

Analysis of Origami-Inspired Structures

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Motivation and Research Objective

- Wide range of application of origami including but not limited to:



Deployable structures Kuribayashi and You (2006) **Metamaterials** Schenk and Guest (2013) **Adaptive structures** <http://www.arup.com/> **Folded cores** Heims (2007)

- Investigating the capability of the pin-jointed bar framework approach for the analysis of folded shell structures subjected to external loads by stiffness analysis and calculation of mechanical properties of the known folded sheets (Miura-ori and Egg-box) computationally.

Modeling and Analysis of Folded Shell Structures

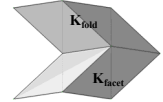
- Modeling using constrained pin-jointed bar framework**

Model using rigid bars and triangulate each facet using additional bar, and impose constraint F to model folding.

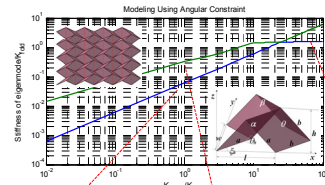
$$F = \sin(\phi) = \sin(\phi(P)) \quad d\phi = J d = \frac{1}{\cos(\phi)} \sum \frac{\partial F}{\partial p_i} dp_i$$

ϕ : dihedral fold angle between two adjoining facets; P : vector of nodal coordinates of the facets; C : the compatibility matrix.

$$\bar{C} d = \begin{bmatrix} e \\ d\phi \end{bmatrix} \quad K = \begin{bmatrix} C^T & G_{bar} & 0 & 0 \\ J_{facet} & 0 & G_{facet} & 0 \\ J_{fold} & 0 & 0 & G_{fold} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ J_{facet} \\ J_{fold} \end{bmatrix} \quad Kd = f$$



Stiffness Analysis of Miura-ori Sheet



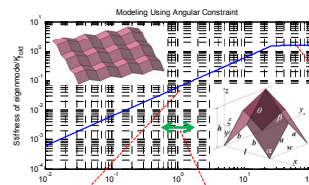
Saddle shape under bending:
Positive Poisson's ratio under bending; See 2nd mode



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- 1st mode at $K_{facet}/K_{fold} = 1$ Twisting
- 2nd mode at $K_{facet}/K_{fold} = 1, 10$ Saddle
- 1st mode at $K_{facet}/K_{fold} = 80$ Rigid Origami Behavior

Stiffness Analysis of Egg-box Sheet



Spherical shape under bending:
Negative Poisson's ratio under bending; See 2nd mode



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In-plane Poisson's Ratio of Miura-ori: Numerical Calculation

- Choose the material properties (K_{bar} and K_{facet}/K_{fold}) to ensure rigid origami behavior.

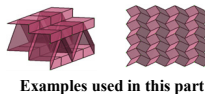
- The system is singular. Apply appropriate constraint to remove rigid body modes, without impeding the planar motion.

- The first eigen-modes show rigid origami behavior

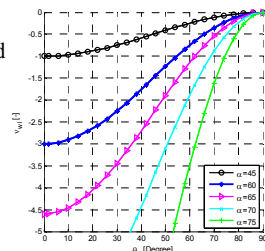
Negative planar Poisson's ratio



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Examples used in this part

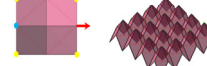


1st eigen-mode showing rigid origami behavior

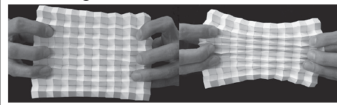
In-plane Poisson's Ratio of Egg-box: Numerical Calculation

- Similar approach explained for Miura-ori is used for Egg-box as well. Numerical results match well with the analytical model.

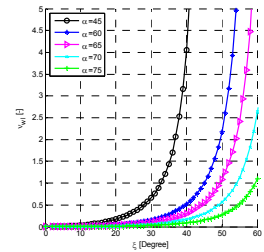
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Positive planar Poisson's ratio



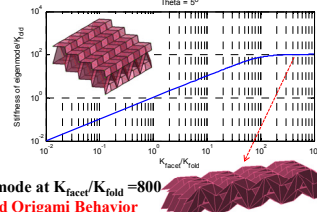
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1st eigen-mode showing rigid origami behavior

Stiffness Analysis of Stacked Miura Metamaterial

- The example includes three layers of Miura with special geometry attached to each other. First mode at large values of K_{facet}/K_{fold} shows that the material folds uniformly: A meta-material property of stacked Miura



Conclusions and Future Research

- Rigid origami behavior is captured very well in the analysis.
- Numerical verification of the mechanical properties of the patterns used here match well with the experimental and analytical results.
- Current code can be used for analysis of other patterns and for ground structure topology optimization of origami-inspired structures.

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