

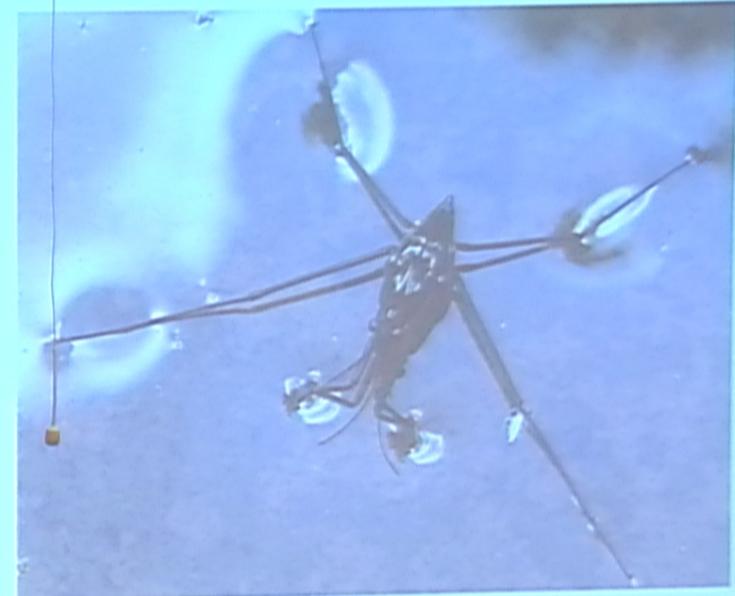
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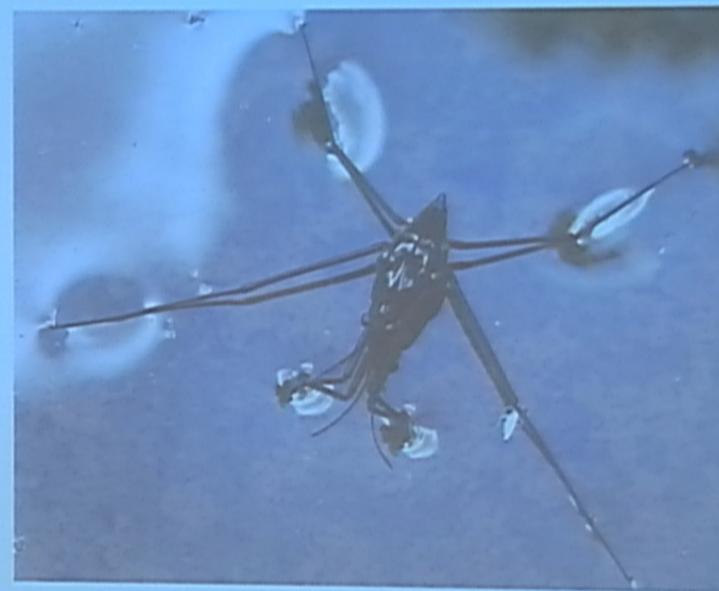
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Abstract:

water strider

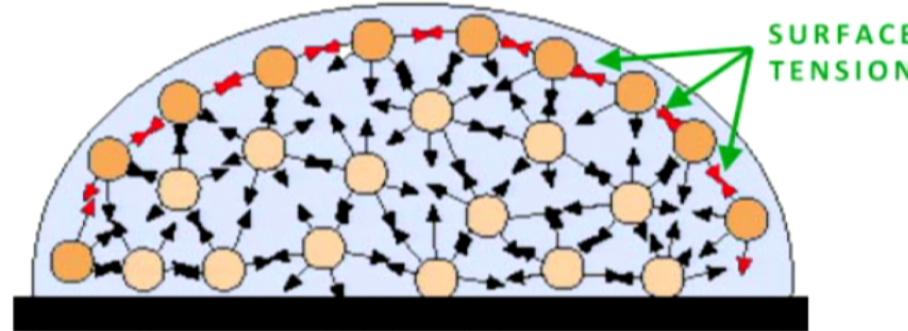


Water Slider



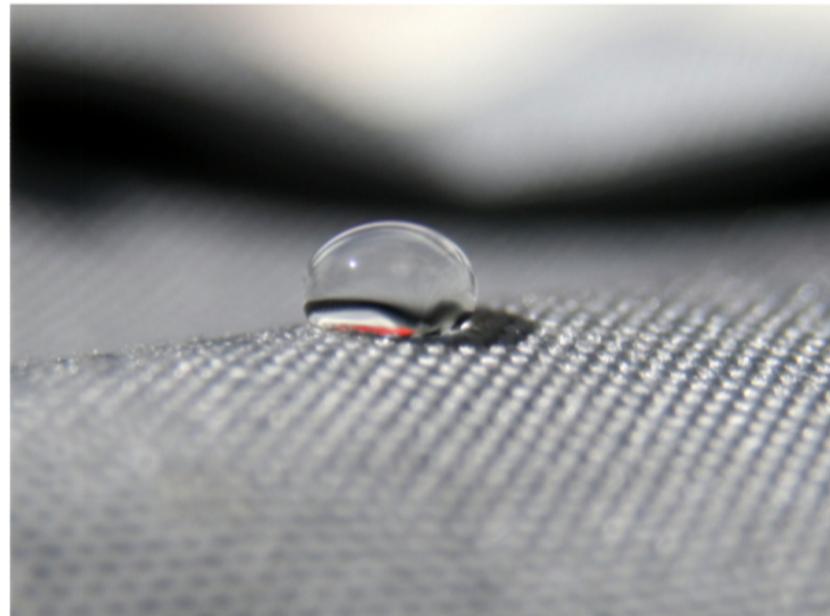
Surface Tension γ

- Property of the surface of a liquid to resist an external force.
- Caused by the attraction of molecules in the surface layer of the liquid.

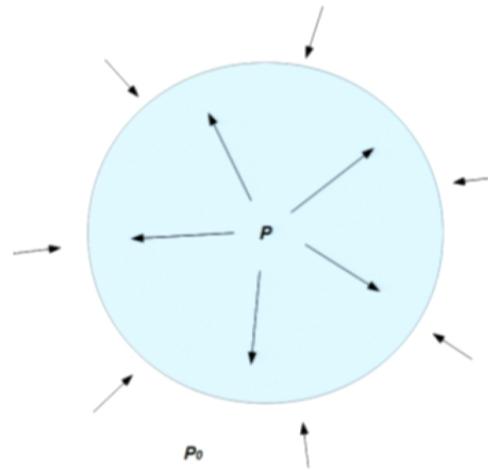


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γ provides the necessary wall tension for the formation of liquid droplets.

