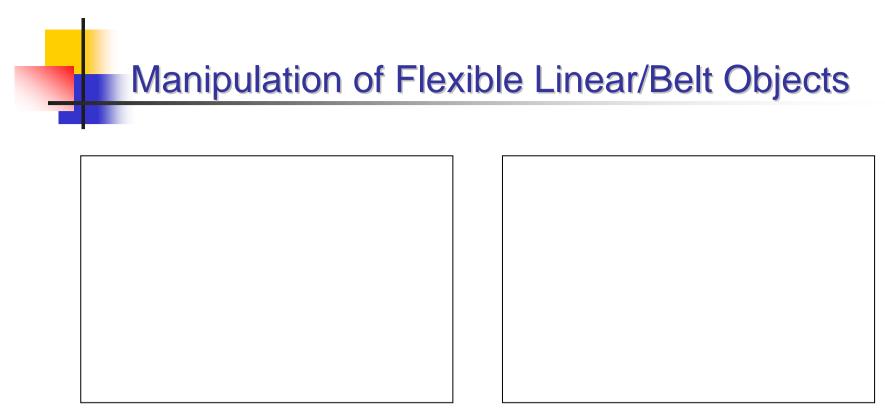
# Modeling of Linear and Belt Object Deformation Based on Differential Geometry

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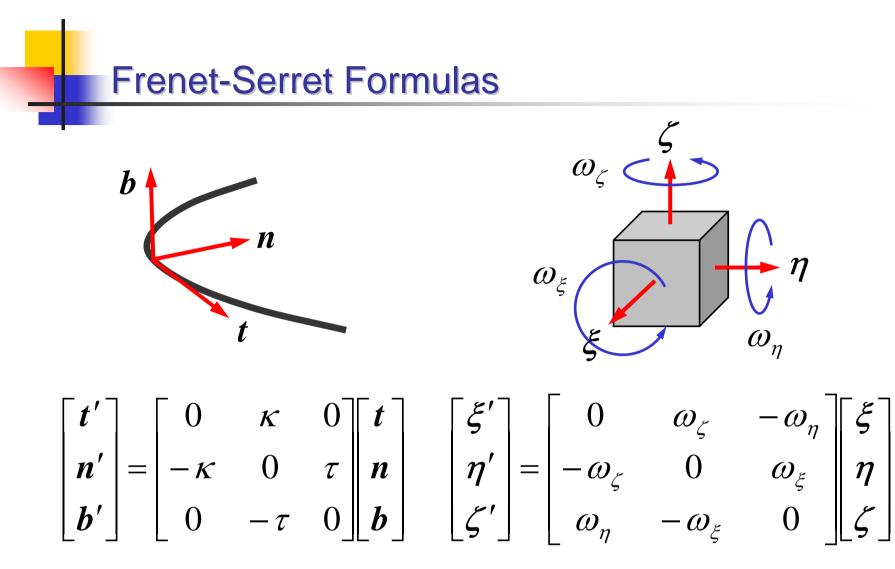


Wire harness

Flexible printed circuit board

A modeling of linear/belt object deformation is required for planning of manipulative operations and their execution by a mechanical system.





Frenet-Serret formulas

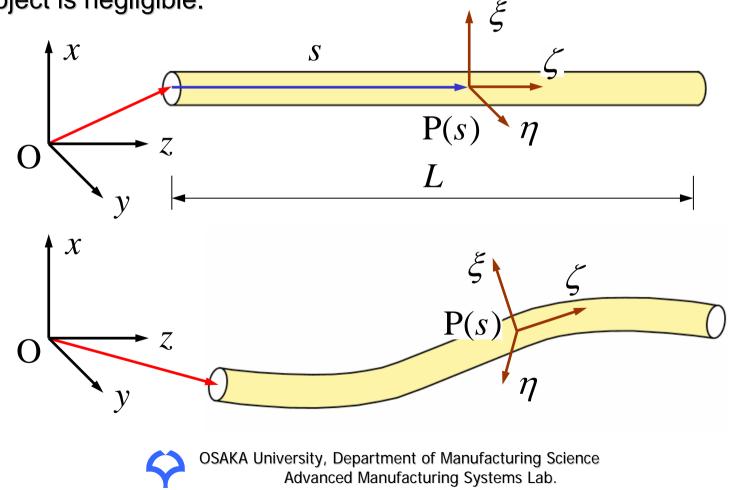
Angular verocities of rigid body



# Modeling of Linear Object Deformation

Assumption :

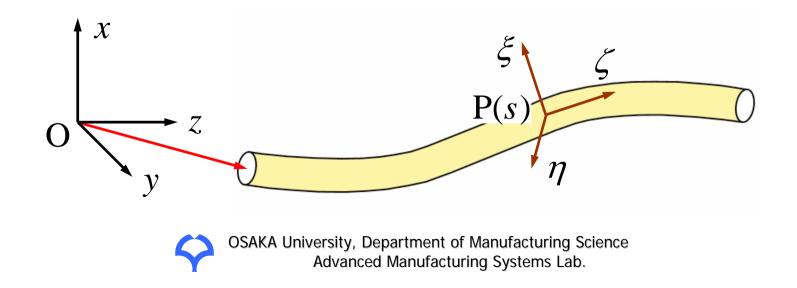
Deformation in any direction perpendicular to the central axis of a linear object is negligible.

