vec{\nabla}_{\dot{\vec{x}}} \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}}) dt$$

$$= \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \vec{\epsilon} \cdot \left[\vec{\nabla}_{\vec{x}} \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}}) - \frac{d}{dt} \vec{\nabla}_{\dot{\vec{x}}} \mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, \dot{\vec{x}}) \right] dt = 0$$

↑
ARBITRARY

MUST BE ZERO $\Rightarrow$ EL

GENERALIZATION TO MEMBRANES OR PLATES

$$U_{\min} = \iint f(\varphi, \varphi_x, \varphi_y, \varphi_{xx}, \varphi_{xy}, \varphi_{yy}) dx dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial \varphi} - \frac{d}{dx} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varphi_x} - \frac{d}{dy} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varphi_y} + \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varphi_{xx}} + \frac{d^2}{dy^2} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varphi_{yy}} + \frac{d^2}{dxdy} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varphi_{xy}} \right] = 0$$

FOR MINIMAL ENERGY FUNCTIONAL.

$$U_b = \frac{1}{2} K_b \iint (\varphi_{xx} + \varphi_{yy})^2 dx dy$$

$$\Rightarrow K_b \left[\frac{d^2}{dx^2} (\varphi_{xx} + \varphi_{yy}) + \frac{d^2}{dy^2} (\varphi_{xx} + \varphi_{yy}) \right] = K_b \nabla^2 \cdot (\nabla^2 \varphi) = K_b \nabla^4 \varphi = 0$$

↓ LAPLACIAN OPERATOR
↑ BIHARMONIC OPERATOR

$$K_b \nabla^4 \varphi - \sigma = 0$$

PLATE EQUATION.