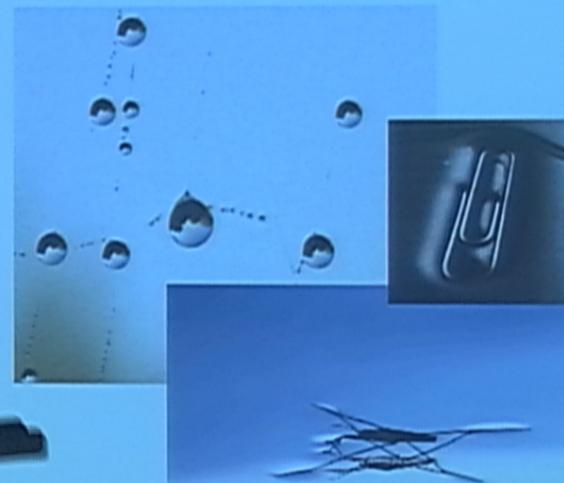


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$$dW = \gamma dA - \Delta p dV$$
$$\implies \Delta p = \frac{2\gamma}{R}$$

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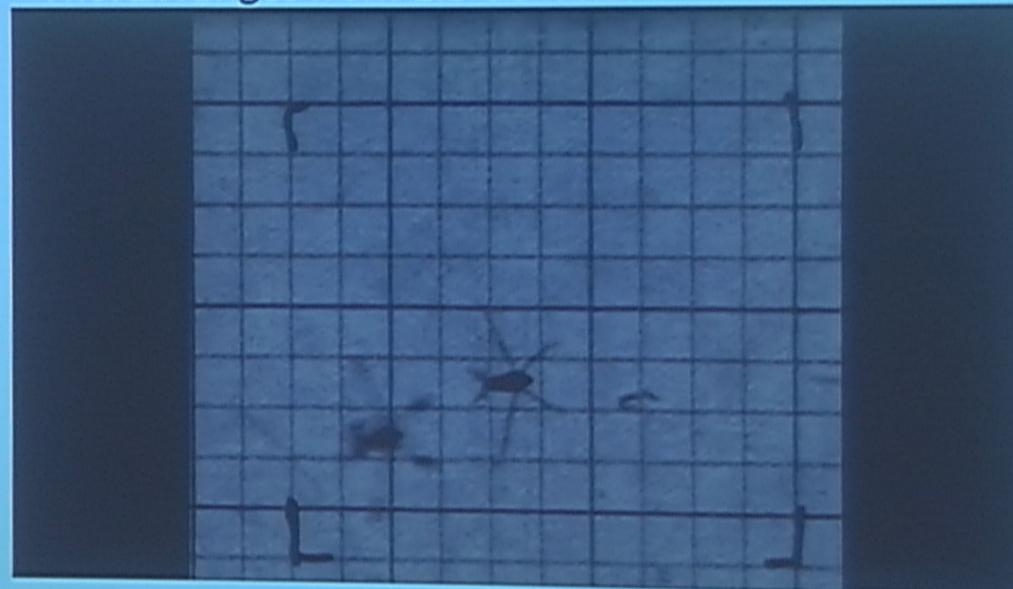
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- Covered in hairpiles to help float
- Thorax ranges from 1.6-36 mm



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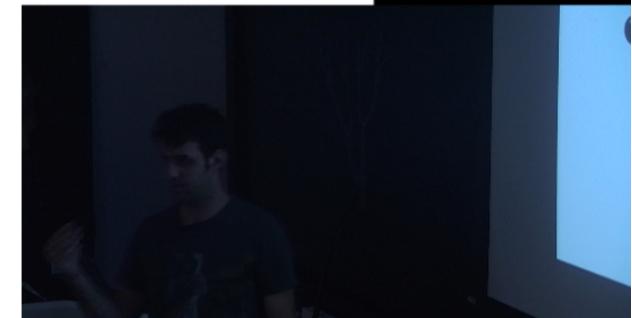
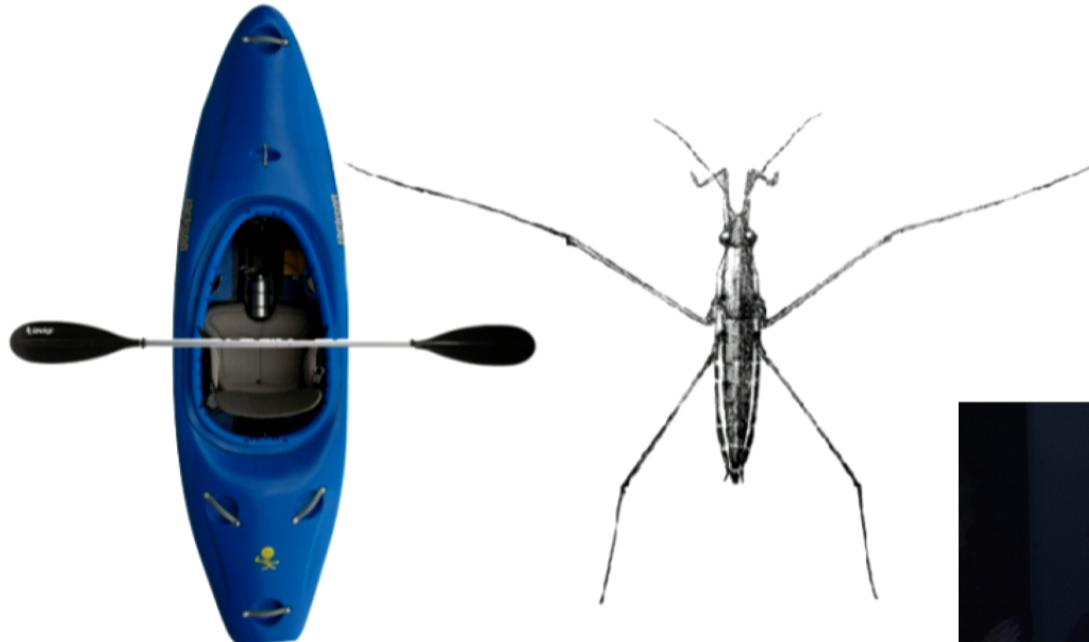
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- Diameter of water strider legs ~40 μm

=> Rowing a kayak using a twig with diameter of 1cm



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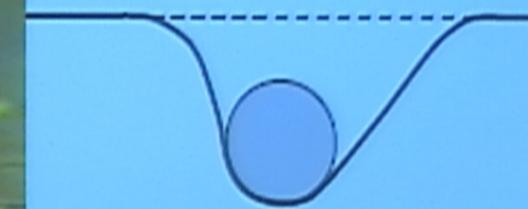
The kick

- The average duration of a leg stroke~0.01s
=>momentum transfer of 0.5 g.cm/s



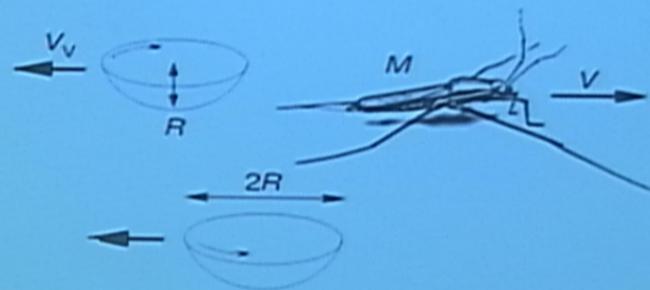
Making a better paddle

- Deformation of the water surface creates a meniscus 0.1cm deep.



