

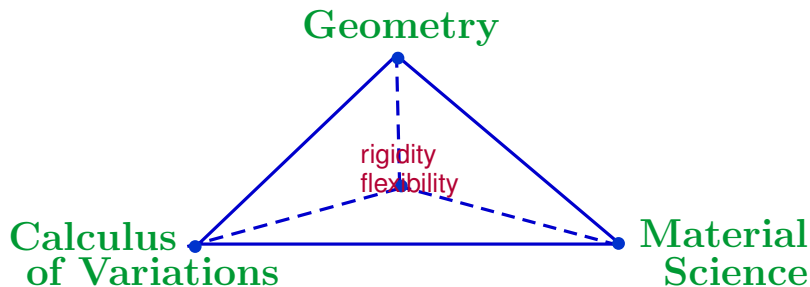
# Prestrained Elasticity: Curvature Constraints and Differential Geometry with Low Regularity

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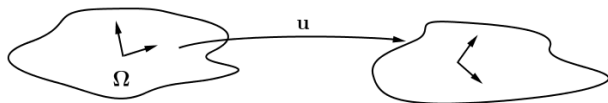
**Key connection:** Rigidity and flexibility of solutions to nonlinear problems at low regularity

**Key role:** Energy functional in the description of elastic materials with residual stress at free equilibria

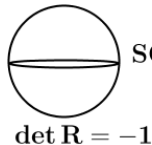
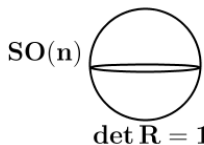
# An old story: isometric immersions (equidimensional)

Assume that  $u : \mathbb{R}^n \supset \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies:  $\nabla u(x)^T \nabla u(x) = Id_n$

- **Equation of isometric immersion:**  $\langle \partial_i u, \partial_j u \rangle = \delta_{ij} = \langle e_i, e_j \rangle$   
(For  $u \in C^1$ , this is equivalent to  $u$  preserving length of curves)



- Equivalent to:  $\nabla u \in O(n) = \{R; R^T R = Id\} = SO(n) \cup SO(n)J$



$$J = \text{diag}\{-1, 1, \dots, 1\}$$

- **Liouville (1850), Reshetnyak (1967):**  $u \in W^{1,\infty}$  and  $\nabla u \in SO(n)$  a.e. in  $\Omega \Rightarrow \nabla u \equiv \text{const} \Rightarrow u(x) = Rx + b$  **rigid motion**
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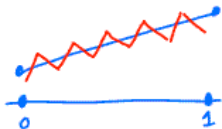
- **Friesecke-James-Muller (2006)**: Rigidity estimate:

$$\forall u \in W^{1,2} \quad \exists R \in SO(n) \quad \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u - R|^2 \leq C_{\Omega} \int_{\Omega} \text{dist}^2(\nabla u, SO(n))$$

- **Gromov (1973)**: Convex integration:

$\exists u \in W^{1,\infty}$  such that  $(\nabla u)^T \nabla u = Id$  a.e. in  $\Omega$ , and  $\nabla u$  takes values in  $SO(n)$  and in  $SO(n)J$ , in every open  $U \subset \Omega$ .

Even more:  $\exists u$  arbitrarily close to any  $u_0$  with  $0 < (\nabla u_0)^T \nabla u_0 < Id$



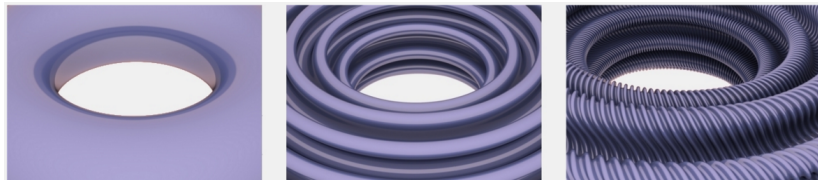
Example:

Given  $u_0 : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $(u_0')^2 < 1$

want:  $u_k \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} u_0$  with  $(u_k')^2 = 1$

more oscillations as  $k \rightarrow \infty$

# Isometric immersions of Riemann manifold $(\Omega, G)$



*Hevea project: Inst. Camille Jordan, Lab J. Kuntzmann, Gipsa-Lab (France)*

Let  $G \in C^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{R}_{sym,+}^{n \times n})$ . Look for  $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  so that  $(\nabla u)^T \nabla u = G$  in  $\Omega$

