Soft Motors: molecular to macroscopic perspectives

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# **Outline: macroscopic**

- molecular & macroscopic length scales
- shape change
- motors based on elongation
- motors based on bend
- summary



# what is a motor?



• what is a motor?

- anything that produces or imparts motion (dictionary.com)



 a machine that supplies motive power for a vehicle or other device (O.E.D.)





- what is a motor?
  - a device which uses energy (but not momentum!) to cause motion



- how does motion come about?
- car convinces the road to exert a force on it, and push it forward



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# Molecular Motors 1. Anomalous Photoalignment



### **Direct optical torque**



angular momentum transfer:



$$\tau_{vol}^{opt} = \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{E}$$

$$\tau_{vol}^{el} + \tau_{vol}^{opt} = 0$$

torque results from change in extrinsic angular momentum of light.

#### Indirect optical torque

addition of 1% of anthroquinone dye  $\Rightarrow$  reduction of threshold intensity<sup>1</sup> by ~×100!



Torque on nematic causing elastic deformation CANNOT come from light! Source of torque??

I. Janossy, A.DD. Lloyd and B.S. Wherret, *Mol. Cryst.Liq. Cryst.* **179**, 1, 1990.
 I. Janossy, *Phys. Rev. E* **49**, 2957, 1994.

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 light causes the director to reorient, against a restoring elastic torque, essentially <u>without the transfer of angular</u> <u>momentum</u>.

• light causes rotation without exerting a torque!





# **Prost, Astumian**





## The translational ratchet\*



\* R.D. Astumian et al: *Phys.Rev.Lett.***72**, 1766, 1994.
J. Prost et al: *Phys. Rev. Lett.***72**, 2652, 1994.

Particles in asymmetric periodic potential:

When potential is turned OFF, particles diffuse, no net current

When potential is turned ON, particles move towards minimum, giving rise to current.



#### Simple model:

- dye
- anisotropic molecule with orientation
- in ground state does not interact with nematic
- in excited state becomes 'nematic' molecule
- probability of excitation depends on  $(I_d \cdot E)^2$
- lifetime of excited state is  $t_o$
- optical field
  - transfers energy, but no momentum to the sample





# Torque on liquid crystal:

Average orientation of excited dye molecule is NOT along nematic director



interaction between liquid crystal and excited dye gives rise to torque!





# Rotating dye gives rise to shear flow

dye: liquid crystal: - rotation  $\Rightarrow$  source of vorticity

liquid crystal: - aligned by nematic field of dye



viscous shear carries angular momentum from cell walls to dye

molecular elastic shear angular momentum current: dye→ nematic→ cell walls →dye

#### **Summary of Puzzle 1**

- Janossy effect<sup>1</sup> (source provides energy but not torque yet causes rotation) ⇒ orientational ratchet<sup>2</sup>
- dye is light-driven rotor with continuous rotation
- energy from optical field drives shear flow
- viscous stress carries angular momentum from dye to cell walls

- 1. T. Kosa and I. Janossy, Opt.Lett. 17, 1183, 1992; Opt. Lett. 20, 1231, 1995.
- 2. W. E and P. Palffy-Muhoray, *Mol.Cryst.Liq.Cryst.* **320**, 193, 1998

## Puzzle 2. Photoinduced Twist





## **Photoinduced Twist**





## **Photoinduced Twist**





#### Origin of torque

- before deformation takes place, polarization is parallel to the director, hence optical torque D x E = 0.
- optical field stabilizes configuration!
- source of torque?





# Landauer





## Landauer's Blowtorch



particles in periodic potential

'hot' molecules are more excited& diffuse over barrier

:. steady current: system is molecular motor (pump)

one part of system pushes on other; no momentum transfer from outside.

M. Büttiker, Z. Phys. B 68, 161 (1987).

R. Landauer, J. Stat. Phys. 53, 233 (1988)



# Indirect optical torque: Brownian ratchet



dye molecules in nematic field

dye molecules parallel to pump polarization are excited & diffuse over barrier

... steady rotation: dye is light driven molecular motor

torque results from rotation of dye; *no* momentum transfer from light.

P. Palffy-Muhoray, T. Kosa and Weinan E, Appl. Phys. A 75, 294 (2002)



# Schematic of Brownian motor:



dye in *trans*-state starts to rotate towards director



it exerts torque on director & vice versa



- as it becomes parallel to pump polarization
- it is excited into cis-state, undergoes diffusion



relaxes into trans-state, rotates towards director...





