## IDO REGEV -THEORETICAL SOFT MATTER PHYSICS

## Topics

Physics of glasses and granular materials Pattern formation and biomechanics in developmental biology Drying and cracking of soft and granular materials

# Tools

Classical statistical mechanics and condensed matter physics

- Nonlinear dynamics and chaos
- Continuum mechanics
- Various Numerical Methods

## AMORPHOUS MATERIALS UNDER PLASTIC DEFORMATION

#### How does an amorphous solid yield?



Transition to chaos





## AMORPHOUS MATERIALS UNDER PLASTIC DEFORMATION

## Non-equilibrium critical point



Avalanche dynamics

## DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY



From gene expression to growth and form



#### Elongation due to Cellular diffusion







## DRYING AND CRACKING

### Drying causes volume gradients



Volume gradients cause compatibility strains - causes fracture and peeling

0 min 3 min 7 min

Emerging length-scale (not from internal structure)

# Strain compatibility nR