

Scaled vs unscaled model

I will denote all unscaled variables with a hat over top of them, and all scaled variables without (i.e. \hat{R} has units, R does not).

In its most general form, the unscaled model is

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{E}(\hat{R}, \hat{L}; \hat{\psi}(\hat{r}), \delta\hat{\rho}(\hat{z})) &= \frac{2\pi}{\pi\hat{R}^2\hat{L}} \int_0^{\hat{L}} d\hat{z} \int_0^{\hat{R}} \hat{r} d\hat{r} \left[\frac{1}{2} \hat{K}_{22} \left(\hat{\psi}' + \frac{\sin 2\hat{\psi}}{2\hat{r}} - \hat{q} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \hat{K}_{33} \frac{\sin^4 \hat{\psi}}{\hat{r}^2} \right] \\
&+ \frac{\hat{\Lambda}}{2} \frac{2\pi}{\pi\hat{R}^2\hat{L}} \int_0^{\hat{L}} d\hat{z} \int_0^{\hat{R}} \hat{r} d\hat{r} \delta\hat{\rho} \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{\hat{d}_0^2 \cos^2 \hat{\psi}} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \hat{z}^2} \right)^2 \delta\hat{\rho} \\
&+ \hat{\omega} \frac{\pi\hat{R}^2}{\pi\hat{R}^2\hat{L}} \int_0^{\hat{L}} d\hat{z} \delta\hat{\rho}^2 (\delta\hat{\rho}^2 - \hat{\chi}^2) - \frac{(\hat{K}_{22} + \hat{k}_{24})}{\hat{R}^2} \sin \hat{\psi}(\hat{R}) + \frac{2\hat{\gamma}}{\hat{R}} \\
&= \frac{2}{\hat{R}^2} \int_0^{\hat{R}} \hat{r} d\hat{r} \left[\frac{1}{2} \hat{K}_{22} \left(\hat{\psi}' + \frac{\sin 2\hat{\psi}}{2\hat{r}} - \hat{q} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \hat{K}_{33} \frac{\sin^4 \hat{\psi}}{\hat{r}^2} \right] \\
&+ \frac{\hat{\Lambda}}{\hat{R}^2\hat{L}} \int_0^{\hat{L}} d\hat{z} \int_0^{\hat{R}} \hat{r} d\hat{r} \delta\hat{\rho} \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{\hat{d}_0^2 \cos^2 \hat{\psi}} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \hat{z}^2} \right)^2 \delta\hat{\rho} \\
&+ \frac{\hat{\omega}}{\hat{L}} \int_0^{\hat{L}} d\hat{z} \delta\hat{\rho}^2 (\delta\hat{\rho}^2 - \hat{\chi}^2) - \frac{(\hat{K}_{22} + \hat{k}_{24})}{\hat{R}^2} \sin \hat{\psi}(\hat{R}) + \frac{2\hat{\gamma}}{\hat{R}}
\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where I have ignored any surface contributions from the ends of the fibril. I have assumed that $\hat{\chi}^2 > 0$, as the density amplitude term (pre-factor $\hat{\omega}$) would be positive definite if not, meaning no density modulations would occur. The units of $\hat{\Lambda}$ are $\text{pN} \cdot \mu\text{m}^8$, the units of $\hat{\omega}$ are $\text{pN} \cdot \mu\text{m}^{10}$, and the units of $\hat{\chi}^2$ are μm^{-6} . If I divide both side of 1 by $\hat{K}_{22}\hat{q}^2$, I can make the system dimensionless and reduce to the form

$$\begin{aligned}
E(R, L; \psi(r), \delta\rho(z)) &= \frac{2}{R^2} \int_0^R r dr \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\psi' + \frac{\sin 2\psi}{2r} - 1 \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} K_{33} \frac{\sin^4 \psi}{r^2} \right] \\
&+ \frac{\Lambda}{R^2 L} \int_0^L dz \int_0^R r dr \delta\rho \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{d_0^2 \cos^2 \psi} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right)^2 \delta\rho \\
&+ \frac{\omega}{L} \int_0^L dz \delta\rho^2 (\delta\rho^2 - \chi^2) - \frac{(1 + k_{24})}{R^2} \sin \psi(R) + \frac{2\gamma}{R}
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

The following is a list of the redefined, dimensionless quantites:

$$E = \frac{\hat{E}}{\hat{K}_{22}\hat{q}^2} \quad (3)$$

$$R = \hat{R}\hat{q} \quad (4)$$

$$r = \hat{r}\hat{q} \quad (5)$$

$$\psi(r) = \hat{\psi}(\hat{r}) \quad (6)$$

$$K_{33} = \frac{\hat{K}_{33}}{\hat{K}_{22}} \quad (7)$$

$$L = \hat{L}\hat{q} \quad (8)$$

$$\Lambda = \frac{\hat{\Lambda}\hat{q}^8}{\hat{K}_{22}} \quad (9)$$

$$\delta\rho = \frac{\delta\hat{\rho}}{\hat{q}^3} \quad (10)$$

$$d_0 = \hat{d}_0\hat{q} \quad (11)$$

$$\omega = \frac{\hat{\omega}\hat{q}^{10}}{\hat{K}_{22}} \quad (12)$$

$$\chi^2 = \frac{\hat{\chi}^2}{\hat{q}^6} \quad (13)$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\hat{\gamma}}{\hat{K}_{22}\hat{q}} \quad (14)$$

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References