

# 計算幾何学特論：計算折り紙入門

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# 今日のトピック

## 昨日: 複数の凸多面体が折れる展開図の研究

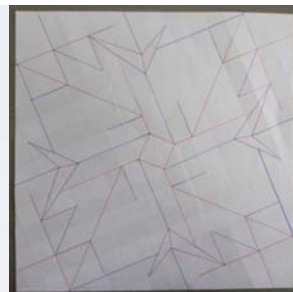
- 展開図と立体のとても悩ましい関係: 最大の未解決問題
- 与えられた「展開図」を折って作れる(凸)「立体」

## 今日: 「折り」のアルゴリズムと計算量の関係

- 折り紙の基本操作
- 折り紙のアルゴリズムと計算量
  - ◆ 1次元の紙における効率のよい折り方(アルゴリズムと計算量)
  - ◆ 1次元の紙における計算不可能性(計算の理論)

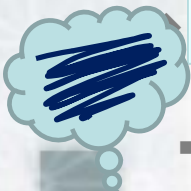
まだ2次元にすら  
達してません...

# 今日の話の背景

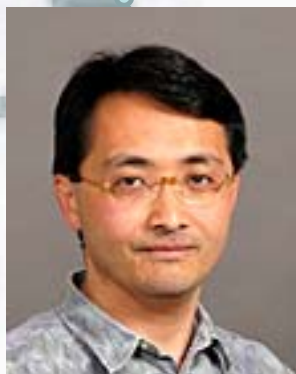


川崎ローズ

- ◆ 2008年6月22日、  
第4回「折り紙の科学・数学・教育研究会」にて、、、
  - ◆ 川崎敏和氏(数学者だけど川崎ローズの作者として有名)いわく:  
「数学者としては、解の**存在**さえわかれば、あとはどうでもいい」



- 計算機科学者である上原は...



- 解の**求め方**とその  
**計算コスト**が大切!!
  - 良いアルゴリズム
  - 計算量的な困難さ

どうでもいい余談  
九州大学の川崎英文先生とは双子です。



# 計算量の理論とアルゴリズム理論

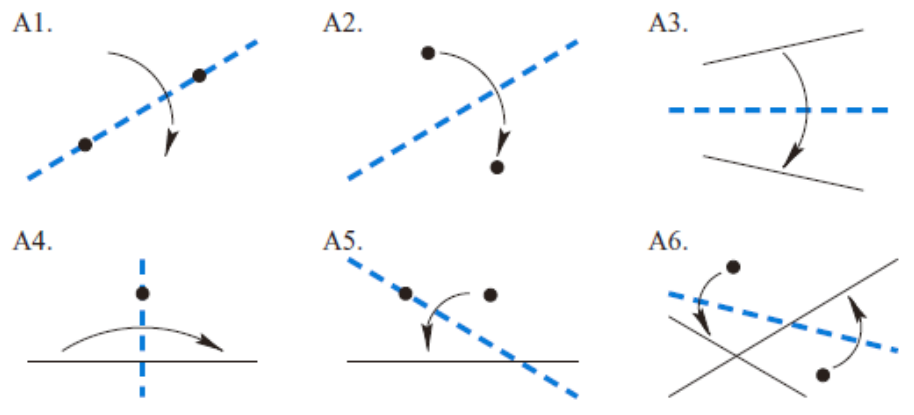
## ➤ 理論計算機科学の基礎理論

- 基準となるマシンモデル：
  - 共通の「基本演算」に関する合意が必要
    - ◆ チューリングマシン
    - ◆ VRAMモデル
- アルゴリズム
  - ◆ 基本演算をどのような手順で組み合わせるか？
- アルゴリズムの計算量
  - ◆ 時間計算量: 基本演算の回数で効率を測る
  - ◆ 領域計算量: 計算に必要な記憶領域で効率を測る

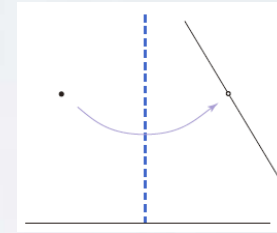
# “Complexity” of folding...?