## Theorem (Gromov 1986)

*Let  $u_0 : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be smooth short immersion, i.e.:  $0 < (\nabla u_0)^T \nabla u_0 < G$  in  $\Omega$ . Then:  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists u \in W^{1,\infty} \quad \|u - u_0\|_{C^0} < \varepsilon$  and  $(\nabla u)^T \nabla u = G$ .*

## Theorem (Myers-Steenrod 1939, Calabi-Hartman 1970)

*Let  $u \in W^{1,\infty}$  satisfy  $(\nabla u)^T \nabla u = G$  and  $\det \nabla u > 0$  a.e. in  $\Omega$ . (For example,  $u \in C^1$  enough). Then  $\Delta_G u = 0$  and so  $u$  is smooth. In fact,  $u$  is unique up to rigid motions, and:  $\exists u \Leftrightarrow \text{Riem}(G) \equiv 0$  in  $\Omega$ .*



$$\text{Energy } E(u) = \int_{\Omega} W(\nabla u(x), \theta) dx$$

$u : \mathbb{R}^3 \supset \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  deformation;  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  temperature;  $W$  energy density

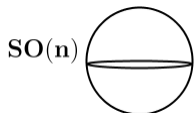
- Given  $\theta$ , find  $u$  minimizing  $E$ , under some boundary conditions  
First attempt: look for  $\nabla u \in \text{energy well } \mathcal{K}(\theta)$  (change of shape in crystal lattice)

- Ball-James (1987)**:  $u \in W^{1,\infty}$  and  $\nabla u \in \mathcal{K} = \{A, B\}$  a.e. in  $\Omega$ .

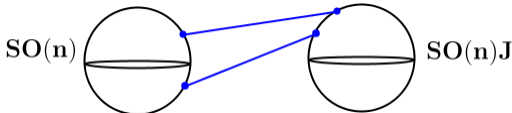
Then: (i)  $\text{rank}(B - A) \geq 2 \Rightarrow \nabla u \equiv A$  or  $\nabla u \equiv B$

(ii)  $B - A = \mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{n} \Rightarrow$  laminate pattern of the form:

$$u(x) = Ax + f(\langle x, \mathbf{n} \rangle) \mathbf{a} + c \text{ where } f' \in \{0, 1\} \text{ a.e.}$$



no rank-1 connections!



many rank-1 connections!

*Remark: 4 matrices, no rank-1 connections  $\Rightarrow$  rigidity BUT: 5 matrices, no rank-1 connections may admit flexible solutions! (Chlebik, Kirchheim, Preiss)*

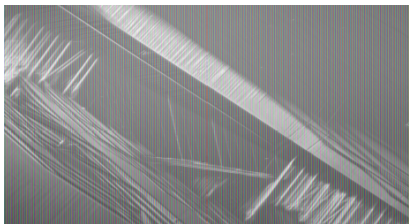
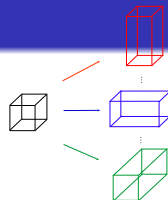
# Martensitic phase transformation

$$\text{Energy } E(u) = \int_{\Omega} W(\nabla u(x), \theta) dx$$

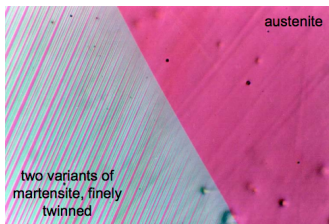
Energy well structure in  $Zn_{45}Au_{30}Cu_{25}$ :  $W(F, \theta) = \min \Leftrightarrow$

$$F \in \mathcal{K}(\theta) = \begin{cases} \alpha(\theta)SO(3) & \theta > \theta_c \\ SO(3) \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^N SO(3)A_i(\theta_c) & \theta = \theta_c \\ \bigcup_{i=1}^N SO(3)A_i(\theta) & \theta < \theta_c \end{cases}$$

austenite  
martensite



Successive heating/cooling cycles.  $\theta_c \sim -37C$   
 The total width of the sample  $\sim 0.5mm$   
 Courtesy of R. James.



Critical temperature  $\theta_c \sim 40C$ .  
 Alloy:  $Cu_{82}Al_{14}Ni_4$   
 Courtesy of C. Chu.