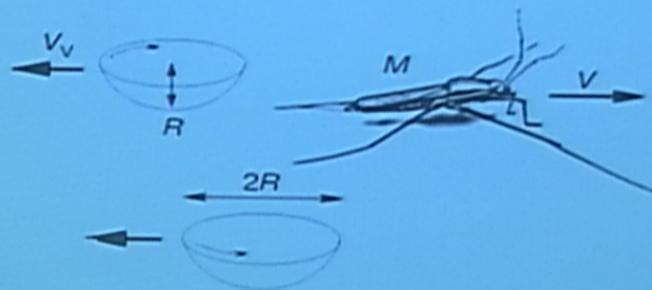
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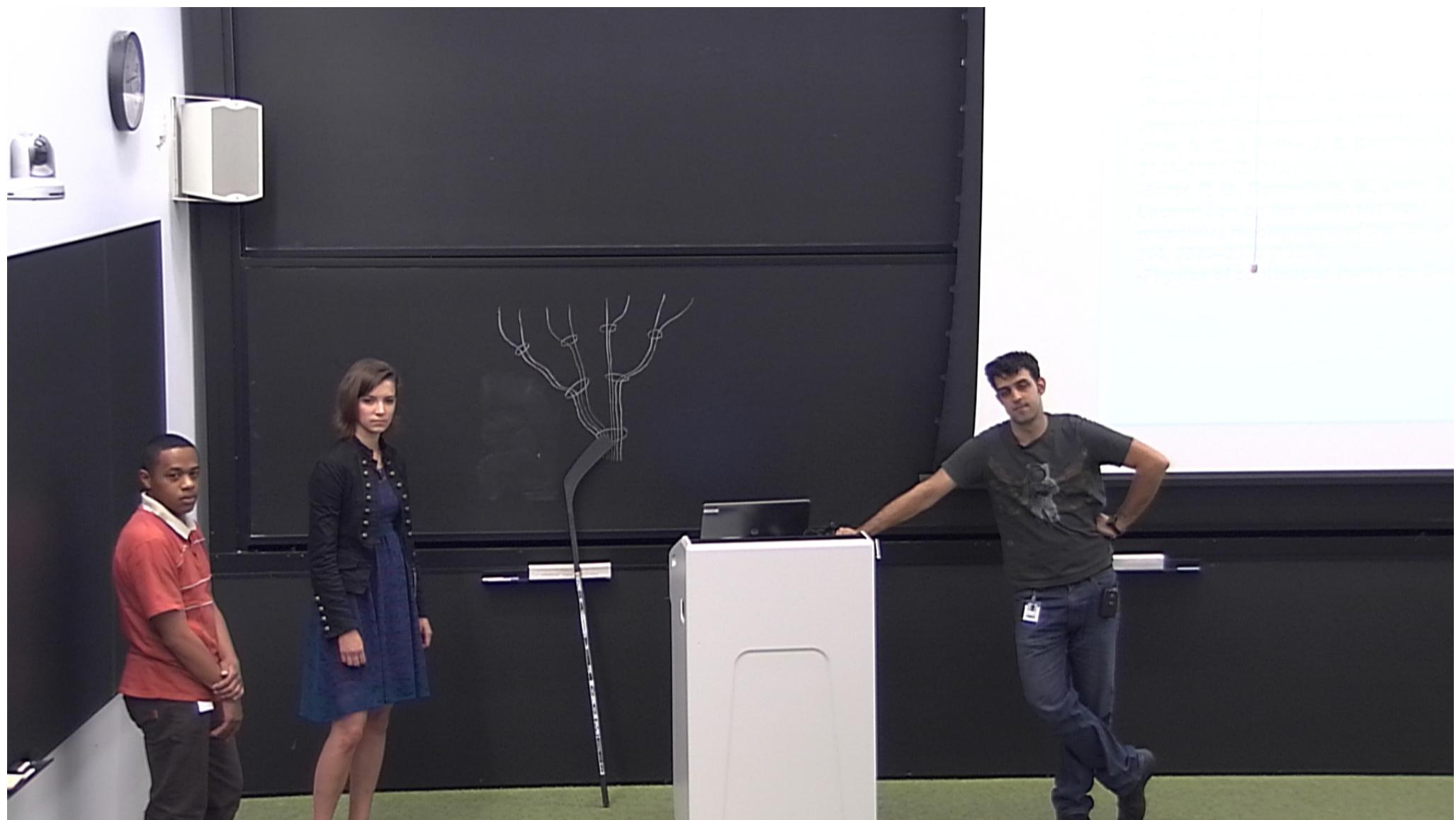
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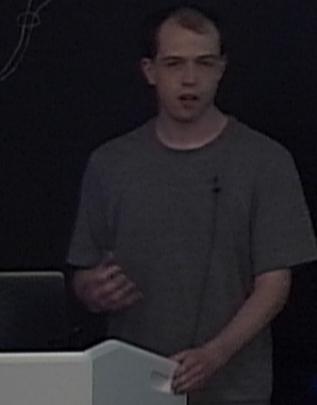
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Introduction

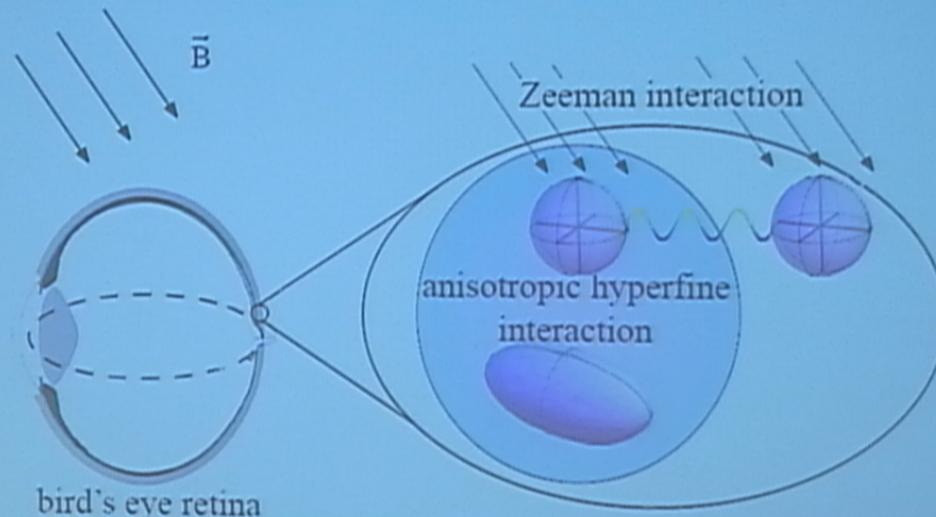
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- Experiments on bird navigation
- Radical pair model
- Quantum Entanglement
- Alternative models



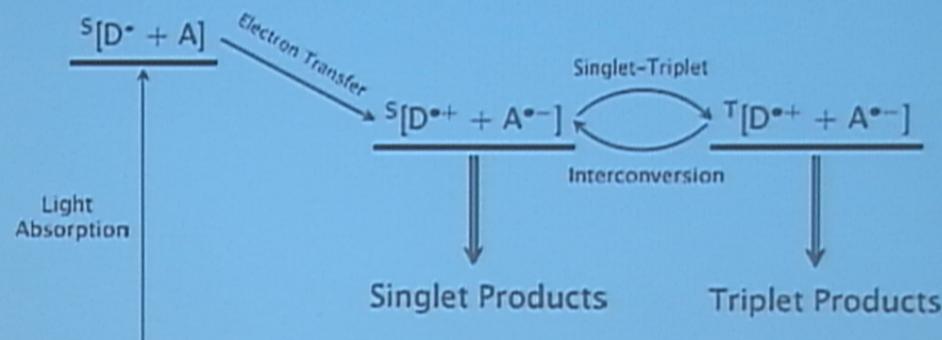
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Bird's Eye Physics