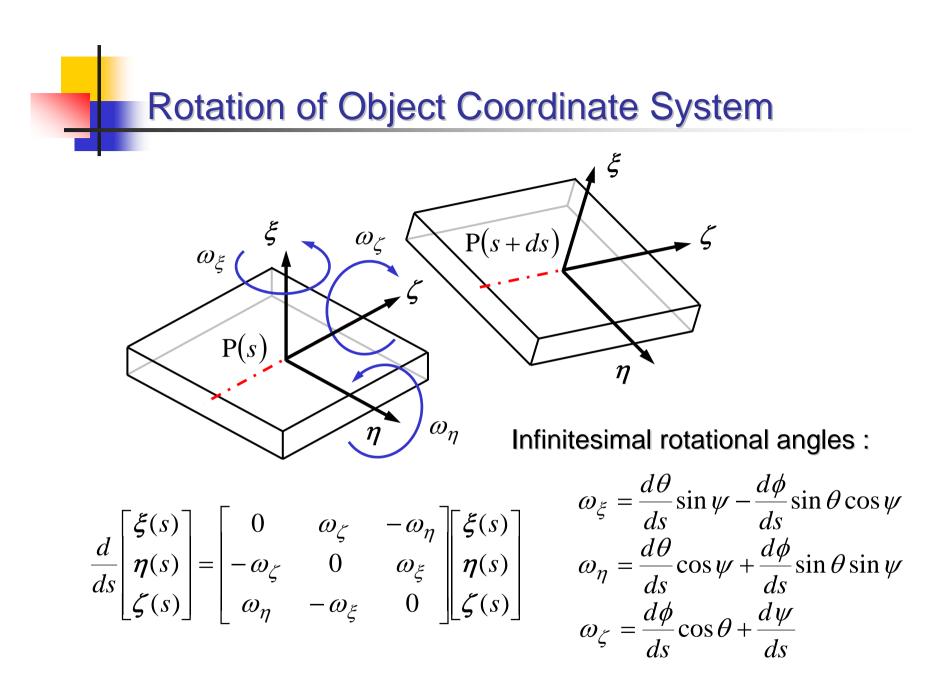




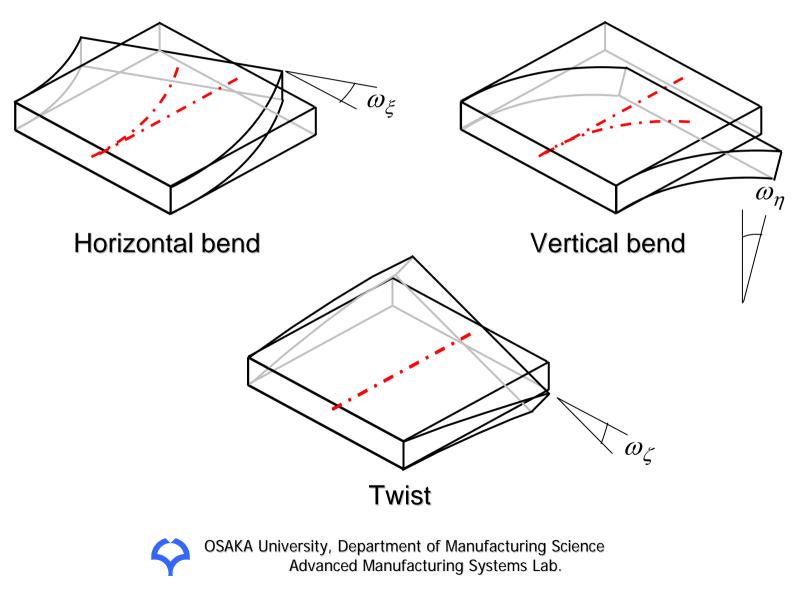
### Rotation matrix :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta \cos\phi \cos\psi - \sin\phi \sin\psi & -\cos\theta \cos\phi \sin\psi - \sin\phi \cos\psi & \sin\theta \cos\phi \\ \cos\theta \sin\phi \cos\psi + \cos\phi \sin\psi & -\cos\theta \sin\phi \sin\psi + \cos\phi \cos\psi & \sin\theta \sin\phi \\ -\sin\theta \cos\psi & \sin\theta \sin\psi & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

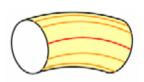






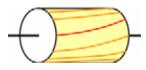


# Curvature, Torsional Ratio, and Normal Strain



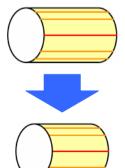
Curvature :

$$\kappa^{2} = \omega_{\xi}^{2} + \omega_{\eta}^{2} = \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}\theta}{\mathrm{d}s}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}\phi}{\mathrm{d}s}\right)^{2} \sin^{2}\theta$$