# Non-Euclidean elasticity

$$E(u) = \int_{\Omega} W((\nabla u)A^{-1}(x)) \, dx$$

$W(F) \sim \text{dist}^2(F, SO(3))$   
 $A \in C^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym},+}^{3 \times 3})$  incompatibility tensor

- $E(u) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \nabla u(x) \in K(x) = SO(3)A(x) \quad \forall a.e. \, x$   
 $\Leftrightarrow (\nabla u)^T \nabla u = A^2 = G \text{ and } \det \nabla u > 0$

Lemma (L-Pakzad '09)

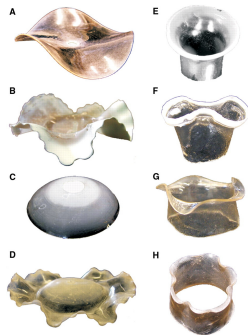
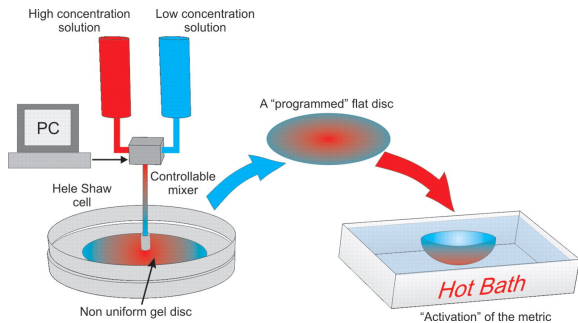
$$\inf_{u \in W^{1,2}} E(u) > 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{Riem}(G) \neq 0.$$

Thin non-Euclidean plates:  $\Omega = \Omega^h = \omega \times (-h/2, h/2)$ ,  $\omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

- As  $h \rightarrow 0$ : Scaling of:  $\inf E^h \sim h^\beta$  ?  $\text{argmin} E^h \rightarrow \text{argmin} I_\beta$  ?
- Hierarchy of theories  $I_\beta$ , where  $\beta$  depends on  $\text{Riem}(A^h)^2$   
Bhattacharya, Li, L., Mahadevan, Pakzad, Raoult, Schaffner
- When  $A = Id$ : dimension reduction in nonlinear elasticity  
seminal analysis by LeDret-Raoult 1995, Friesecke-James-Muller 2006

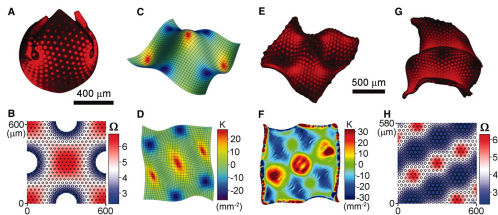


# Manufacturing residually-strained thin films

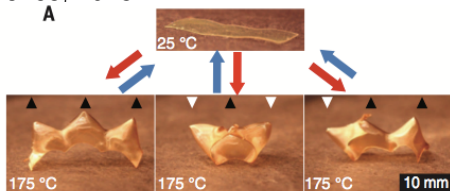


- *Shaping of elastic sheets by prescription of Non-Euclidean metrics* (Klein, Efrati, Sharon) Science, 2007

# More prestrain-activated materials



- *Half-tone gel lithography* (Kim, Hanna, Byun, Santangelo, Hayward) Science, 2012
- *Defect-activated liquid crystal elastomers* (Ware, McConney, Wie, Tondiglia, White) Science, 2015



$$G(x', x_3) = G(x')$$

$$\Omega^h = \omega \times \left(-\frac{h}{2}, \frac{h}{2}\right)$$

$$E^h(u^h) = \frac{1}{h} \int_{\Omega^h} W((\nabla u^h)G^{-1/2}(x)) \, dx$$

Theorem (L-Pakzad 2009, Bhattacharya-L-Schaffner 2014)

If  $E^h(u^h) \leq Ch^2$ , then  $\exists c^h \in \mathbb{R}^3$  such that the following holds for:  
 $y^h(x', x_3) := u^h(x', hx_3) - c^h \in W^{1,2}(\Omega^1, \mathbb{R}^3)$ .