## ➤ Computation Model:

- We have “7 axioms” in origami society
- We have “standard operation set”



Huzita's six axioms.



Hatori's axiom A7..

These 7 axioms can solve quartic equations.  
(More powerful than “ruler and compass” construction)



# “Complexity” of folding...?

➤ We may measure it by...

1. The number of folding operations
  - Natural analogue of “time complexity”
2. The number of paper layers
  - ◆ Many layers cause problem.
  - “Folding paper in half 12 times”
3. The area you need to fold??...

We may have another measure corresponding to “space complexity”

## Folding Paper in Half 12 Times

The story of an impossible challenge solved at the Historical Society office

Alice laughed: "There's no use trying," she said; "one can't believe impossible things." "I daresay you haven't had much practice," said the Queen.

*Through the Looking Glass* by L. Carroll

## BRITNEY'S FOLDING RECORD STILL HOLDS

The long standing challenge was that a *single* piece of paper, no matter the size, cannot be *folded* in half more than 7 or 8 times. Recently, reports have been made that Britney's paper folding record of folding a piece of paper in half 12 times has been broken. These current attempts, though laudable and will eventually be



Photo of the 11th Fold, One More to go.

# “Complexity” of folding...?

➤ 折り紙の計算量的な複雑さを考えるにあたって、  
妥当なモデルとは？

## 1. 最も単純なモデル: 1次元・等間隔・折り紙

◆ 長い紙テープ上に、等間隔に折り目をつける/与えられる

### ● 拡張の方向は二つ

◆ 折り目が等間隔でなくてもよい

◆ (斜めも許す?)

◆ 2次元への拡張

今は、  
まだほぼ  
このあたり!

# 1. The number of operations

➤ ...corresponds to “time complexity”

➤ My paper:

- J. Cardinal, E. D. Demaine, M. L. Demaine, S. Imahori, T. Ito, M. Kiyomi, S. Langerman, R. Uehara, and T. Uno: Algorithmic Folding Complexity, *Graphs and Combinatorics*, Vol. 27, pp. 341-351, 2011.



The 7<sup>th</sup> EATCS/LA Presentation Award!



# 1. The number of operations

- 1D origami
- Creases are at regular intervals

## *Algorithmic Folding Complexity:*

- **Input:** paper strip of length  $n+1$  with M/V assignment of the strip
- **Question:** How many folding operations you need to make the given creases?
- **Rules:**
  - ◆ Simple folding (flat  $\rightarrow$  flat)
  - ◆ All unfolding at once with no cost!
  - ◆ Each crease remembers the last direction.

# 1. The number of operations

## ➤ *Algorithmic Folding Complexity:*

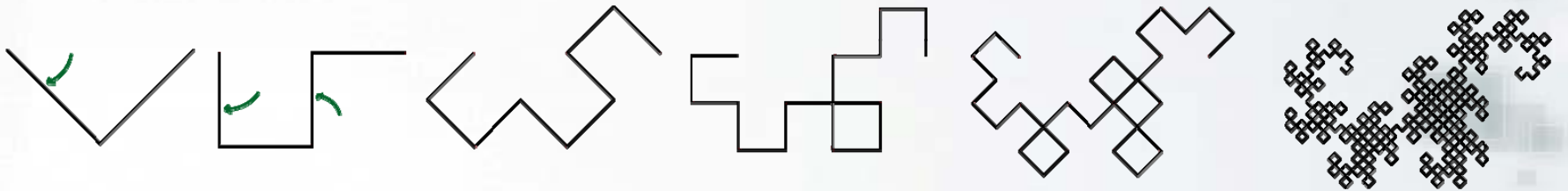
### ● Rules:

- ◆ Simple folding (flat → flat)
- ◆ All unfolding (at once with no cost!)
- ◆ Each crease remembers the last direction.