**Torsional ratio :** 

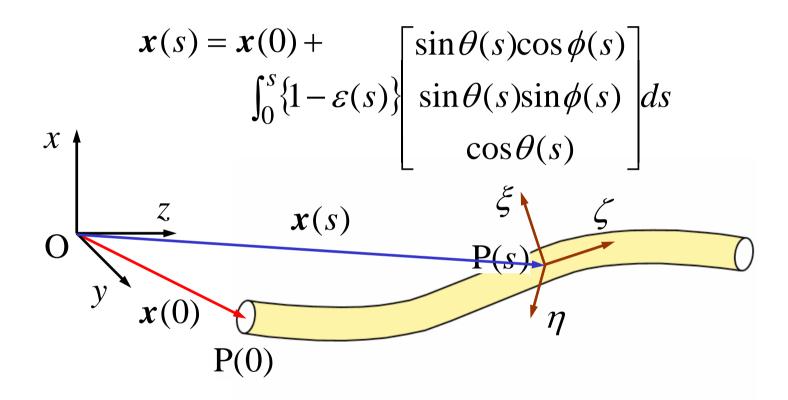
$$\omega^{2} = \omega_{\zeta}^{2} = \left(\frac{d\psi}{ds} + \frac{d\phi}{ds}\cos\theta\right)^{2}$$



Normal strain :  $\mathcal{E}(s)$ 



**Spatial Coordinates** 



The geometrical shape of a deformed linear object can be represented by four functions :  $\phi(s), \theta(s), \psi(s), \varepsilon(s)$ 

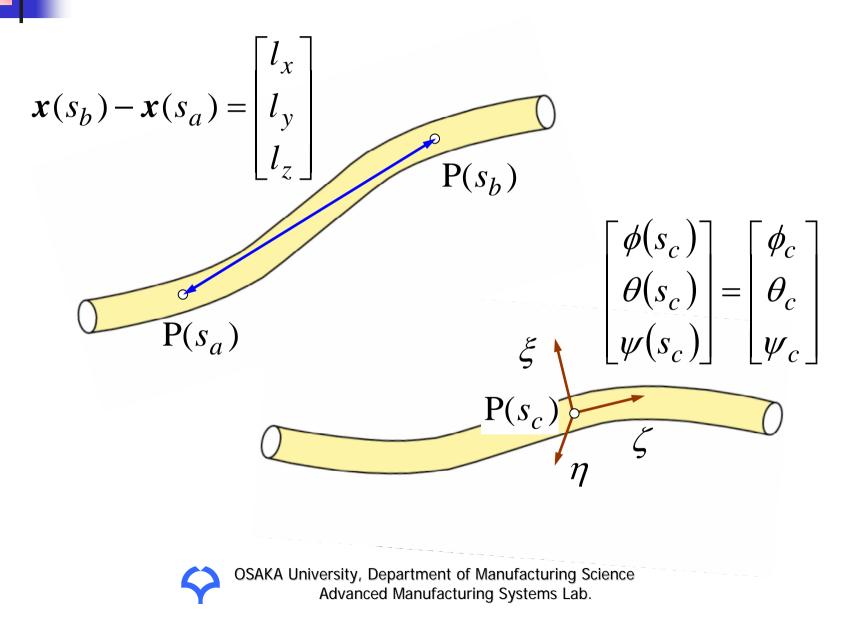


### Variational principle in statics :

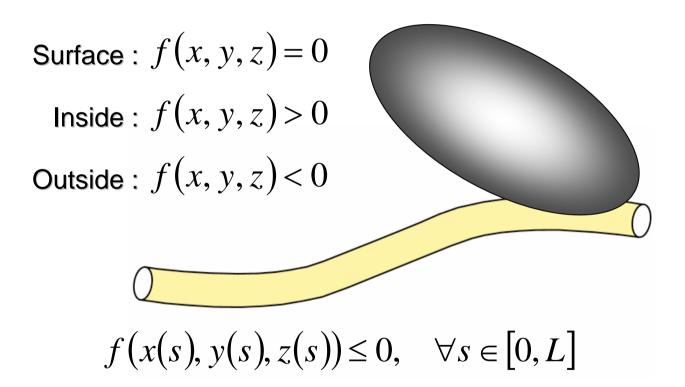
The potential energy of a linear object attains its minimum value in its stable deformed state under the imposed constraints.



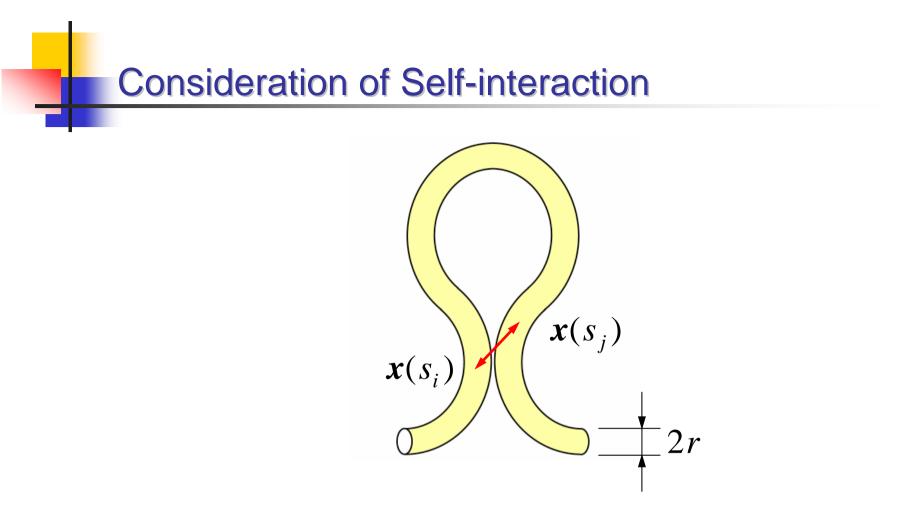
### **Positional/Orientational Constraints**











$$|\mathbf{x}(s_i) - \mathbf{x}(s_j)| \ge 2r, \quad \forall s_i, s_j \in [0, L], \text{ s.t. } |s_i - s_j| \ge 2r$$

The geometrical constraints imposed on a linear object are given by not only equational conditions but also inequality conditions.