- $y^h(x', x_3) \rightarrow y(x')$  in  $W^{1,2}$
- $y \in W^{2,2}(\omega, \mathbb{R}^3)$  and  $(\nabla y)^T \nabla y = G_{2 \times 2}$  on the midplate  $\omega$
- $\frac{1}{h^2} E^h(u^h) \xrightarrow{\Gamma} I_2(y) = \frac{1}{24} \int_{\omega} |\text{sym}((\nabla y)^T \nabla \mathbf{b})| \, dx'$

Cosserat vector  $\mathbf{b} \in W^{1,2} \cap L^\infty(\omega, \mathbb{R}^3)$  so that:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \partial_1 y & \partial_2 y & \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} \partial_1 y & \partial_2 y & \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} = G$$

- DeGiorgi (1975):  $\Gamma$ -convergence is a “variational” convergence, which “implies” that:  $\text{Limits} \left( \text{argmin} \frac{1}{h^2} E^h \right) = \text{argmin} I_2$

# 3d energy upper bound and the isometric immersions

## Corollary

$$\inf E^h \leq Ch^2 \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in W^{2,2}(\omega, \mathbb{R}^3) \quad (\nabla y)^T \nabla y = G_{2 \times 2}$$

- **Nirenberg (1953)**:  $\forall G_{2 \times 2}, \kappa > 0 \exists$  smooth isometr. embed. in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- **Poznyak-Shikin (1995)**: Same true for  $\kappa < 0$  on bounded  $\omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ .
- **Nash-Kuiper (1956)**:  $\forall n\text{-dim } G \exists C^{1,\alpha}$  isometr. embed. in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$

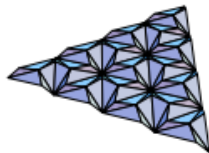
Case  $G_{2 \times 2}$ : **Borisov (2004), Conti-Delellis-Szekelyhidi (2010)**  $\alpha < \frac{1}{7}$

**Delellis-Inauenen-Szekelyhidi (2015)**  $\alpha < \frac{1}{5}$ .

## Corollary

$$\bullet \forall G_{2 \times 2} : \inf E^h \leq Ch^{2/3}. \quad \bullet |\kappa(G_{2 \times 2})| > 0 \Rightarrow \inf E^h \leq Ch^2.$$

- Best to expect from convex integration:  $\alpha < \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \inf E^h \leq Ch$ .
- **Conti-Maggi (2008)**: Example of origami-like folding pattern with  $E^h \leq Ch^{5/3}$



# The lower bound and the energy quantisation

Assume:  $\exists y \in W^{2,2}$   $(\nabla y)^T \nabla y = G_{2 \times 2}$ , or equivalently:  $\inf E^h \leq Ch^2$ .

Then only **3 scenarios are possible**:

- $\inf E^h \sim Ch^2$
- $\inf E^h \sim Ch^4$
- $\min E^h = 0 \quad \forall h$

## Theorem (L-Raoult-Ricciotti 2015)

(i) Assume that  $\frac{1}{h^2} \inf E^h \rightarrow 0$ . Then:

- $\inf E^h \leq Ch^4$ , and:  $\exists! y_0$   $(\nabla y_0)^T \nabla y_0 = G_{2 \times 2}$  with  $I_2(y_0) = 0$ .
- $R_{1212} = R_{1213} = R_{1223} \equiv 0$  in  $\Omega$ .
- $\frac{1}{h^4} E^h \xrightarrow{\Gamma} I_4 = \int_{\omega} \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{change in metric} \\ \text{departing from } y_0 \end{array} \right|^2 + \int_{\omega} \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{change in curvature} \\ \text{departing from } y_0 \end{array} \right|^2 + \int_{\omega} \left| \begin{bmatrix} R_{1313} & R_{1323} \\ R_{1323} & R_{2323} \end{bmatrix} \right|^2$

(ii) If  $\frac{1}{h^4} \inf E^h \rightarrow 0$ , then  $\text{Riem}(G) \equiv 0$  so in fact:  $\min E^h = 0$ .

