

# ME470: Problem sheet 3 - 2D network structure - correction

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## 1 A first look at rubber

Treat rubber as a 3d isotropic homogeneous linear elastic material.

a)

$$\nu = \frac{3K - 2\mu}{6K + 2\mu} = \frac{3K - \frac{1}{5000}\mu}{6K + \frac{1}{5000}\mu} = 0.49995$$

incompressible, no volume change

b)

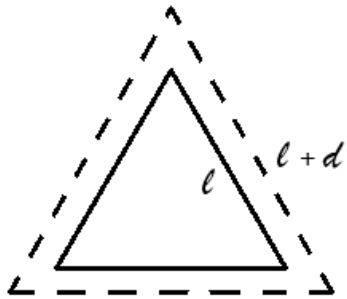
$$E = \frac{9K\mu}{3K + \mu} = \frac{\frac{9}{10000}K^2}{3K + \frac{K}{10000}} = \frac{9}{30001}K$$

easy to extend, but hard to change volume

## 2 Pre-stressed triangular network

a) Consider a triangular lattice where each bond between neighboring particles behaves like a spring with spring constant  $k_{sp}$  and rest length  $l_0$ .

For a uniform expansion, the variation of elastic energy stored in each bond is:



$$\Delta E_{elastic} = \frac{1}{2}k_{sp} \left( (l + d - l_0)^2 - (l - l_0)^2 \right) \frac{1}{2} \quad (1)$$

The work done by the pre-stress during a small extension  $\Delta A$  of the area of the plaquette is:

$$W_{pre-stress} = \tau \Delta A = \tau \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}(l + d)^2 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}l^2 \right) \quad (2)$$

So the enthalpy variation is:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta H &= \frac{3}{2} * \frac{1}{2} k_{sp} ((l + d - l_0)^2 - (l - l_0)^2) - \tau \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} (l + d)^2 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} l^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{3}{4} k_{sp} [2d(l - l_0) + d^2] - \tau \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} [2ld - d^2]\end{aligned}\quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta h &= \frac{\Delta H}{(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} l^2)} \\ &= \sqrt{3} k_{sp} \left( 2 \frac{d}{l} \frac{l - l_0}{l} + \left( \frac{d}{l} \right)^2 \right) - \tau \left( 2 \frac{d}{l} + \left( \frac{d}{l} \right)^2 \right) \\ &= \sqrt{3} k_{sp} \left( 2 \frac{d}{l} \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{3} k_{sp}} + \left( \frac{d}{l} \right)^2 \right) - \tau \left( 2 \frac{d}{l} + \left( \frac{d}{l} \right)^2 \right)\end{aligned}\quad (4)$$

Because at equilibrium  $\frac{l - l_0}{l} = \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{3} k_{sp}}$

So,

$$\Delta h = \sqrt{3} k_{sp} \left( 1 - \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{3} k_{sp}} \right) \left( \frac{d}{l} \right)^2 \quad (5)$$

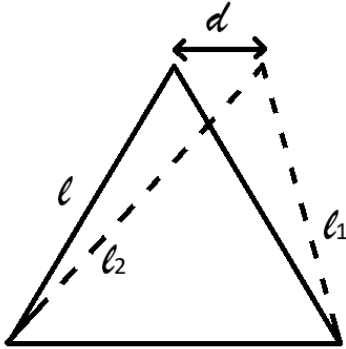
The strain energy density is:

$$\Delta h = 2K_A \left( \frac{d}{l} \right)^2 \quad (6)$$

Therefore, with Eq.4 and Eq. 6, we get:

$$K_A = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} k_{sp} \left( 1 - \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{3} k_{sp}} \right) \quad (7)$$

b) To compute the shear modulus  $\mu_A$  for a pre-stressed triangular lattice, we'll follow a similar approach as we did for the bulk modulus  $K_A$ , but this time considering the system under simple shear deformation. We expand for  $d \ll l$



$$\begin{aligned}l_1 &\approx l - \frac{d}{2} + \frac{3d^2}{8l} \\ l_2 &\approx l + \frac{d}{2} + \frac{3d^2}{8l}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta H &= \frac{1}{2} k_{sp} \left[ \left( l - \frac{d}{2} + \frac{3d^2}{8l} - l_0 \right)^2 + \left( l + \frac{d}{2} + \frac{3d^2}{8l} - l_0 \right)^2 - 2(l - l_0)^2 \right] \frac{1}{2} \\ &\approx \frac{k_{sp}}{8} \left( 1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}\tau}{k_{sp}} \right) d^2\end{aligned}\quad (9)$$

So

$$\Delta h = \frac{k_{sp}}{2\sqrt{3}} \left( 1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}\tau}{k_{sp}} \right) \left( \frac{d}{l} \right)^2 \quad (10)$$

Moreover, the strain energy is:

$$\Delta h = 2\mu_A \epsilon_{xy}^2 = \frac{2}{3}\mu_A \left( \frac{d}{l} \right)^2 \quad (11)$$

Therefore, with Eq.10 and Eq. 11, we get:

$$\mu_A = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} k_{sp} \left( 1 + \frac{3\tau}{k_{sp}} \right) \quad (12)$$

### 3 Poisson ratio of triangular lattice

a)

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_A &= \frac{K_A - \mu_A}{K_A + \mu_A} \\ &= \frac{2 \left( 1 - \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{3}k_{sp}} \right) - \left( 1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}\tau}{k_{sp}} \right)}{2 \left( 1 - \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{3}k_{sp}} \right) + \left( 1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}\tau}{k_{sp}} \right)} \\ &= \frac{1 - \frac{5\sqrt{3}\tau}{3k_{sp}}}{3 + \frac{\sqrt{3}\tau}{k_{sp}}} \end{aligned}$$

b)  $\nu_A < 0$  if  $1 - \frac{5\sqrt{3}\tau}{3k_{sp}} < 0$ , hence if  $\tau > \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5}k_{sp}$ .

c) at zero  $\tau$ ,  $\mu_A = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}k_{sp}$ .  $\nu_A < 0$  if

$$\tau > \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5}k_{sp} = \frac{4}{5}\mu_A = 4 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{J/m}^2$$