#### **Dynamics**

• dye: Fokker-Planck

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{t}}{\partial t} = D_{t} \nabla^{2} \rho_{t} + \nabla \cdot (M_{t} \rho_{t} \nabla U_{t}) - \rho_{t} f_{t} + \rho_{c} f_{c}$$
$$\frac{\partial \rho_{c}}{\partial t} = D_{c} \nabla^{2} \rho_{c} + \nabla \cdot (M_{c} \rho_{c} \nabla U_{c}) - \rho_{c} f_{c} + \rho_{t} f_{t}$$

• transition rates

$$f_t = f_{to} \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{U}_t/kT} + v e_t^2 (\mathbf{\hat{l}}_d \cdot \mathbf{\hat{E}})^2$$
$$f_c = f_{co} \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{U}_c/kT} + v e_c^2 (\mathbf{\hat{l}}_d \cdot \mathbf{\hat{E}})^2$$



#### **Dynamics**

- liquid crystal
  - bulk:

$$\gamma \frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{n}}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{K} \nabla^2 \hat{\mathbf{n}} (I - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \hat{\mathbf{n}})$$

- surface:

$$\gamma_{s} \frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{n}}}{\partial t} = \{ \mathbf{K}(\hat{\mathbf{N}} \nabla \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} + \hat{\mathbf{N}} \times \nabla \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \\ -d_{d} < \rho_{t} \frac{\partial U_{t}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{n}}} > -d_{d} < \rho_{c} \frac{\partial U_{c}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{n}}} > \} (I - \hat{\mathbf{n}}\hat{\mathbf{n}})$$



#### Simulations



- optical field drives orientational current
- dye exerts steady torque on nematic



#### **Summary of Anomalous Photoalignment**

- light-driven molecular motors
- dye\* molecules are rotors in nematic potential
- energy (but not momentum) from light
- steady unidirectional rotation
- orientational ratchet / Landauer's blowtorch mechanism
- work: steady torque on director by viscous stress + dissipation
- achiral



# Molecular Motors 2. Yokoyama - Tabe Experiment



## Yokoyama – Tabe Experiment

• chiral Langmuir monolayer





## **Collective Molecular Rotor/Pump**



Yuka Tabe and H. Yokoyama, *Nature Materials*, 2, 806(2003).

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#### **Chiral LC molecules on glycerol**

FELIX013 on pure glycerol (SmC\* phase)



counterclockwise rotation

clockwise rotation

CS4001 on pure glycerol (SmCA\* phase)





#### **Chirality inversion**



#### Precession speed linearly depends on $\Delta P_W/P_0$





 $\Delta P_w/P_0 = P_v - P_s$   $P_v$ : actual water vapor pressure  $P_s$ : saturated water vapor pressure




#### **Onsager Reciprocal Relations**

**Entropy Production:** 

$$T \overset{\bullet}{S} = \tau \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + J \cdot \upsilon_m \Delta P$$

**Onsager Relations:** 

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = \frac{1}{\gamma}\tau + b \ \upsilon_m \ \Delta P$$

$$J = b\tau + \frac{1}{\eta}\upsilon_m \Delta P$$

 $v_m$ : molecular volume of water in vapor  $\gamma$ : rotational viscosity of LC director

 $\eta :$  water mobility through the film

b: Lehmann coefficient ( $\propto$  chirality strength)



#### **Phenomenological Theory of Lehmann effect**

Shibata & Mikhailov, Europhys. Lett., 73 (2006)

H. Brand et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 96 (2006)

Tsori & de Gennes, Euro.Phys. J. E 14 (2004)

T. Okuzono, Kyoto Workshop (2005)



#### Summary of Yokoyama - Tabe experiment

• substrate & monolayer system is motor

energy stored in chemical potential of H<sub>2</sub>O

• vapor current drives rotation of chiral molecules

• work: produces circulating flow, dissipation



## Molecular Motors 3. ATP Synthase



- enzyme that synthesizes

   adenosine-5'-triphosphate (ATP)
   from
   adenosine diphosphate (ADP) + phosphate
- reaction:

 $ADP + P_i \rightarrow ATP$ 

• ATP:

"molecular unit of currency" of intracellular energy transfer



- energy from glucose sets up H<sup>+</sup> gradient
- H<sup>+</sup> current drives motor
- stator opens & closes, producing ATP











- normal human produces
   ~100lbs of APT/day
- motor can run backwards





Boyer & Walker, Nobel Prize in Chemistry, 1997

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#### Why does rotor turn?