# The Monge-Ampere constrained energy

$$\text{Energy } E^h(u^h) = \frac{1}{h} \int_{\Omega^h} W((\nabla u^h)(A^h)^{-1}(x)) \, dx$$

Theorem (L-Ochoa-Pakzad 2014)

Let:  $A^h(x', x_3) = Id_3 + h^\gamma S(x')$  and  $\gamma \in (0, 2)$ . Then:

- $\inf E^h \leq Ch^{\gamma+2} \Leftrightarrow \exists v \in W^{2,2}(\Omega), \det \nabla^2 v = -\text{curl curl } S_{2 \times 2}$
- $\frac{1}{h^{\gamma+2}} E^h \xrightarrow{\Gamma} I$ , where  $I$  is the 2-d energy:

$$I(v) = \int_{\Omega} |\nabla^2 v|^2 \text{ for } v \in W^{2,2}(\Omega), \det \nabla^2 v = -\text{curl curl } S_{2 \times 2}$$

Structure of minimizers to  $E^h$ :  $u^h(x', 0) = x' + h^{\gamma/2} v e_3$

- $\kappa(\nabla(id + h^{\gamma/2} v e_3)^T \nabla(id + h^{\gamma/2} v e_3)) = \kappa(Id_2 + h^\gamma \nabla v \otimes \nabla v)$   
 $= -\frac{1}{2} h^\gamma \text{curl curl } (\nabla v \otimes \nabla v) + O(h^{2\gamma}) = h^\gamma \det \nabla^2 v + O(h^{2\gamma})$
- Gauss curvature:  $\kappa(Id_2 + 2h^\gamma S_{2 \times 2}) = -h^\gamma \text{curl curl } S_{2 \times 2} + O(h^{2\gamma})$

The Monge-Ampère constraint = existence of second order infinitesimal isometry  $id + \varepsilon v e_3 + \varepsilon^2 w$  of the metric  $Id_2 + 2\varepsilon^2 S_{2 \times 2}$

# Back to convex integration: the Monge-Ampère equation

$\det \nabla^2 v = f$  • existence of  $W^{2,2}$  solutions is not guaranteed

$$\text{Det } \nabla^2 v = -\frac{1}{2} \text{curl curl}(\nabla v \otimes \nabla v) \quad v \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$$

Need to solve:  $\text{curl curl}(\nabla v \otimes \nabla v) = \text{curl curl } S_{2 \times 2}$   
where  $S_{2 \times 2} = \lambda \text{Id}_2$  with  $\Delta \lambda = -2f$  in  $\Omega$ .

Equivalently:  $\nabla v \otimes \nabla v + \text{sym} \nabla w = S_{2 \times 2}$

- $v, w \in W^{1,\infty}$  and  $(\nabla v, \text{sym} \nabla w) \in \mathcal{K} = \{(\mathbf{a}, A), (\mathbf{b}, B)\}$  a.e. in  $\omega$ .  
Let  $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0}$ . Then:
  - (i)  $\langle (B - A)\mathbf{n}^\perp, \mathbf{n}^\perp \rangle \neq 0 \Rightarrow \nabla v$  and  $\text{sym} \nabla w$  are constant.
  - (ii)  $\langle (B - A)\mathbf{n}^\perp, \mathbf{n}^\perp \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow$  laminate structure possible in  $v, w$ .
  - (iii)  $\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{a} + A = \mathbf{b} \otimes \mathbf{b} + B \Rightarrow$  automatically:  $\langle (B - A)\mathbf{n}^\perp, \mathbf{n}^\perp \rangle = 0$ .
- Many “laminate compatible connections” available!  
Case similar to  $O(2, 3)$ ...

# Flexibility of the Monge-Ampère equation

## Theorem (L-Pakzad 2015)

Let  $(v_0, w_0) : \omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2$  be a smooth short infinitesimal, i.e.:

$$\nabla v_0 \otimes \nabla v_0 + \text{sym} \nabla w_0 < S_{2 \times 2}.$$

Then  $\exists (v_n, w_n) \in C^{1, \frac{1}{7}-}$   $(v_n, w_n) \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} (v_0, w_0)$  and  
 $\nabla v_n \otimes \nabla v_n + \text{sym} \nabla w_n = S_{2 \times 2}.$

- Counterintuitive: 3 equations in 3 unknowns. Low regularity serves as a replacement for “higher dimensionality”.

## Corollary (“Ultimate flexibility”)

Let  $f \in L^2(\omega)$  and  $\alpha < \frac{1}{7}$ . The set of  $C^{1, \alpha}(\bar{\omega})$  solutions to the Monge-Ampère equation:  $\text{Det} \nabla^2 v = f$  is dense in the space  $C^0(\bar{\omega})$ .