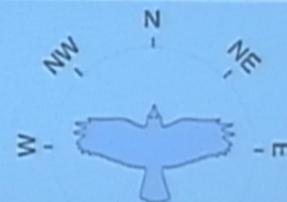
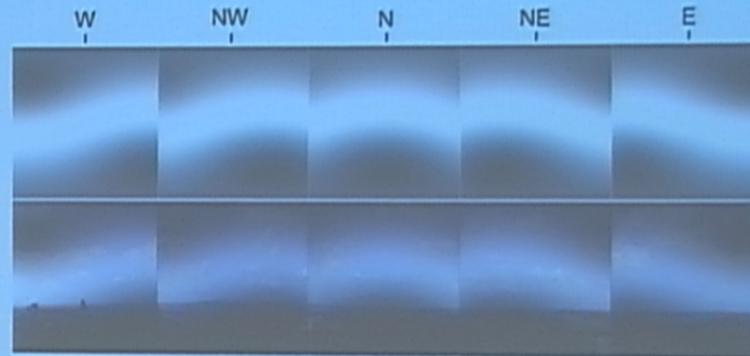


Radical Pair

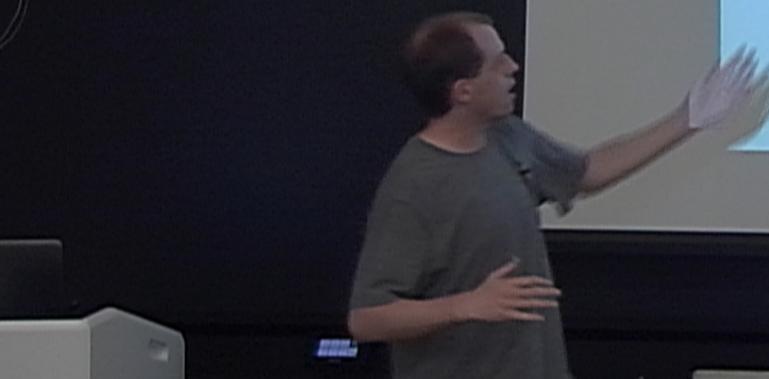
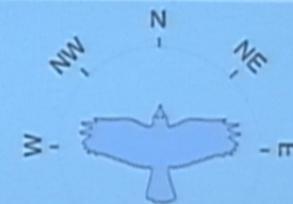
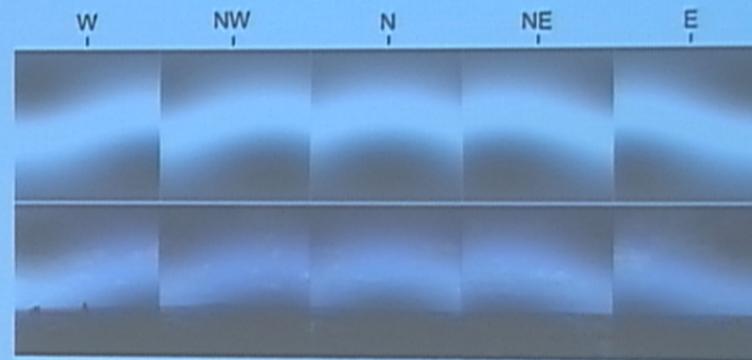


$$\begin{aligned} |1,1\rangle &= \uparrow\uparrow \\ |1,0\rangle &= (\uparrow\downarrow + \downarrow\uparrow)/\sqrt{2} \\ |1,-1\rangle &= \downarrow\downarrow \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} s=1 \quad (\text{triplet}) \\ |0,0\rangle = (\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow)/\sqrt{2} \end{array} \right\} \quad s=0 \quad (\text{singlet})$$

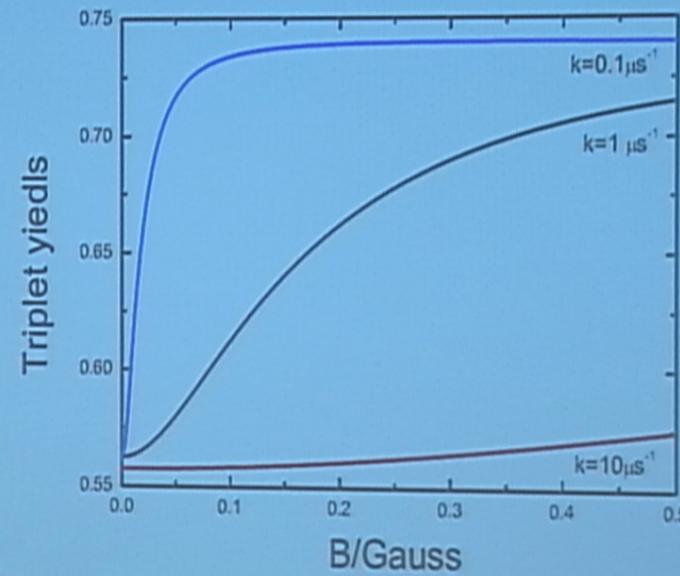
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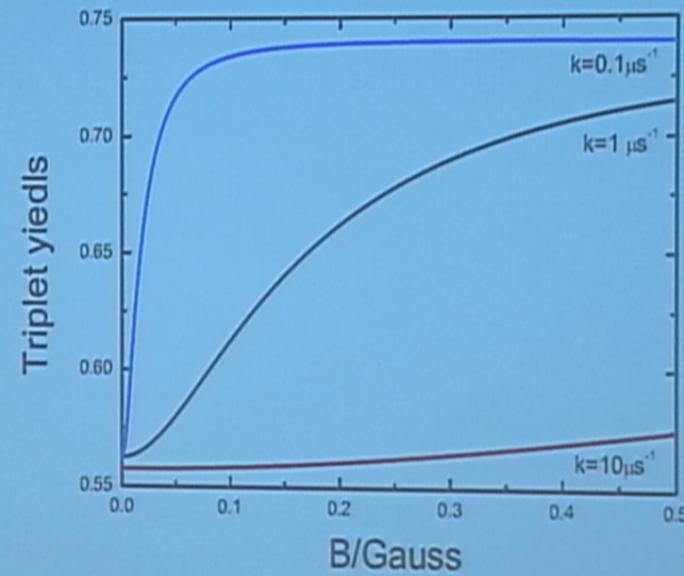
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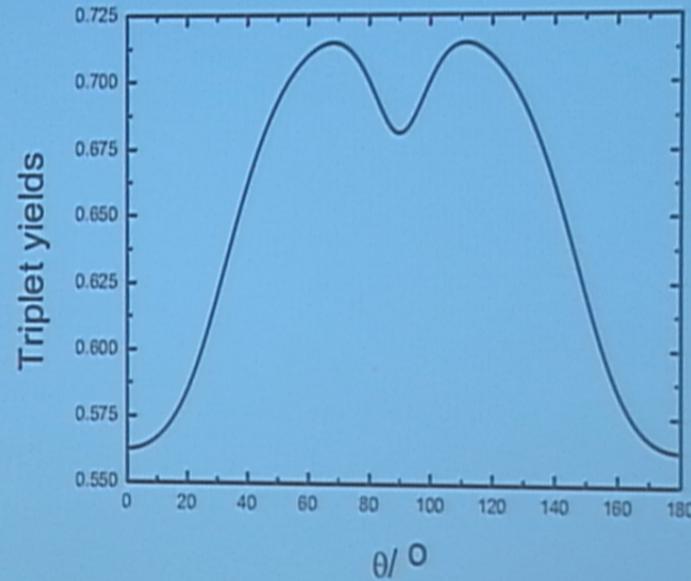
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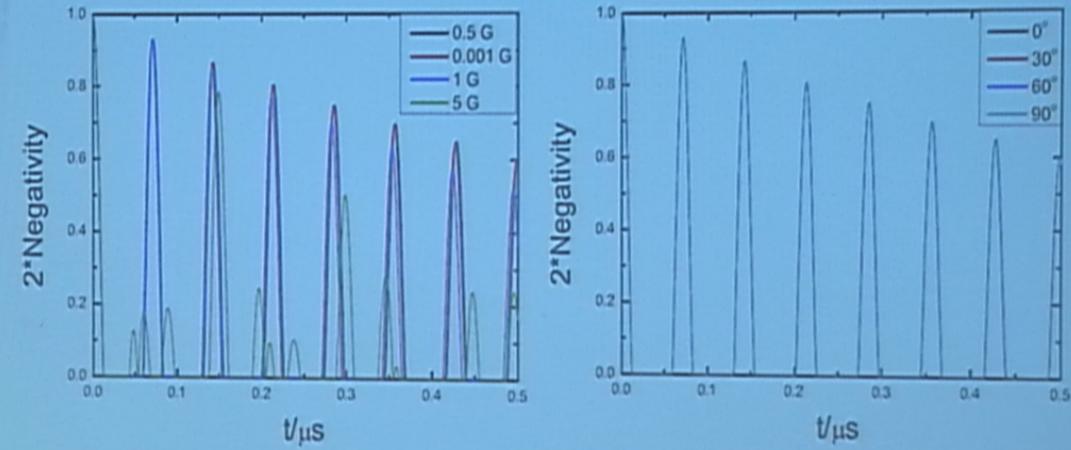
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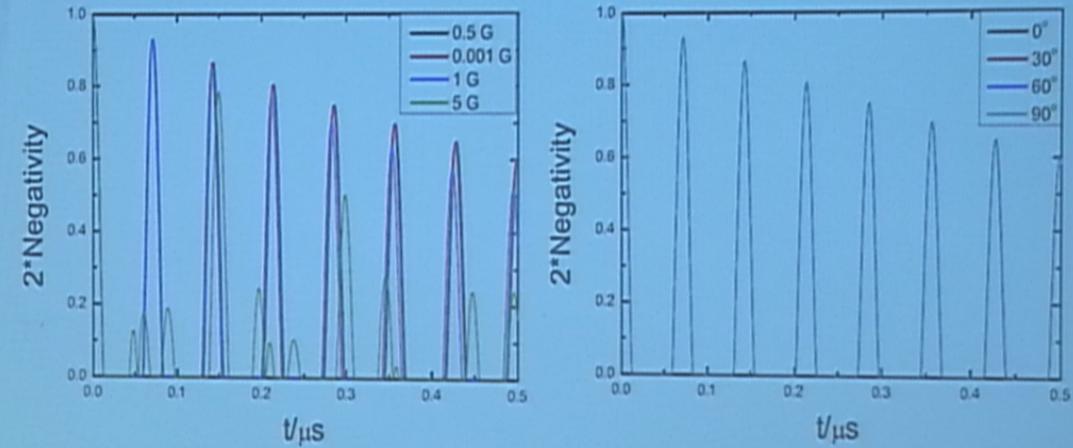
Angular Sensitivity