- sequential protonation & deprotonation of side groups coupled with rotation
- chemical potential difference of H<sup>+</sup> drives current, which drags surface of C-rotor.
- pot. diff.  $\rightarrow$

current  $\rightarrow$ 

rotation.

A. Aksimentiev et al. Biophysical Journal 86, 1332 (2004)







#### Modeling

• system of Langevin equations

$$\xi_{i} \frac{d\theta_{i}}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \Psi(\theta_{a}, \theta_{R}, \theta_{1}, \theta_{2}, \theta_{2}, \theta_{4})}{\partial \theta_{i}} + \eta_{i}(t),$$
  
$$i = a, R, 1, \dots, 4.$$

Lennard-Jones + hydrophobic +screened Coulomb

$$U_{\rm EL}(\vec{r}) = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0\varepsilon} \frac{q_1q_2}{|\vec{r}|} \exp(-\lambda|\vec{r}|);$$

A. Aksimentiev et al. Biophysical Journal 86, 1332 (2004)



#### Modeling

- proposed sequence
  - based on simulations



A. Aksimentiev *et al.*Biophysical Journal **86** ,1332 (2004)

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#### Summary of ATP Synthase

rotary molecular motor

• rotation driven by proton current

• energy from stored electrochemical potential

• work: creation of ATP + dissipation



## Molecular Motors 4. Actin & Myosin





#### **Biological transport**

- all organisms (eukaryotic cells of yeasts, plants, animals) contain 'motor proteins'
- two well known examples:

#### -kinesins

- two active heads
- hydrolyses ATP
- moves along microtubules



#### - myosins

- two active heads
- hydrolyses ATP
- moves along actin fibers



#### **Muscle force and movement**

actin



F=5.3pN /cross-bridge step-size=5.5nm 1 step/ATPase reaction



sarcomere

myosin filament length=1.55 $\mu$ m



muscle fiber

C.J. Pennycuick, Newton Rules Biology (Oxford, 1995)



#### Summary of Actin & Myosin

• processive motor (unidirectional translation)

hand-over-hand motion

• driven by chemical energy of ATP

• work: translation of cargo against force, dissipation



## Molecular Motors 5. LC elastomers





#### LC elastomer network changes shape



#### Summary of LC elastomers

- elongational motor:
  - change in orientational order produces stress
  - stress produces change in shape
- driven by heat, light, or impurities
- work: motion against force, dissipation



## **Broken Symmetry**





#### Proper- and pseudo-tensors

tensor rank	0	1	2	3	4
proper	π, x	E, P, D	$\begin{array}{c} \boldsymbol{\delta}_{\alpha\beta},  \boldsymbol{Q}_{\alpha\beta} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{\alpha\beta},  \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\alpha\beta} \end{array}$	$d_{_{lphaeta\gamma}}$	etc.
pseudo	$\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$	H, M, B	$\Gamma_{lphaeta}$	$\mathcal{E}_{ijk}$	

scalar vector

changes sign on inversion

does not change sign on inversion



handedness = pseudoscalar c\*!



• symmetry of the system determines motion of motor!



# Translational motion

#### YAHOO! ANSWERS

My rugs are alive and moving!?

I have wall to wall carpets in my apartment. I have placed large rugs on top of the carpet. Without damaging the carpet or the rug, how can I stop them from wrinkling and moving? Is it caused by static electricity?



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- broken left-right symmetry:
  - <u>proper vector</u> exists in system
  - translation in direction of vector (carpet, kinesin, myosin)



- symmetry of the system determines motion of motor!
- broken translational symmetry:
  - proper vector exists in system
  - <u>translation</u> in direction of vector (carpet, kinesin, myosin)
     [Q: is there a vector in Landauer's blow torch?]
- broken chiral symmetry
  - pseudoscalar c\* exists in system
- broken chiral + broken translational symmetry
  - pseudoscalar + proper vector = <u>pseudovector</u>
  - <u>rotation</u> (Yokoyama Tabe, ATP Synthase, etc.)



