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EDUCATION

PH.D. MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Dissertation title: *Quadruped Robots with Tensegrity Spines*

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M.S. MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Thesis: *Mechanism and Sensor Design for SUPERball, a Cable-Driven Tensegrity Robot*

University of California, Berkeley

Dec. 2014

B.S. MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Minor in Computer Science

University of Maryland, College Park

May 2012

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Carnegie Mellon University

Dept. of Mechanical Engineering
Soft Machines Lab (PI: Carmel Majidi)

Postdoctoral Research Associate

2019 - Present
Pittsburgh, PA

NASA Ames Research Center

Intelligent Systems Division
Intelligent Robotics Group and Robust Software Engineering

Visiting Technologist

2015 - 2019
Moffet Field, CA

University of California, Berkeley

Dept. of Mechanical Engineering
Berkeley Emergent Space Tensegrities Lab (PI: Alice Agogino)

Graduate Student Researcher

2012-2019
Berkeley, CA

GRANTS + FUNDING

4. **NASA Space Technology Research Fellowship.** 4 years. Title: *Trajectory Tracking in Nonlinear, High-Order, Underactuated Robotic Systems.* 2015-2019.
3. **CITRIS Tech for Social Good Development Grant.** Block grant. Title: *Laika, The Robot Transport for Disaster Relief.* University of California Center for Information Technology Research in the Interest of Society (CITRIS), 2018.
2. **Markowski-Leach Scholarship Award.** 4 years (re-awarded after two.) Awarded to LGBTQ individuals at San Francisco Bay Area institutions who "are likely to make a substantial contribution to society." 2013-2014, 2016-2018. Currently the only repeated awardee on record.
1. **NSF Graduate Research Fellowship.** National Science Foundation. 2012-2015

PUBLICATIONS

11. **Model-Predictive Control with Inverse Statics Optimization for Tensegrity Spine Robots.** Sabelhaus, A.P.; Zhao, H.; Zhu, E.; Agogino, A.K.; Agogino, A.M.; *IEEE Transactions on Control System Technology*, To Appear, 2020. Preprint available, arXiv:1806.08868
10. **Modular Elastic Lattice Platform for Rapid Prototyping of Tensegrity Robots.** Chen, L-H.; Daly, M.C.; Sabelhaus, A.P.; Janse van Vuuren, L.A.; Garnier, H.J.; Verdugo, M.I.; Tang, E.; Spangenberg, C.U.; Ghahani, F.; Agogino, A.K.; Agogino, A.M.; *ASME International Design Engineering Technical Conferences (IDETC) / 41st Mechanisms and Robotics Conference*, Aug 2017.
9. **Model-Predictive Control of a Flexible Spine Robot.** Sabelhaus, A.P.; Akella, A.K.; Ahmad, Z.A.; SunSpiral, V.; *American Control Conference (ACC)*, IEEE, May 2017.

8. **DNA-Structured Linear Actuators.** Zampaglione, K.; Sabelhaus, A.P.; Chen, L.; Agogino, A.M.; Agogino, A.K.; *ASME International Design Engineering Technical Conferences (IDETC) / 40th Mechanisms and Robotics Conference*, Aug 2016.
7. **Mechanism Design and Simulation of the ULTRA Spine, a Tensegrity Robot.** Sabelhaus, A.P.; Ji, H.; Hylton, P.; Madaan, Y.; Yang, C.; Friesen, J.; SunSpiral, V.; Agogino, A.M.; *ASME International Design Engineering Technical Conferences (IDETC) / 39th Mechanisms and Robotics Conference*, Aug 2015.
6. **System Design and Locomotion of SUPERball, an Untethered Tensegrity Robot.** Sabelhaus, A.P.; Bruce, J.; Caluwaerts, K.; Manovi, P.; Fallah Firoozi, R.; Dobi, S.; Agogino, A.M.; SunSpiral, V.; *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, May 2015.
5. **Design and Control of Compliant Tensegrity Robots through Simulation and Hardware Validation.** Caluwaerts, K.; Despraz, J.; Iscen, A.; Sabelhaus, A.P.; Bruce, J.; Schrauwen, B.; SunSpiral, V.; *Journal of the Royal Society Interface*, Sept. 2014.
4. **Hardware Design and Testing of SUPERball, a Modular Tensegrity Robot.** Sabelhaus, A.P.; Bruce, J.; Caluwaerts, K.; Chen, Y.; Lu, D.; Liu, Y.; Agogino, A.K.; SunSpiral, V.; Agogino, A.M.; *The 6th World Conference on Structural Control and Monitoring (6WCSCM)*, July 2014
3. **SUPERball: Exploring Tensegrities for Planetary Probes.** Bruce, J.; Sabelhaus, A.P.; Chen, Y.; Lu, D.; Morse, K.; Milam, S.; Caluwaerts, K.; Agogino, A.M.; SunSpiral, V.; *12th International Symposium on Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, and Automation in Space (i-SAIRAS)*, June 2014
2. **Design and Evolution of a Modular Tensegrity Robot Platform.** Bruce, J.; Caluwaerts, K.; Iscen, A.; Sabelhaus, A.P.; SunSpiral, V.; *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, May 2014
1. **TinyTeRP: A Tiny Terrestrial Robotic Platform with Modular Sensing.** Sabelhaus, A.P.; Mirsky, D.; Hill, L.M.; Bergbreiter, S.; *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, May 2013

PRE-PRINTS + PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

2. **Inverse Statics Optimization for Compound Tensegrity Robots.** Sabelhaus, A.P.; Li, A.H.; Sover, K.A.; Madden, J.; Barkan, A.; Agogino, A.K.; Agogino, A.M.; *Under Review (Journal.)* Preprint available, arXiv:1808.08252
1. **Design, Simulation, and Testing of a Flexible Actuated Spine for Quadruped Robots.** Sabelhaus, A.P.; Janse van Vuuren, L.A.; Joshi, A.; Zhu, E.; Garnier, H.J.; Sover, K.A.; Navarro, J.; Agogino, A.K.; SunSpiral, V.; Agogino, A.M.; *Preprint Only.* Available, arXiv:1804.06527

IN-PREPARATION PUBLICATIONS

2. **An Autonomous, Untethered, Underwater Soft Robot Inspired by the Brittle Star.** Patterson, Z.; Sabelhaus, A.P.; Chin, K.; Majidi, C.
1. **Twisted Helix Linear Actuators.** Sabelhaus, A.P.; Tang, E.; Zampaglione, K.; Chen, L-H.; Agogino, A.M.

PATENTS

2. **DNA Structured Linear Actuator.** Agogino, A.; Zampaglione, K.; Chen, L-H.; Sabelhaus, A.; US Patent Application Number: PCT/US2016/032899. Under Review.
1. **Elastic Lattices for Design of Tensegrity Structures and Robots.** Chen, L-H.; Agogino, A.; Daly, M.; Sabelhaus, A.P.; Agogino, A.K.; US Patent Application Number forthcoming, WIPO Publication Number: WO 2018/161089. Under Review.

TEACHING + OUTREACH + SERVICE

- **Selected Teaching Work:** Graduate Student Instructor (GSI), University of California, Berkeley, 2019. Outstanding GSI Award, 2019. Student Evaluations: 4.88/5.0 (for "Total Effectiveness of Instructor.")
- **Selected Diversity Work:** Staff Advisor, oSTEM at CMU (Out in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics), 2019-Present. ASME Diversity and Inclusion Strategic Committee (DISC), Advisor, 2016-2018.