- For  $f \in L^p(\omega)$  and  $p \in (1, \frac{7}{6}]$ , the density holds for any  $\alpha < 1 - \frac{1}{p}$ .
- $\text{Det} \nabla^2$  is weakly discontinuous everywhere in  $W^{1,2}(\omega)$ .



# Rigidity of the Monge-Ampère equation

- Consequences for the energy scaling: flexibility at  $C^{1, \frac{1}{7}-} \Rightarrow \inf E^h \leq Ch^{\frac{7}{4}\gamma + \frac{1}{2}}$ . (If we had flexibility at  $C^{1, \frac{1}{3}-}$  which is optimal using Nash-Kuiper technique, then  $\inf E^h \leq Ch^{\frac{3}{2}\gamma + 1}$ ).
- MA eqn.: fully nonlinear, 2nd order PDE, ellipticity  $\Leftrightarrow$  convexity
  - Alexandrov (1958), Bakelman (1957): existence, uniqueness of generalized (convex) solutions for  $f > 0$ , convex boundary data.
  - Heinz (1961):  $C^{2, \alpha}$  interior estimates for  $f \in C^{0, \alpha}$  in 2 dimensions.
  - Cheng-Yau (1977), Pogorelov (1978): general regularity results
  - regularity of convex generalized solutions in higher dimensions: Caffarelli, Caffarelli-Nirenberg-Spruck, Krylov, Trudinger-Wang.

Rigidity at Hölder regularity (very weak solutions, no convexity assumpt.):

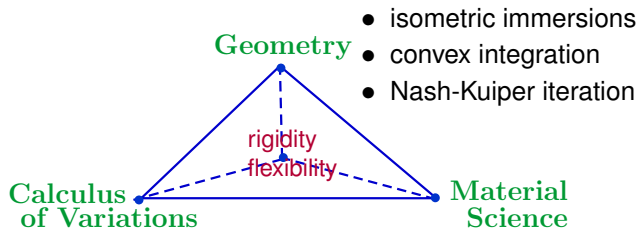
## Theorem (L-Pakzad 2015)

Let  $v \in C^{1, \alpha}$ ,  $\alpha > 2/3$ . If  $\text{Det} \nabla^2 v = 0$ , then  $v$  is developable.

If  $\text{Det} \nabla^2 v \geq c > 0$  is Dini continuous, then  $v$  is locally convex and an Alexandrov solution in  $\omega$ .

# The flexibility-rigidity dichotomy

- Monge-Ampère eq: flexibility below  $C^{1,1/7}$ ; rigidity beyond  $C^{1,2/3}$ 
  - rigidity of  $W^{2,2}$  solutions in the developable  $f = 0$  (Pakzad) and convex  $f > c > 0$  (Sverak, L-Mahadevan-Pakzad) cases.
- Isometric immersions of  $G_{2 \times 2}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ : flexibility below  $C^{1,1/5}$  (Delellis-Inauen-Szekelyhidi); rigidity beyond  $C^{1,2/3}$  (Borisov);
  - rigidity of  $W^{2,2}$  immersions in the developable  $\kappa = 0$  (Pakzad) and convex  $\kappa > c > 0$  (Hornung-Velcic) cases.
  - Expected threshold:  $\frac{1}{3}$  or  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{2}{3}$ .
- 3d incompressible Euler equations: flexibility below  $C^{0,1/5}$  (Delellis-Szekelyhidi, Isett: existence of  $L^\infty(0, T; C^\alpha(\mathbb{T}^3))$  solutions compactly supported in time) (Buckmaster-Delellis-Isett-Szekelyhidi: existence of solutions with arbitrary temporal kinetic energy profile); rigidity beyond  $C^{0,1/3}$  (Constantin-E-Titi, Eyink: every  $L^\infty(0, T; C^\alpha(\mathbb{T}^3))$  solution is energy conserving);
  - Expected threshold:  $\frac{1}{3}$  (Onsager's conjecture)



- non-Euclidean elasticity
- dimension reduction
- $\Gamma$ -convergence
- Effective constraints in the form of Monge-Ampère eqn
- microstructure formation
- martensitic phase transition
- prestrain-activated materials

Thank you for your attention.