- if system has proper dyad (director)
  - strain (elongation)
- if system has proper dyad and gradient (vector),
  - proper vector (curvature, bend)
- if system has proper dyad, gradient & pseudoscalar
  - pseudovector (twist)



#### Symmetry & deformation/motion

Symmetry	can construct	deformation/motion	material
$\rightarrow$	vector	translation	in kinesin, actin
$\leftrightarrow$	dyad	uniaxial strain	nematic networks
<b>c</b> *	-	-	
c* →	pseudovector	rotation	Lehman, ATP, Tabe
$\rightarrow \leftrightarrow_{c^*}$	pseudovector	twist	LCE twist
$\rightarrow \leftrightarrow$	proper vector	bend	LCE photoactuation



#### **Connecting molecular & macrosopic scales**

- cumulative effect of many molecular motors → macroscopic response
  - rotating dye system, Yokoyama-Tabe expt:
    - distributed local vorticity  $\rightarrow$  bulk torque & bulk flow
  - ATP synthase:
    - produces bulk ATP
  - myosin & actin
    - muscle fibers form long muscles, these contract
  - effective shape change
    - contraction, elongation and bend and twist



#### Smooth shape change: elongation

- liquid crystal elastomers:
  - coupling of orientational order and strain
  - large mechanical response to excitations

• elongation due to temperature change

motor based on elongation



#### H. Finkelmann, nematic LCE


### Another motor based on elongation

• rubber band heat engine





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## Another motor based on elongation

collagen contracts in salt water



#### Aharon Katzir-Katchalsky 1913-1972



### Another motor based on elongation

• a modified version





M. V. Sussman and A. Katchalsky, Science, 167, 45 (1970)



# Dunking bird of the first kind

- heat engine
  - Carnot efficiency limit







# Dunking bird of the second kind

- not a heat engine
- isothermal
- involves shape change



(b)

N. Abraham, P. Palffy-Muhoray., Am.J. Phys. 72, 782 (2004)

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### **Bend Motors**

 samples of liquid crystal elastomers with azo dye bend on exposure to light





LC + diacrylate network + functionalized azo-chromophore

timescale: 10 s

Yanlei Yu, Makoto Nakano, Tomiki Ikeda, Nature 425, 125 (2003)



### Water vapor sensitive network



K. Harris, C. Bastiaansen, D. Broer, J. MEM Syst., 16, 480 (2007)



### **Bend Motors**

sample: nematic elastomer EC4OCH3 + 0.1% dissolved Disperse Orange 1 azo dye







Response time: 70ms



# Photoinduced oscillations

 if sample bends > 90° both sides are illuminated, producing oscillations



nematic azo-elastomer

sample size: 5 mm 0.8 mm 0.05 mm

max. frequency = 270Hz

S. Serak, N. Tabiryan, R. Vergara, T. White, R. Vaia, T. Bunning, Soft Matter 6, 779–783 (2010)



### **Bend Motors**

• floating nematic LCE sample illuminated from above





M. Chamacho-Lopez, H. Finkelmann, P. Palffy-Muhoray, M. Shelley, Nature Mat. 3, 307, (2004)



• robotic arm





T. Ikeda, Chuo University (priv. comm.)





# Bend Motor: focus of current interest

• azo-dye doped liquid crystal elastomer



M. Yamada, M. Kondo, J. Mamiya, Y. Yu, M. Kinoshita, C. Barrett, T. Ikeda, *Angew. Chem.* **47**, 4986 (2008)



# Bend Motor: focus of current interest

- shape-memory Ni-Ti alloy,
  - two phases:
    - orthorhombic martensite (cold)
    - cubic austenite (hot)





### Existing rotary bend motors



#### LCE bends on exposure to light

### wire becomes stiff when heated





# Model

• bend vs. compression:

- if ends are brought closer, will filament compress or bend?



$$\longleftarrow L - \Delta L \longrightarrow$$

$$\frac{\Delta L}{L} \simeq \frac{1}{24} \left(\frac{L}{R}\right)^2$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{b} / l = \frac{1}{2} E(\frac{d}{R})^{2} \frac{wd}{12} \qquad \qquad \mathcal{E}_{c} / l = \frac{1}{2} E(\frac{\Delta L}{L})^{2} wd \qquad \qquad \qquad \frac{\mathcal{E}_{c}}{\mathcal{E}_{b}} \sim (\frac{L}{d})^{2} (\frac{L}{R})^{2}$$

Bend is *much* cheaper energetically than stretch;  $\rightarrow$  <u>length is constant</u>.