**Minimization Problem** 

$$\phi(s) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i^{\phi} e_i(s), \ \theta(s) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i^{\theta} e_i(s),$$
  

$$\psi(s) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i^{\psi} e_i(s), \ \varepsilon(s) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i^{\varepsilon} e_i(s)$$
  

$$\phi(s) = a^{\phi} \cdot e(s), \ \theta(s) = a^{\theta} \cdot e(s), \ \psi(s) = a^{\psi} \cdot e(s), \ \varepsilon(s) = a^{\varepsilon} \cdot e(s)$$
  

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} a^{\phi} & a^{\theta} & a^{\psi} & a^{\varepsilon} \end{bmatrix}$$

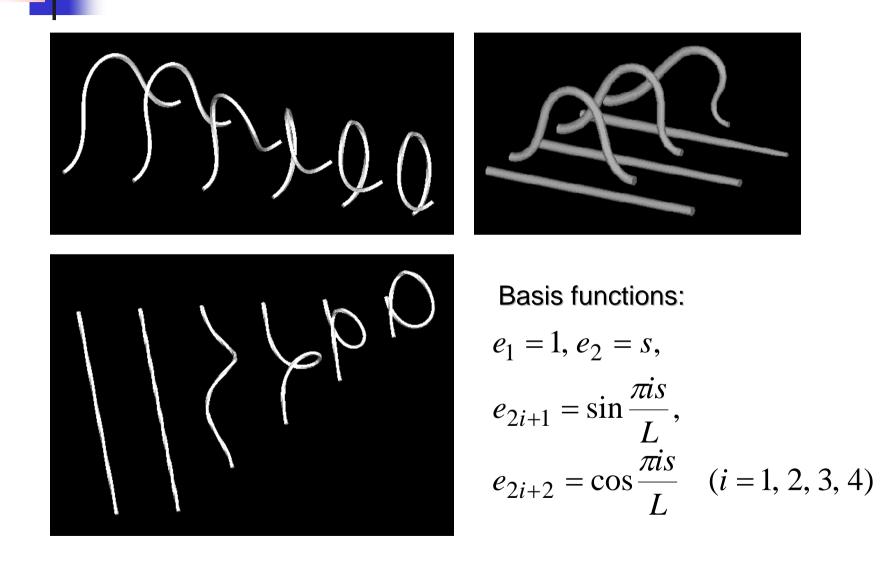
Minimize potential energy U(a)Subject to  $f_j(a) = 0$   $(j = 1, \dots, J)$ 