### ● Two trivial bounds:

- ◆ Lower bound:  $\log n$  operations needed to make  $n$  creases.
- ◆ Upper bound: any pattern can be made by  $n$  operations.

Dragon curves



# 1. The number of operations



Our  $3 \log^2 n / 2$  algorithm for pleats is not so simple... ;-)

## Algorithmic Folding Complexity:

● Non trivial results:

◆ For pleats:

- ◆ Upper bound:  $O(\log^2 n)$
- ◆ Lower bound:  $\Omega(\log^2 n / \log \log n)$

◆ General pattern:

- ◆ Almost all patterns require  $\Omega(n / \log n)$  folds
- ◆ General algorithm folds any pattern in  $O(n / \log n)$  folds

Exceptionally simple pattern.

Gap  $\doteq 4$

of it. The algorithm consists of three steps:

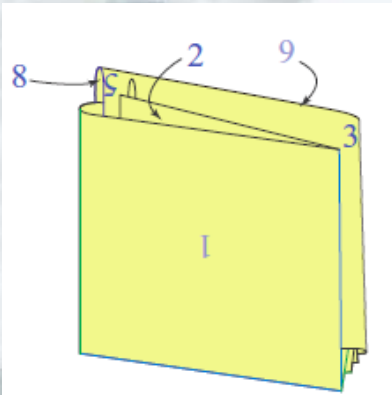
Step 0. Repeat folding at the middle crease  $k - 3$  times. After that, we have the pattern "[xxx]" of length 4 on the paper. Then mountain-fold three times and obtain "[MMM]". Next, unfold the paper and obtain the sequence "+MMM+VVV+MMM+VVV+MMM+VVV+..."

Step 1. In order to pile all patterns "VVV" at the same place, repeat folding  $k - 3$  times at the middle crease in the "MMM" pattern which is the closest one to the center of the paper. (Note that this step requires  $k - 3$  foldings; since the "MMM" pattern closest to the center of the paper is not on the center exactly. Hence the algorithm first folds  $k - 4$  times, and the last one folding is done to fix the length to 8.) After that, we have the pattern "[M+VVV+M]" of length 8. Then mountain-fold five times at each place with label "V", "+", and obtain "[MMMMMMM]". Unfold the paper and obtain the sequence "VM+MMMMMMM+MVVVVVM+MMMMMMM+MVVVVVM+M..."

Step 2. Repeat Step 1; precisely, (1) pile all patterns "VVV...V" at the same place by repeatedly folding at the middle crease in the pattern "MMM...M" that is the closest to the center, and (2) mountain-fold at each place with label "V" or "+", and unfold the paper.

Step 1 is repeatedly performed for each  $i = 2, 3, 4, \dots, k - 2$ . Finally, when  $i = k - 2$ , the number of consecutive patterns of "V" becomes one, fix it, and algorithm halts.

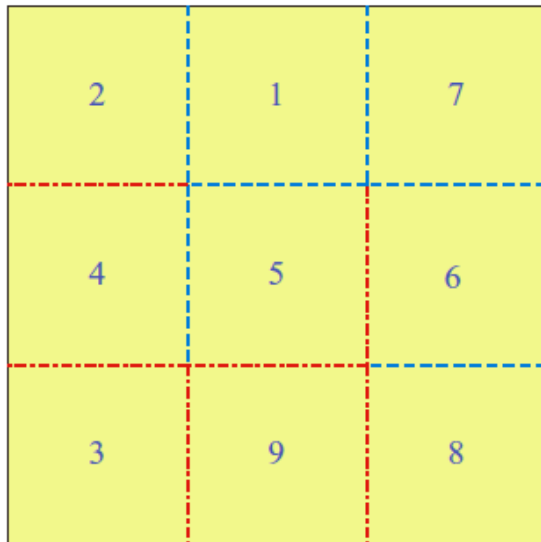
# 1. The number of operations



## ➤ *Algorithmic Folding Complexity:*

### ● Future works

- ◆ Fill the gaps between upper/lower bounds
- ◆ Different folding model (not 'simple' fold model)
  - ◆ How about counting "unfold operations"?
- ◆ Non-regular creases
- ◆ 2 dimensional ( $\sim$  "map folding problem")



### [Map Folding Problem]

Given M/V assignment for a map of size  $n \times m$ , determine if it can be folded into size  $1 \times 1$ .