- s arc length along filament
- $\mathbf{R}(s)$  position vector of point on filament









Model

$$egin{array}{ccc} heta_2 & R_2 \ heta_3 & heta_3 \end{array}$$

- constraints:

*S*<sub>3</sub>

 $S_2$ 

- filament length is constant
- displacement in x-dir. is fixed

 $S_x$ 

$$R_{1}(1-\cos\theta_{1}) - \int_{s_{1}}^{s_{2}} \hat{\mathbf{t}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{x}} ds + R_{2}(1-\cos\theta_{2}) = L + R_{1} + R_{2},$$
$$R_{1}(1-\cos\theta_{4}) + \int_{s_{3}}^{s_{4}} \hat{\mathbf{t}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{x}} ds + R_{2}(1-\cos\theta_{3}) = L + R_{1} + R_{2}.$$

• displacement in y-dir. is fixed

$$R_{1}\sin\theta_{1} + \int_{s_{1}}^{s_{2}} \hat{\mathbf{t}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{y}} ds - R_{2}\sin\theta_{2} = 0,$$
$$R_{1}\sin\theta_{4} + \int_{s_{3}}^{s_{4}} \hat{\mathbf{t}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{y}} ds - R_{2}\sin\theta_{3} = 0$$



 $S_1$ 

 $egin{array}{c} heta_1 \ heta_4 \ heta_4 \end{array}$ 

 $S_4$ 

 $S_o$ 

 $R_1$ 

# Model: Energy with constraints $\mathcal{E} = \int_{0}^{s_{1}} c(\frac{1}{R} - \kappa)^{2} ds + \int_{s_{1}}^{s_{2}} c(\hat{\mathbf{t}}' - \kappa(\hat{\mathbf{t}} \times \hat{\mathbf{z}}))^{2} ds + \int_{s_{2}}^{s_{3}} c(\frac{1}{R} - \kappa)^{2} ds$ $+\int_{s_3}^{s_4} c(\hat{\mathbf{t}}'-\kappa(\hat{\mathbf{t}}\times\hat{\mathbf{z}}))^2 ds + \int_{s_4}^1 c(\frac{1}{R}-\kappa)^2 ds$ + $f_{1x}$ { $R_1(1-\cos\frac{s_1}{R_1})-\int_{s_1}^{s_2} \hat{\mathbf{t}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{x}} ds + R_2(1-\cos(\frac{s_x-s_2}{R_2})) - (L+R_1+R_2)$ } $+ f_{1y} \{ R_1 \sin \frac{s_1}{R_1} + \int_{s_1}^{s_2} \hat{\mathbf{t}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{y}} ds - R_2 \sin (\frac{s_x - s_2}{R_1}) \}$ + $f_{2x}$ { $R_1(1-\cos(\frac{1-s_4}{R_1}))$ + $\int_{s_3}^{s_4} \hat{\mathbf{t}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{x}} ds$ + $R_2(1-\cos(\frac{s_3-s_x}{R_2}))$ - $(L+R_1+R_2)$ } $+f_{2y}\{R_{1}\sin(\frac{1-s_{4}}{R})+\int_{s_{3}}^{s_{4}}\mathbf{\hat{t}}\cdot\mathbf{\hat{y}}ds-R_{2}\sin(\frac{s_{3}-s_{x}}{R})\}$

Lagrange multipliers are components of forces in top and bottom filaments.

# Model: Energy minimization



• ODEs are obtained by minimizing  $\mathcal{E}$  w.r.t.  $\hat{\mathbf{t}} = (\cos\theta, \sin\theta)$ 

$$-2(c\theta'' + c'\theta' + (c\kappa)') + f_{1x}\sin\theta + f_{1y}\cos\theta = 0, \quad \text{if} \quad s \in (s_1, s_2)$$

 $-2(c\theta'' + c'\theta' + (c\kappa)') - f_{2x}\sin\theta + f_{2y}\cos\theta = 0, \quad \text{if} \quad s \in (s_3, s_4).$ 

- these govern the shape of the filaments on top and bottom
  - BC for  $\theta$  is obtained by minimizing  $\mathcal{E}$  w.r.t.  $s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4$
  - this gives <u>continuous tangent</u> and <u>curvature</u> at contact pts.