Entanglement

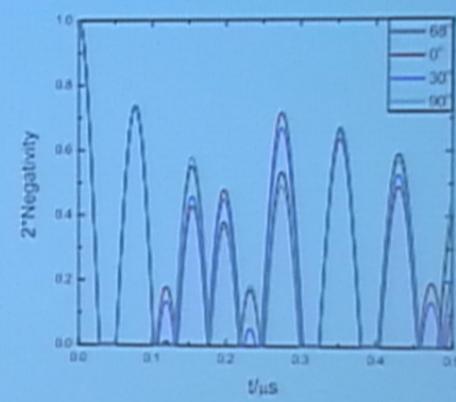
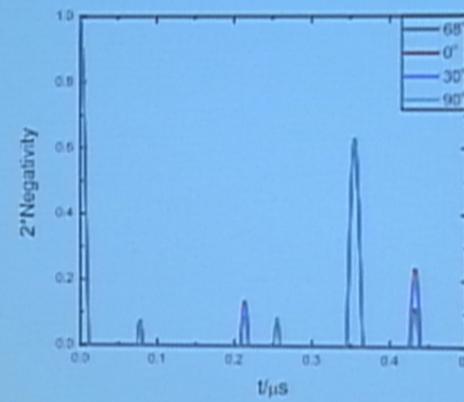


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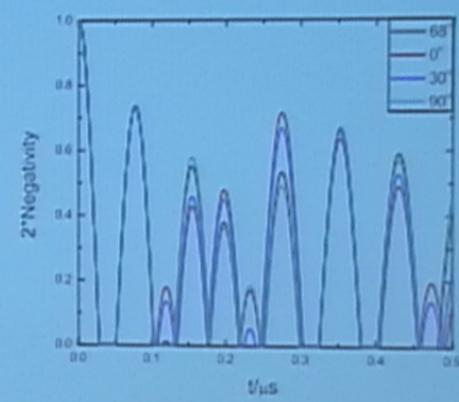
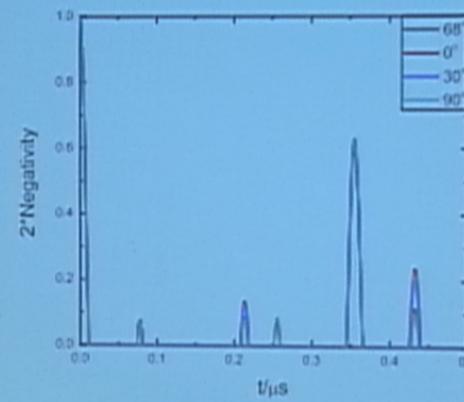