Positional/orientational constraints

$$g_k(\boldsymbol{a}) \leq 0 \quad (k = 1, \cdots, K)$$

Avoidance of (self-)interference

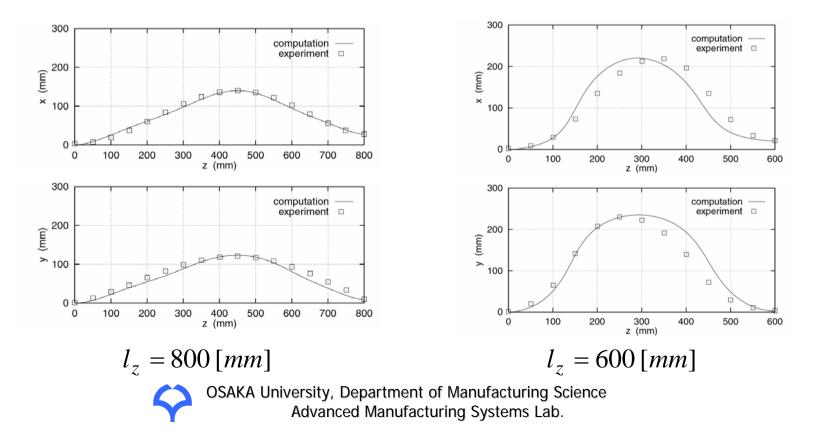
# **Computational Results**



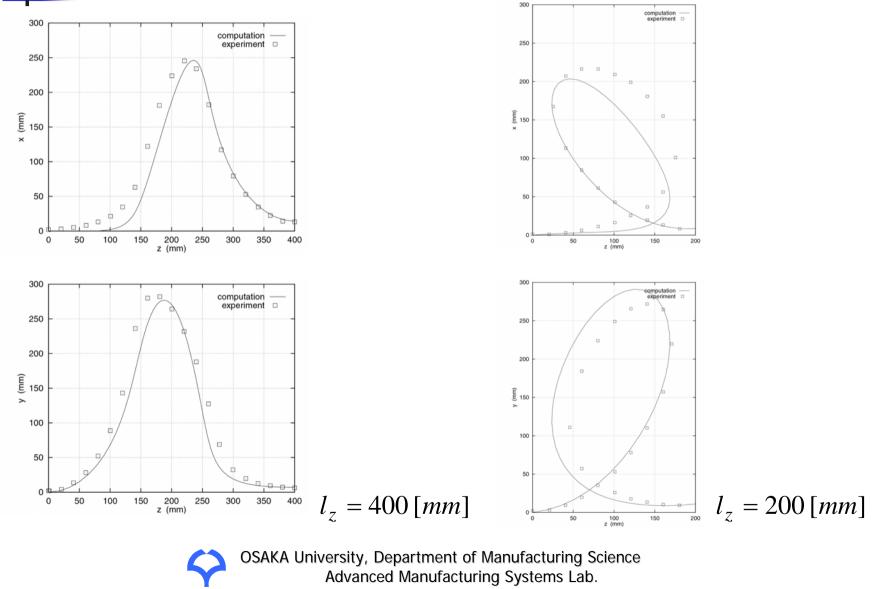


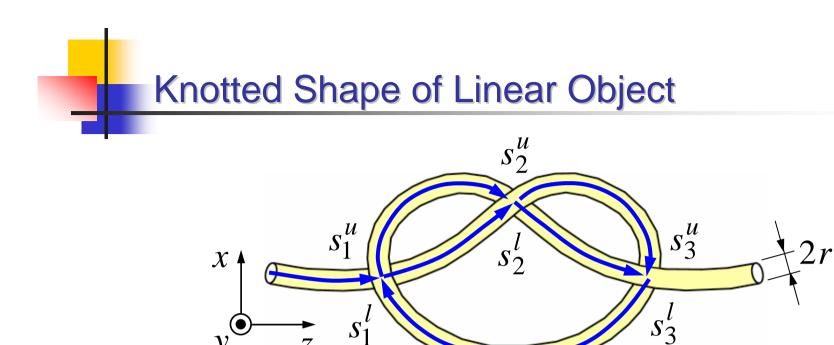
## **Experimental Verification (1)**

Length	8.7 × 10 <sup>2</sup> [mm]
Flexural rigidity	6.6 × 10 <sup>-4</sup> [Nm <sup>2</sup> ]
Torsional rigidity	2.3 × 10 <sup>-4</sup> [Nm <sup>2</sup> ]
Weight per unit length	1.0 × 10 <sup>-2</sup> [N/m]



## **Experimental Verification (2)**





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$$z(s_1^u) - z(s_1^l) = 0, \ z(s_2^u) - z(s_2^l) = 0, \ z(s_3^u) - z(s_3^l) = 0,$$
  

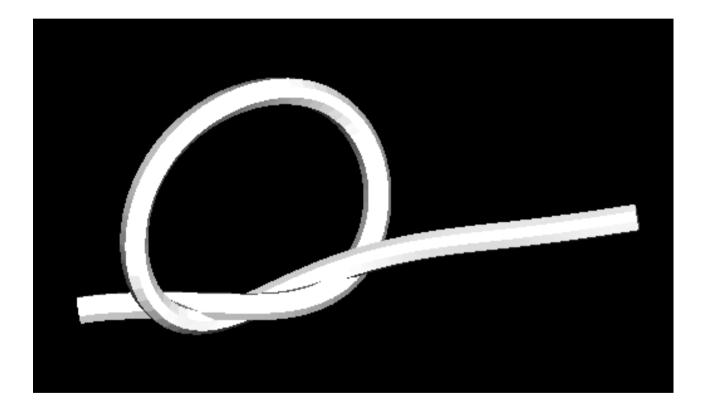
$$x(s_1^u) - x(s_1^l) = 0, \ x(s_2^u) - x(s_2^l) = 0, \ x(s_3^u) - x(s_3^l) = 0,$$
  

$$y(s_1^u) - y(s_1^l) = 2r, \ y(s_2^u) - y(s_2^l) = 2r, \ y(s_3^u) - y(s_3^l) = 2r,$$
  

$$0 \le s_1^l < s_2^u < s_3^l < s_1^u < s_2^l < s_3^u \le L$$
  

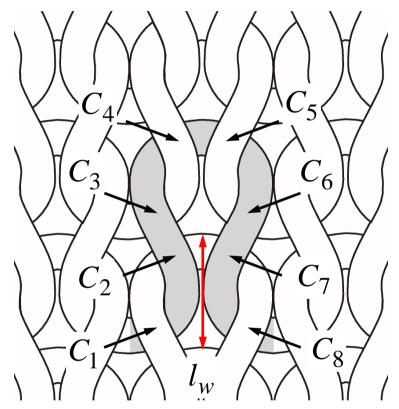
$$a = \begin{bmatrix} a^{\phi} & a^{\theta} & a^{\psi} & s_1^u & s_1^l & s_2^u & s_2^l & s_3^u \end{bmatrix}$$