## **Numerical Solution**

- ►1. Assign initial values for  $s_1, s_2, s_x$  and  $f_{1x}, f_{1y}$  and solve ODE  $-2(c\theta'' + c'\theta' + (c\kappa)') + f_{1x}\sin\theta + f_{1y}\cos\theta = 0$ with BCs.
  - 2. Assign initial values for  $s_3, s_4$  and  $f_{2x}, f_{2y}$  and solve ODE  $-2(c\theta'' + c'\theta' + (c\kappa)') - f_{2x}\sin\theta + f_{2y}\cos\theta = 0$ with BCs.
  - 3. Vary the forces  $f_{1x}, f_{1y}, f_{2x}, f_{2y}$  to satisfy constraints (root finding) 4. Vary  $s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, s_x$  and go to 1. until  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial s_1} = 0$ , i = 1, ...4, x.

# Numerical Solution: varying the curvature





# Numerical Solution: varying the stiffness





# **Calculating torques**

- to calculate the net torque, we consider part of system
- look at forces
- look at point torques

$$\tau = 2c(\hat{\mathbf{t}}' - \kappa(\hat{\mathbf{t}} \times \hat{\mathbf{z}}))$$



Note: integrating the ODE w.r.t. to *s* gives

$$2c(\theta' + \kappa) - f_{1x} \int_0^s \sin \theta(\tilde{s}) d\tilde{s} - f_{1y} \int_0^s \cos \theta(\tilde{s}) d\tilde{s} = K_1, \text{(upper part)}$$

# ODE is *precisely* the condition that the torque on wheel remain constant, regardless of where the filament is cut!



What happens on the pulleys?

• Problem: elastic beam on rigid cylinder





### Interesting observation

- straight beam touches cylinder along one line



- curved beam touches cylinder over extended area







# Experiment





### **Determination of point of contact**







Data



### Modelling: as before



# Force distribution on pulleys

- when force F is applied to filament,
  - point contact if  $F \leq F_c$
  - extended contact if  $F > F_c$
- torque balance:

force density on pulley

$$F(L-R\sin\theta) - \int_{\theta}^{\theta_c} R\sin(\phi-\theta) f(\phi) R d\phi = \frac{ET}{R}$$

• Volterra integral equation of first kind.





•

 $f(\theta) = \frac{1}{R} \left( \delta(\theta - \theta_c) \cos \theta_c + \sin \theta_c \right)$ 

where  $\sin \theta_c = (\frac{F - F_c}{F}) \frac{L}{R}$ 

Solution for force density:

$$f(A) = \frac{F}{K} (\delta(A - A)) \cos A +$$

extended contact if 
$$F > F_c$$

oint contact if 
$$L = F_c$$

• When force **F** is applied to filament,

$$F$$

$$\int \theta$$

$$R$$

$$F_{c} = \frac{EI}{LR}$$

r 1

### **Force distribution**





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• how can a point torque in filament cause translation?





how can a point torque in filament cause bulk translation?
 – net force is zero,





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- how can a point torque in filament cause translation?
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  - net force  $\mathbf{F}_{2}$ along  $\mathbf{F}_1$ - translation
- angular momentum transport!



- how can a point torque in filament cause translation?
  - net force is zero, but torque causes constraint force to appear
  - net force along F<sub>1</sub>
    translation
    F<sub>3</sub>
- no rotation without friction between filament & wheel!



## Angular momentum current

- point torque in filament causes constraint force F to appear\*
- reaction force -F appears; exerts torque on hand
- angular momentum current flows into bend motor from hand



• \* via stress transport:

$$\nabla(\nabla \bullet \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \frac{\rho}{E} \frac{\partial^2 \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{\partial t^2}$$



# Summary

- detailed model for bend motors driven by
  - local spontaneous curvature caused by light (LCE-lkeda)
  - local stiffening caused by heat (Nitinol Wang)
- corrects/completes existing qualitative explanations
- prediction:
  - LCE motor with perp. alignment runs the other way: confirmed!
- understand angular momentum transport
- efficiency calculation: remains to be done



#### Angular momentum

stimulus is applied

filament bends

torque appears

angular momentum flows into motor

rotation starts

angular momentum is conserved & earth speeds up





## Conclusions

- variety of molecular -scale mechanisms can be exploited
  - rotary (dyes, Yokoyama-Tabe)
  - need better molec. motors with processive translation
  - elongation (LC elastomers/networks)
- symmetry plays important role in determining motion
- macroscopic phenomena are cumulative effects of molecular motors
- understand bend motors well
- many exciting possibilities to explore!