- Poly time if only simple folds are allowed
- Poly time for  $2 \times n$ . but it takes  $O(n^9)$  [Morgan 2012]

## 2. The number of paper layers

### “Crease width”の導入

#### 2.1. The number of paper layers at the crease;

- 1D origami
- Creases are at regular intervals

- Minimize the total/maximum crease width.
- My papers:
  - T. Umesato, T. Saitoh, R. Uehara, H. Ito, and Y. Okamoto: Complexity of the stamp folding problem, *Theoretical Computer Science*, Vol. 497, pp. 13-19, 2012.
  - R. Uehara, On stretch minimization problem on unit strip paper, *CCCG 2010*, 2010, pp. 223–226.

## 2. The number of paper layers

### ➤ そもそもその前に...?

#### 2.1. 与えられたパターンに合致する折り方は...?

- 与えられた山谷パターンに合う折り方の個数とは？
- “Stamp folding”問題:

The number  $F(n)$  of folding ways of strip length  $n$

- Better bounds for long standing open problem as
$$\underline{3.06^n} \leq F(n) \leq 4^n$$
- My paper:
  - R. Uehara, Stamp foldings with a given mountain–valley assignment, in: ORIGAMI<sup>5</sup>, CRC Press, 2011, pp. 585–597.



## 2. The number of paper layers

➤ How can we estimate thickness...?

### 2.1. “Crease width”: **Survey of results**

- Find the “best” folding way to minimize the maximum crease width is NP-complete.
- We give a simple FPT algorithm w.r.t. the total crease width.

## 2. The number of paper layers

### ➤ How can we estimate thickness...?

#### 2.1. “Crease width”: **Future works**

- Better bounds for “stamp folding”
- Better FPT algorithm?
- 2 dimensional extension...?
- Non regular creases...?
  - In regular creases, all creases are piled on two endpoints, which makes the problem “local” problem.

#### 2.2. “Non regular creases...”

- Different criteria (we must consider “**global**” structure)
- **WALCOM 2015@Bangladesh (02/26-02/28)!!**

# Future work

## 3. The area you need to fold? Other measure?

- We need natural analogue of “space complexity?”  
... that have “time-space trade-offs?”
- Many unsolved problems from the viewpoint of theoretical computer science, namely,
  - Algorithms
  - Computational complexity.
- Extension to 2-dimension, non-unit creases, some models of folding ways...

# Complexity of Origami folding: Conclusion

Goal would be to answer:

“which is more complex?”



Kawasaki Rose

You have to fold simultaneously in 3D!  
But I can fold it in 10 min  
without textbook.

You have to fold many times  
with accuracy! I need more  
than 40 min to fold with  
textbook still now!



Maekawa Devil

# 今日の予定

## 「折り」のアルゴリズムと計算量の関係

1. 折り紙の基本操作(済み)
2. 折り紙のアルゴリズムと計算量

現状: まだ1次元の紙(細長い紙)を折る問題

1. 効率のよい折り方(アルゴリズムと計算量)
  - ◆ 切手折り問題に関する未解決問題(組合せ理論)
  - ◆ Folding Complexity (時間計算量に対応する**新概念**)
  - ◆ 最適化問題とNP完全問題と Fixed Parameter Tractability
2. 計算不能性(時間があれば)

2012年3月  
情報処理学会  
山下記念研究賞