## **Knitted Shape of Linear Objects**



$$z(s_{i}) - z(s_{i+2}) = 0, \quad (i = 1, 2, 5, 6)$$

$$x(s_{i}) - x(s_{i-2}) = l_{w}, \quad (i = 3, 4)$$

$$x(s_{i}) - x(s_{i+2}) = l_{w}, \quad (i = 5, 6)$$

$$y(s_{i}) - y(s_{i-2}) = 2r, \quad (i = 3, 7)$$

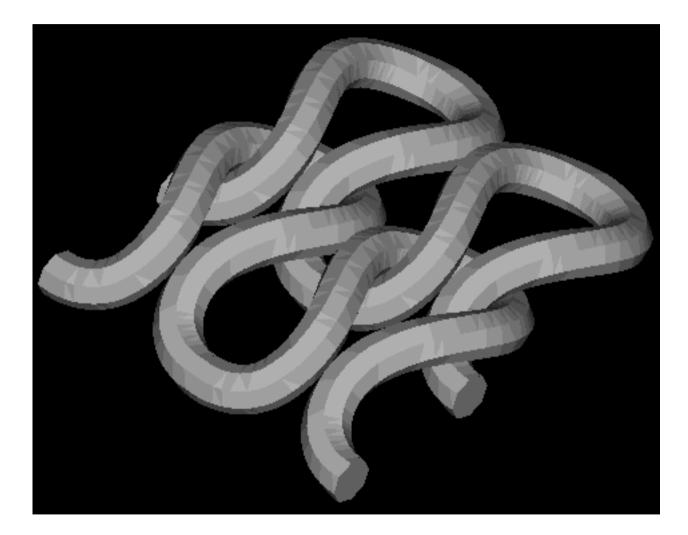
$$y(s_{i}) - y(s_{i+2}) = 2r, \quad (i = 2, 6)$$

$$0 \le s_{i} < s_{i+1} \le L, \quad (i = 1, \dots, 7)$$

#### **Assumption**:

The shape of the fabric can be represented by repetitions of the same shape of one loop.

# Computational Result of Plain Knitted Fabric

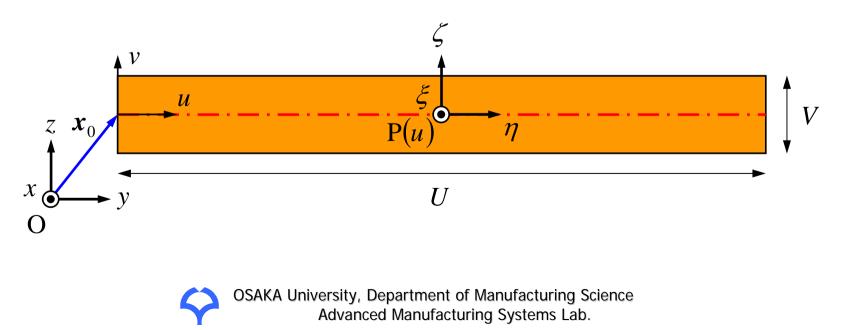




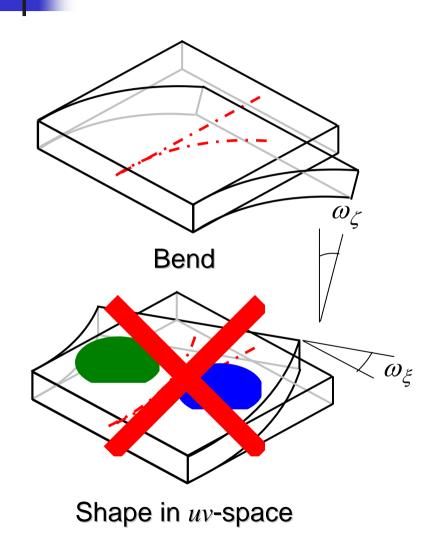
# Modeling of Belt Object Deformation

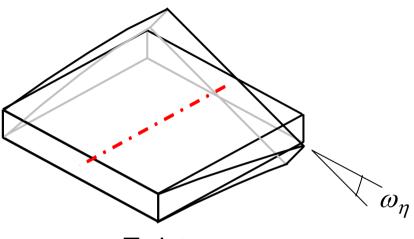
### Assumptions:

- A belt object is rectangular.
- The width of the object is sufficiently small compared to its length.
- The object is inextensible. Namely, it can be bent and twisted but cannot be expanded or contracted.
- Its both ends cannot be deformed because connectors are attached to the ends.



## **Infinitesimal Rotational Angles**





Twist

Assumption:

A belt object is inextensible.

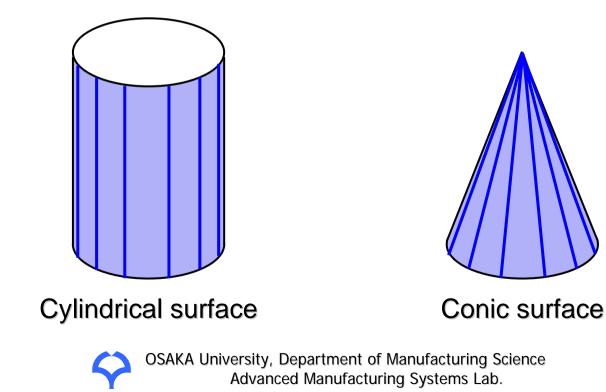
In case of rectangular object:

 $\omega_{\xi} \equiv 0$ 

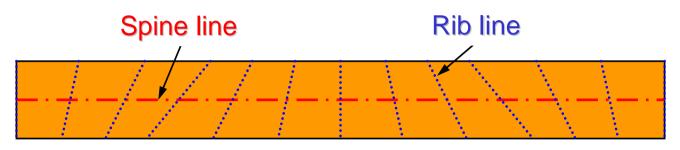
# **Developable Surfaces**

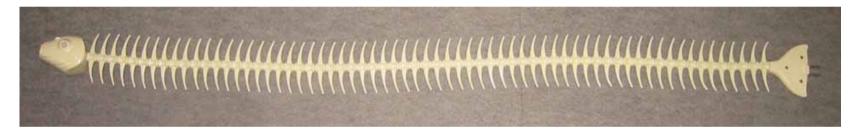
Assumption:

- It can be generated by sweeping a straight line in 3D space.
- It includes straight lines.