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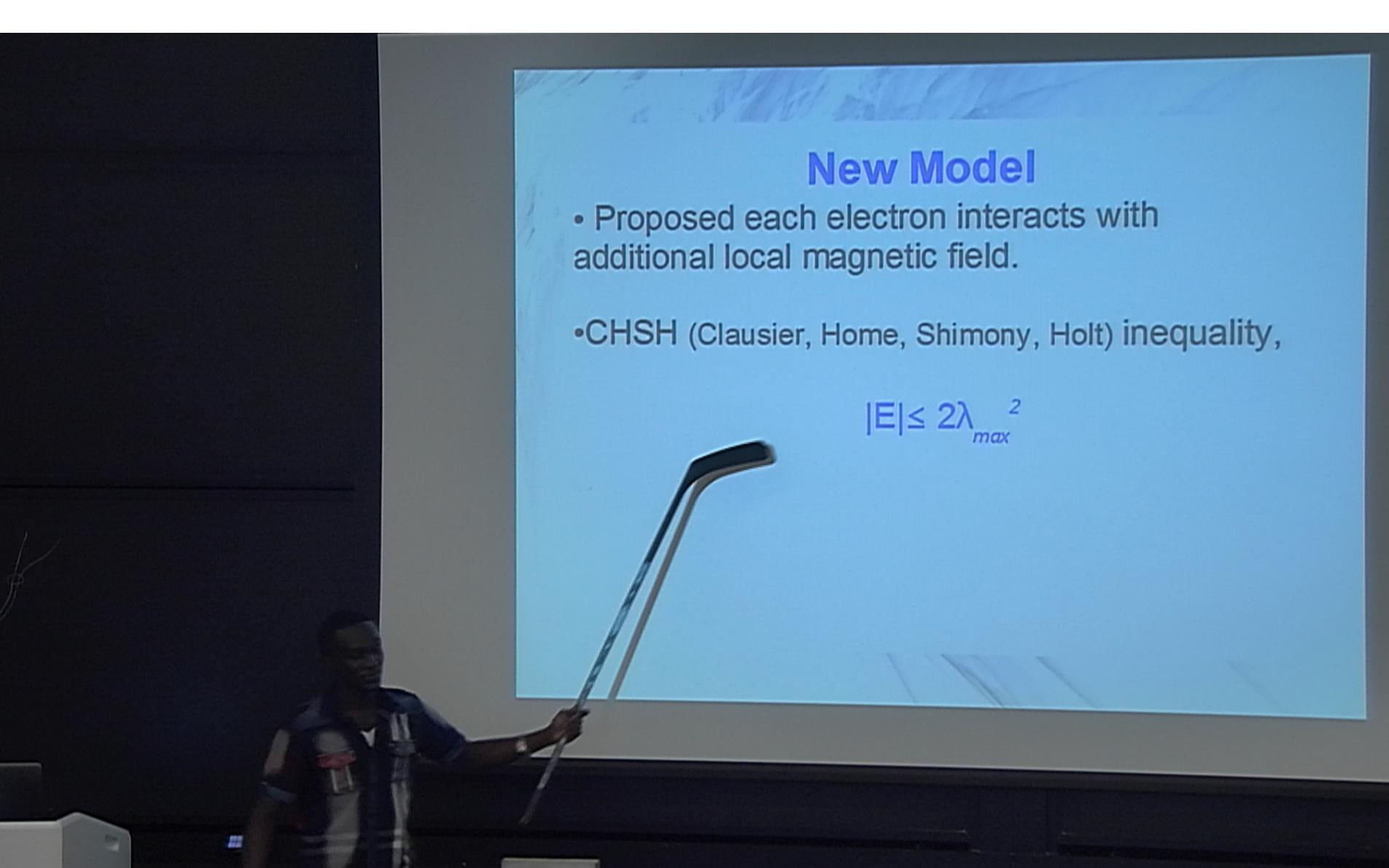
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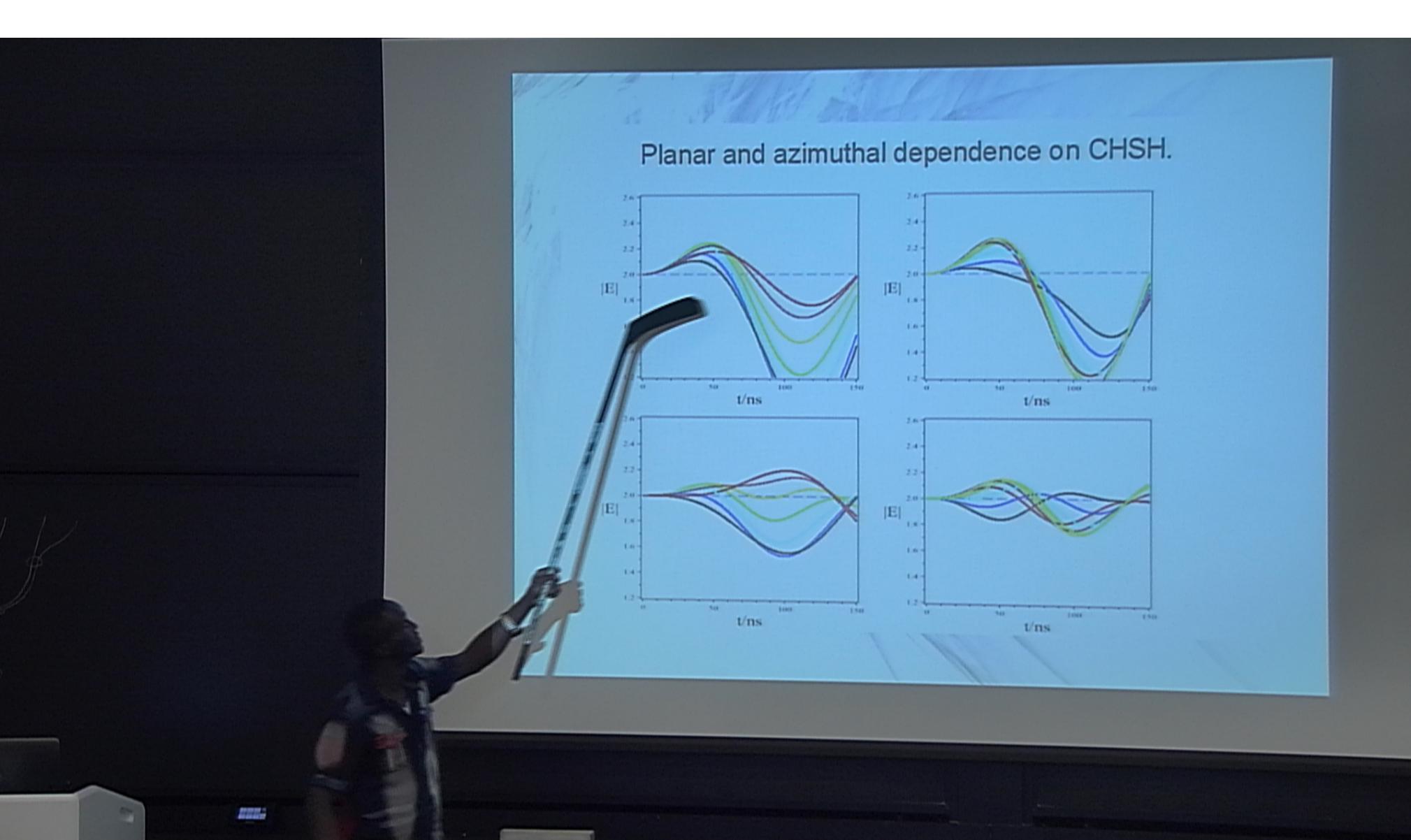
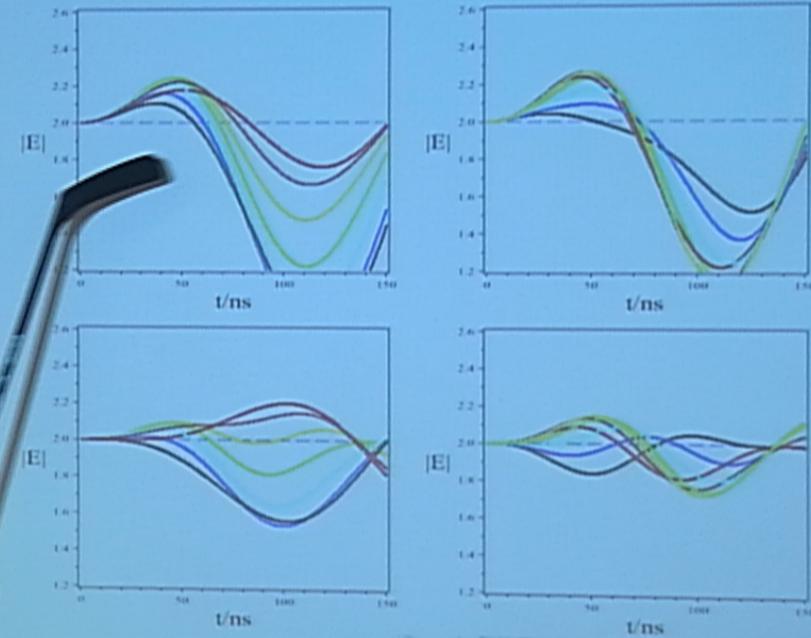
New Model

- Proposed each electron interacts with additional local magnetic field.
- CHSH (Clauser, Horne, Shimony, Holt) inequality,

$$|E| \leq 2\lambda_{max}^2$$



Planar and azimuthal dependence on CHSH.