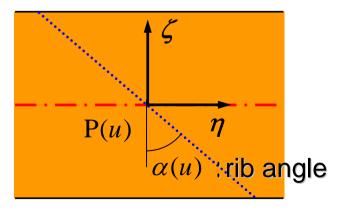


The shape of a belt object:

Shape of the bent and twisted spine line

 $\longrightarrow \phi(u), \theta(u), \psi(u)$ 

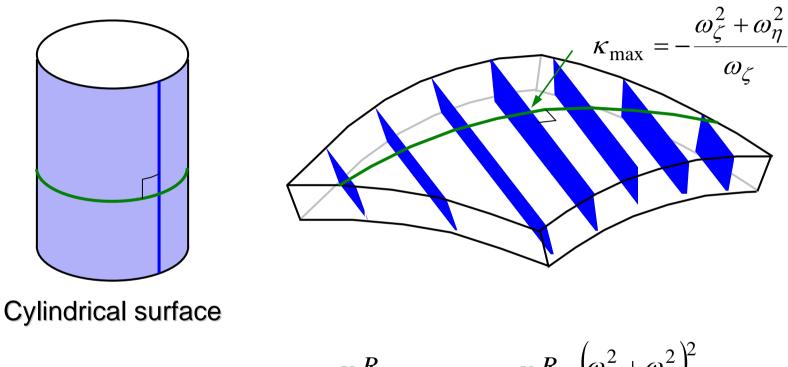
Direction of straight rib lines





 $\alpha(u)$ 





Potential energy: 
$$I = \int_0^U \frac{R_f}{2} \kappa_{\max}^2 du = \int_0^U \frac{R_f}{2} \frac{\left(\omega_{\zeta}^2 + \omega_{\eta}^2\right)^2}{\omega_{\zeta}^2} du$$

 $R_f$ : flexural rigidity along the spine line



## Constraints

- Necessary constraints for developability
  - To maintain initial shape in uv-space :

$$\omega_{u\xi}=0,\,\forall u\in [0,U]$$

 To prevent rib lines from intersecting with themselves :

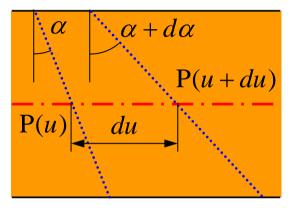
$$-\frac{2\cos^2\alpha}{V} \le \frac{d\alpha}{du} \le \frac{2\cos^2\alpha}{V}, \,\forall u \in [0, U]$$

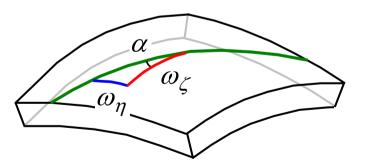
 Relationship between the rib angle and infinitesimal rotational angles:

$$\alpha = -\tan^{-1}\frac{\omega_{\eta}}{\omega_{\zeta}}, \forall u \in [0, U]$$