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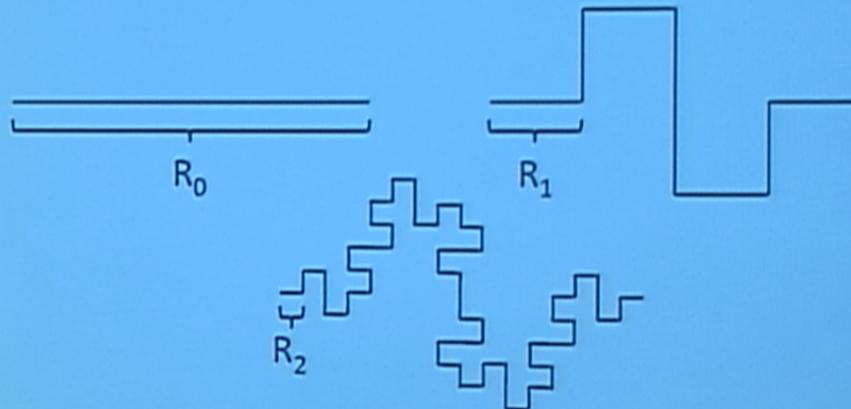
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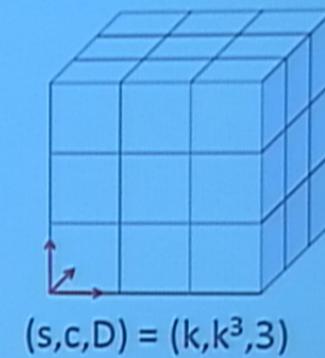
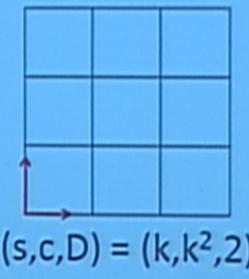
s = scaling factor; c = # copies; $(s,c) = (4,8)$



$$R_N = R_0/s^N; \quad L_N = L_0 c^N/s^N \longrightarrow L/L_0 = (R/R_0)^{1-D}$$

$$\text{Fractal Dimension } D = \log c / \log s$$

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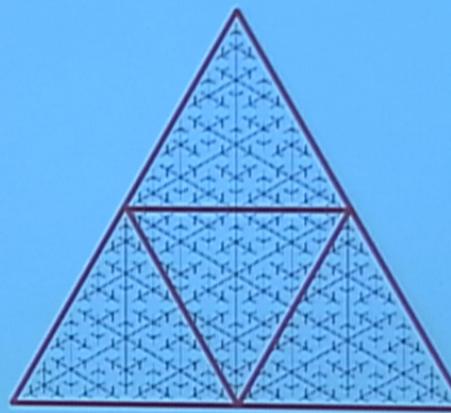