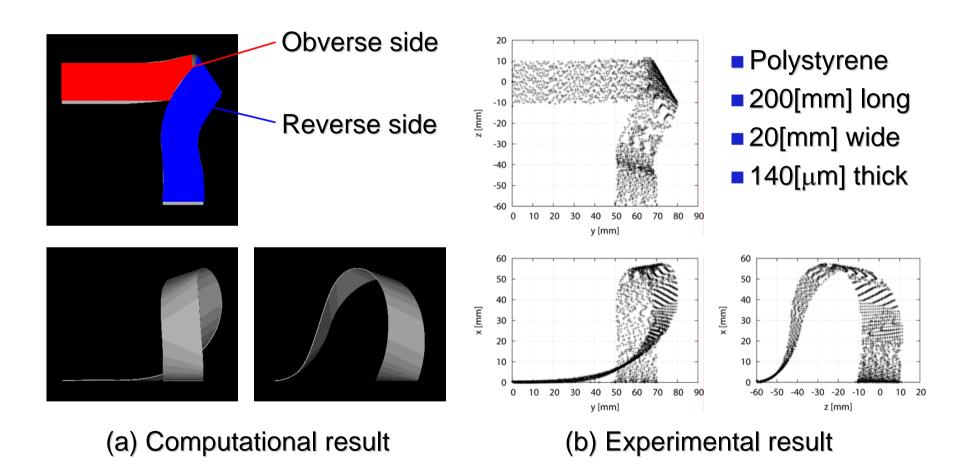
Geometric constraints





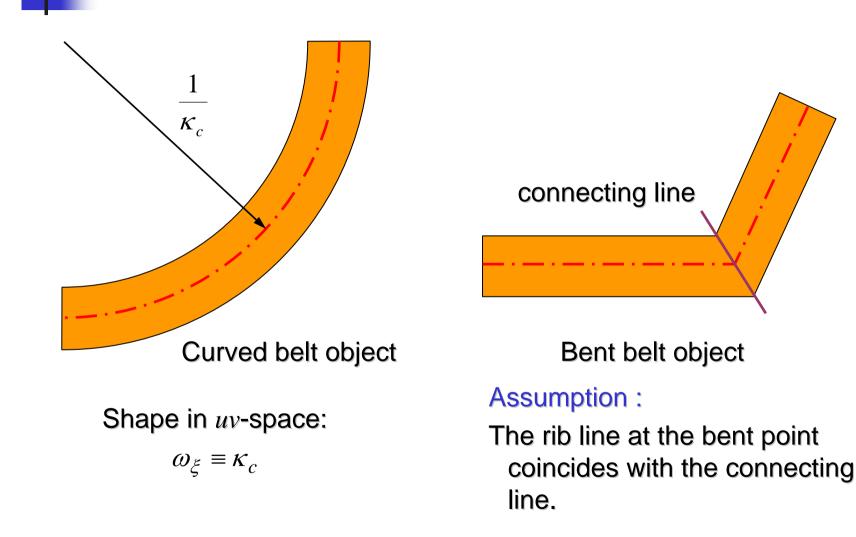




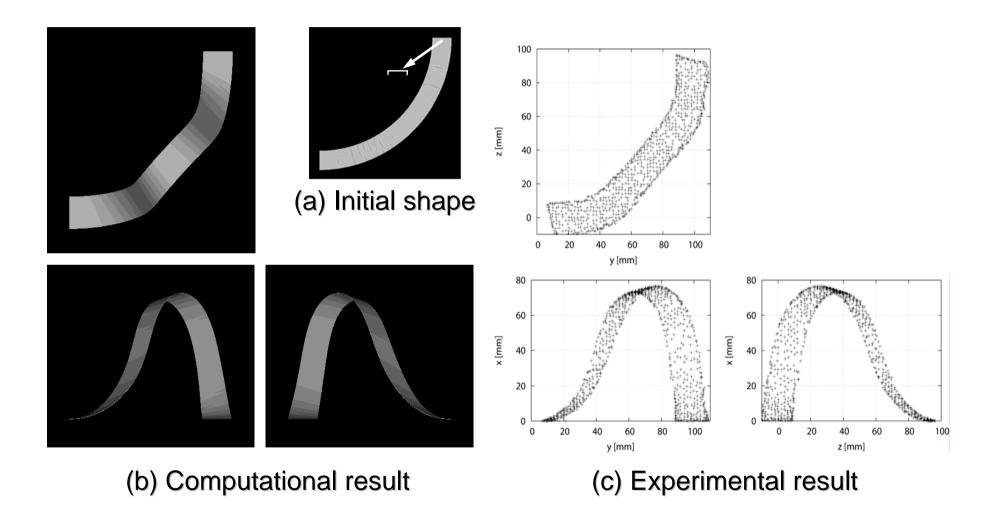




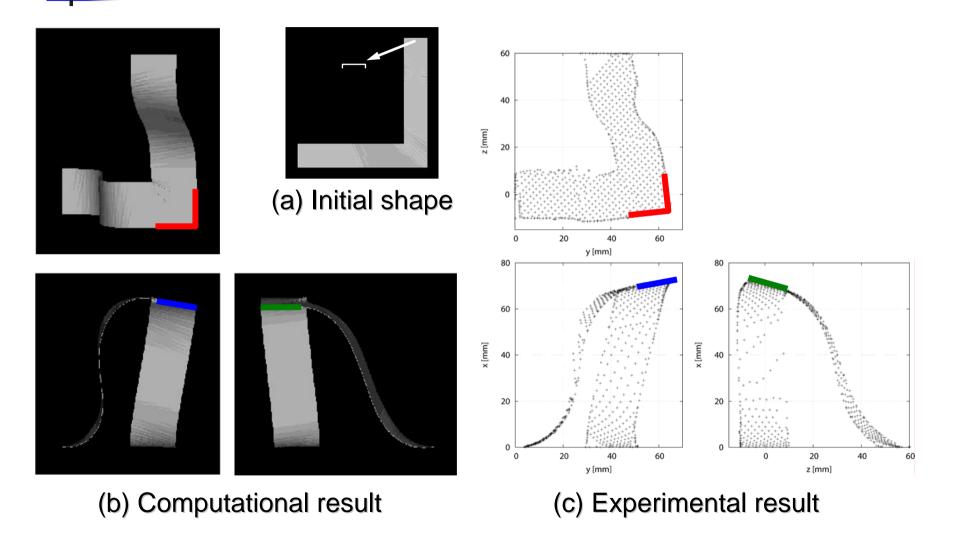
# **Application to Curved/Bent Belt Object**



## **Deformed Shape of Curved Belt Object**



## **Deformed Shape of Bent Belt Object**



# Conclusions

A modeling method of linear/belt object deformation based on differential geometry was proposed.

- Differential geometry was extended to describe linear object deformation including flexure, torsion, and extension.
- The shape of a linear object can be described by four independent variables if it is extensible and by three otherwise.
- It was shown that more complex shapes such as knots and knitted fabrics also can be computed using our proposed approach.
- This approach was applied to deformation of an inextensible belt object.
- It was found that the belt object shape can be described by two independent variables.