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 $(s,c,D) = (k,k,1)$



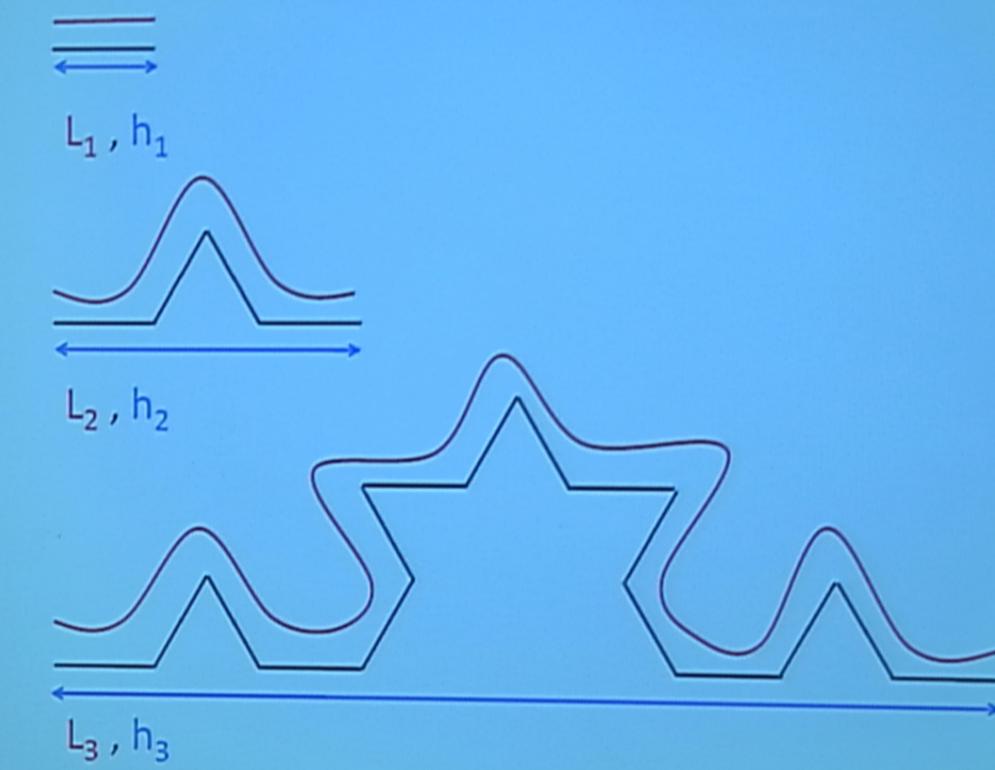
Space Filling

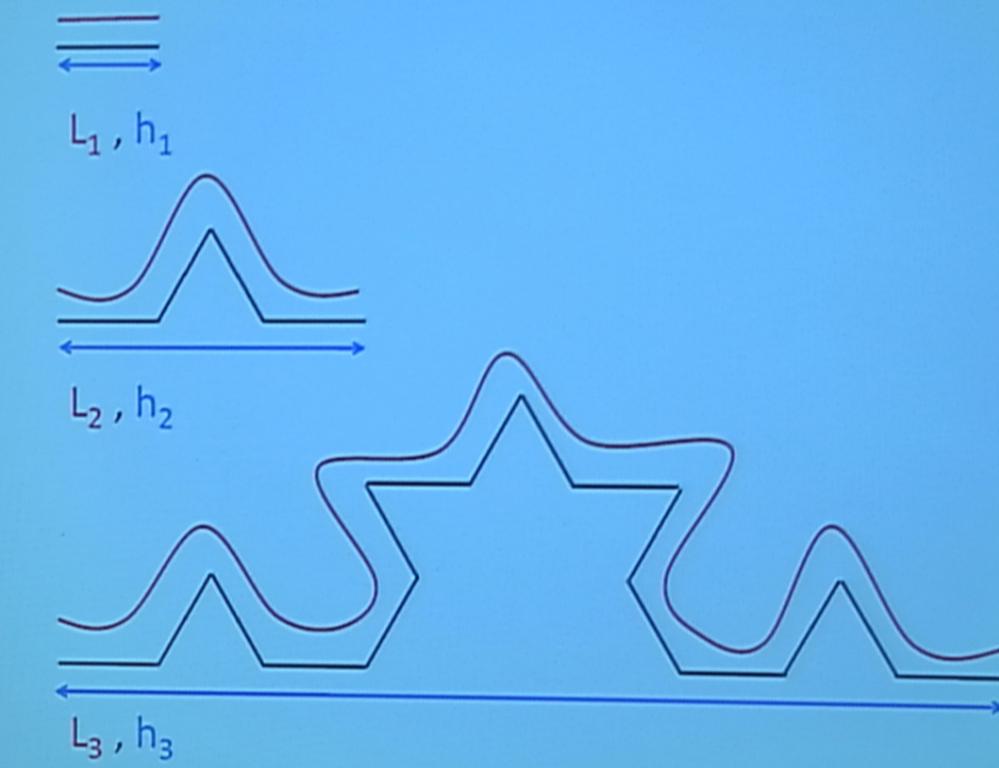
s = scaling factor c = # copies $D = \log c / \log s$



$s = 2$, $c = 4$, $D = \log(4)/\log(2) = 2$

http://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Space_Filling_Tree_Tri5.png



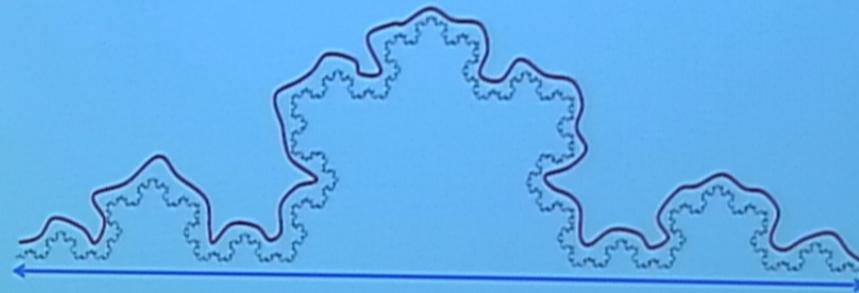


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$$L_N = c^{N-1} = (s^{N-1})^{\log c / \log s} = h_N^D$$



Geometric

L_i =Geometric length scales

$$L_1 \rightarrow \lambda L_1$$

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Optimal Scaling

$$\log\left(\frac{a}{v}\right) = b = \frac{2+\varepsilon_a}{1+\varepsilon_l+2+\varepsilon_a}$$

so $a \propto M^b$



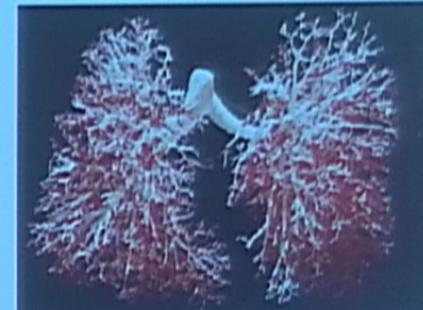
Evolution=Optimization

Effective area is maximized

$$b \equiv \frac{2 + \epsilon_a}{3 + \epsilon_a + \epsilon_l} \quad (1)$$

when $\epsilon_l = 0$ and $\epsilon_a = 1 - 0 \Rightarrow b = \frac{3}{4}$

- $\epsilon_l = 0$ implies $d_l = 1$ ⇒ distances in the network are not fractal. Path length is minimized, consistently.
- $\epsilon_a = 1 \Rightarrow d_a = 3$ i.e. The effective surface area is maximally fractal and scales as a volume.

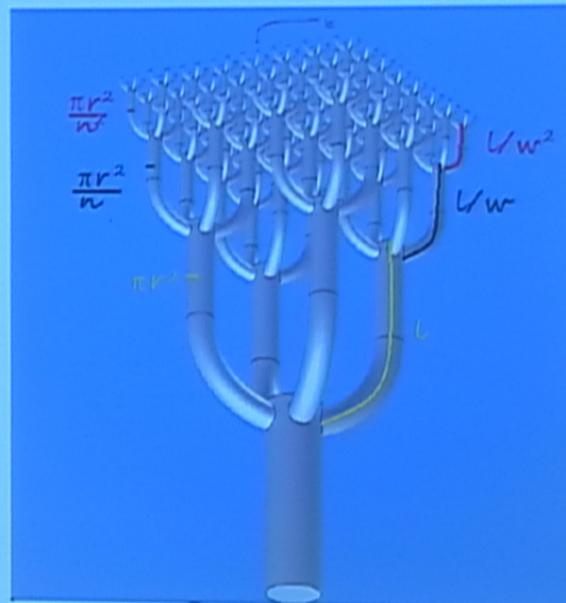


Evolution=Optimization

- The biological volume scales as $v' = \lambda^4 v$
therefore $l \propto M^{1/4}$
- The number of invariant units scales as
 $M^{3/4}$

Discussion: Trees

The number of invariant units scales as $M^{3/4}$



$$\sqrt{n} > w$$

(3)

Real trees

Metabolic scaling of leaf area, la , versus above ground total plant mass, mt , $la \propto mt^{\alpha_{la,mt}}$. Pooled data of Norway spruce ($n = 280$), European beech ($n = 145$), Scots pine ($n = 31$), and Sessile oak ($n = 52$). SMA regression of leaf area, la , versus total aboveground mass, mt , yields $\alpha_{la,mt} = 0.74 \pm 0.016$. The fit of the inserted regression line yielded $\ln(la) = -0.0176 + 0.7418 \times \ln(mt)$.

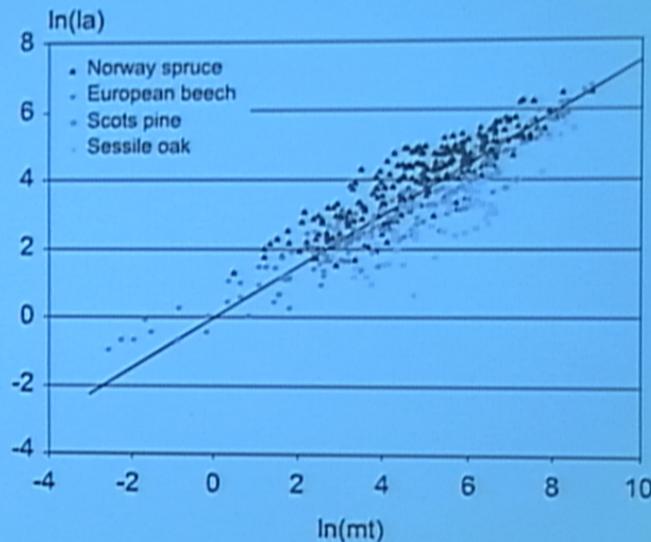


Figure 2: Measurements of real effective area vs. effective volume

H. Pretzsch et al., Growth and Defence in Plants, Ecological Studies Volume 220, 2012, pp 287-310

Argument Source

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