## The University Day Ceremony 22 November 2019, Budapest



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Honourable Rector Magnificus, Honourable Deans Spectabilities, Honorabilities, Dear Members of the Senate of the university, Dear Members and Students of the University Community, Distinguished Guests, Dear Ladies and Gentlemen.

I can not imagine more honor than the one that is being received me from your ancient University today, whose origins date back deeply into the nineteenth century.

# Óbuda University Pro Scientia et Futuro

First of all let me say how honoured and extremely grateful I am to the Senate of the Óbuda University, the Rector Prof. Dr. Levente Kovács and Dr. h. c. professor Dr. Imre Rudás for bestowing upon me the title Professor Honoris Causa. I accept it joyfully both for myself and also on behalf of all the people with whom I have worked for the last more than 35 years.

I have been always very glad that I had an opportunity to meet and cooperate with excellent peoples and researchers from your university.



I would like to assure you that I will continue to spread the excellent prestige and reputation of your University and look forward to further cooperation. Thank you once again, Mr. Rector and professor Rudas, for this great honour.

I wish you all great success in the future. Thank you, my friends.

Allow me now present some information about my research and work of my team.

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Adaptive lightweight cable, membrane and tensegrity systems controlled by artificial intelligence methods

### Faculty of Civil Engineering - Institute of Structural Engineering

# A scientific team for computational and experimental analysis of adaptive structures

### Why adaptive structures: Are able to resist to the extreme loads









### Adaptive system – basic principle



Chameleon: a Natural Adaptive System

**Top Scientific Teams** 

# A scientific team for computational and experimental analysis of adaptive structures

### **Accidental loads** = short duration but significant quantity

- Seismic load (earthquake)
- Impact (vehicle crash)
- Snow
- Wind (turbulent wind)





Solutions how to resist to the accidental loads: adaptive structures

## A scientific team for computational and experimental analysis of adaptive structures





### **Computational models**

INSTRON ±2500 kN testing machine (4 in Europe)

### **Experimental analysis**





### **Top Scientific Teams**

## **Definition – what are tensegrities?**

"A tensegrity system is a system in a stable selfequilibrated state comprising a discontinuous set of compressed components inside a continuum of tensioned components." by <u>René Motro</u>



#### Georgia Dome - M. P. Levy (Atlanta, USA) Olympic Gymnastics Arena - D. H. Geiger (Soul, South Korea)





Warnow Tower - M. Schlaich (Rostock, Germany)





Blur Building, Expo 2002 - Passera and M. Pedretti(Yverdon-les-Bains, Switzerland)







Dubai Tensegrity Tower - A. V. Richthofen (Dubaj, United Arab Emirates)



#### Sky Well Tower - P. Blicharski, et al. (Nepal)





## **Passerella Tor Vergata** - A. Micheletti (Roma, Italy)







(Essen, Germany)





**Tensegrity fasades** – S. Verma, P. Devadass (Barcelona, Spain)





Filamentosa - Orambra (Chicago, USA)



Tensegrity Tower - G. Fragerstrőm (Tokio, Japan)

Irregular configurations of S4 T-prism

Tensegrity Membrane Tower - P. Borůvka (Prague, Czech Republic



Suspended Tensegrity Bridge - S. Paradiso (Greggio, Italy)



Kurilpa Bridge, tensegrity pedestrian bridge (2009) - Arup Group Limited (Brisbane, Australia)





Total length = 470 m

*Blur Building, Expo 2002 -* Passera and *M. Pedretti (Yverdon-les-Bains, Switzerland)* 







The tensairity concept (Luchsinger et al. 2004)



#### Basic components of the girder

- Compression rod
- Air pressure
- Membrane textile tube
- Tension cable



<u>Tensairity applications</u>: Roof over a parking garage in Montreux

Tension rope



### Spider fibers are tensegrities - biotensegrities

### • Tensegrity structures are motivated from biology:

The nanostructure of the <u>spider fiber is a tensegrity</u> structure. <u>Nature's</u> <u>endorsment of tensegrity structures</u> warrants our attention because per unit mass, <u>spider fiber is the strongest natural fiber</u>.



## Benefits of tensegrity (Biotensegrity)

### Human cells are tensegrities - biotensegrities

# Articles by <u>Ingber</u> argue that the tensegrity is the fundamental building architecture of life.

His observations come from experiments in cell biology, where prestressed truss structures of the *tensegrity type* have been observed in *cells*.



Cytoskeleton – the movers and shapers in the cell.

<u>Microtubules (green rods) placed inside an</u> intermediate filament network – tensegrity system.



### **Carbon nanotubes are tensegrities**

Carbon nanotubes are the strongest and stiffest materials yet discovered in terms of *tensile strength* and *elastic modulus*.

### Single-walled nanotubes (SWNT)

Material	Young's modulus	Tensile strength
(-)	(MPa)	(MPa)
<u>SWNT</u>	1x10 <sup>6</sup> ÷ 5x10 <sup>6</sup>	13x10 <sup>3</sup> ÷ 53x10 <sup>3</sup>
Stainless steel	0.21x10 <sup>6</sup>	0.38x10 <sup>3</sup> ÷ 1.55x10 <sup>3</sup>

<u>Capped carbon nanotube</u> (a) topology and (b) tensegrity model by Li, Feng, Cao and Gao







Constructing tensegrity structures from one-bar elementary cells by Yue Li, Xi-Qiao Feng, Yan-Ping Cao and Huajian Gao, Proc. R. Soc. A 2010 466, 45-61, doi: 10.1098/rspa.2009.0260

### Benefits of tensegrity (Carbon Nanotubes)

# Applications of the methods of artificial intelligence in the structural engineering

Traditional methods for modelling and optimizing complex structural systems require huge amounts of computing resources

Artificial-intelligence-based solutions can often provide valuable alternatives for efficiently solving problems in the structural engineering

► This part summarizes recently developed methods and approaches in the applications of artificial intelligence in structural engineering, including neural networks and evolutionary computation, as well as others like chaos theory.

### Basic scheme of the control, monitoring, computation and assessment philosophy of adaptive systems



### Artificial neural networks - successful uses



# NN as approximators and predictors





## NN as analysers and predictors

### NN can replace analysis by means of FE Methods



• For the behaviour prediction of retractable roof structures and for the quick generation of the data required for the control system the neural computing can be successfully applied.



## **Resulting multilayer perceptron**

The best results were reached by the perceptron neural network with the topology 4-79-42-42 and Backpropagation learning algorithm in the combination with the conjugate gradient algorithm.

For this topology the mean square error MSE = 3,3 % during the training procedure and MSE = 3,5 % in the testing phase were achieved.



### Topology of the resulting multilayer perceptron

## Nodal displacements of the rail track obtained by means of ANN and FEM in the X, Y and Z directions



### Adaptive cable dome consists of 7 compressed struts (1 active) and 36 tensioned cables



### A detailed view of the actuator and load cylinder









## **Details of connections of cable members**









## Various types of cable domes

### Fuller type cable dome





### Geiger type cable dome





### Levy type cable dome





### Kiewitt type cable dome





### Modified cable domes









### **Control of adaptive cable domes**



### Basic reliability condition: Forces in cables > 1500 N



Comparison of experimentally obtained courses of forces in the cables and action member with those obtained by ANSYS and  $\Delta$ FEM software: (a) ridge cable, (b) diagonal cable, (c) hooped cable and (d) action member

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### **Control of the cable dome with 7 action members**



## Sensitivity to an asymmetric loading



Comparison of numerically obtained internal forces and displacements of the dome (a side view) subjected: (a) to an asymmetric vertical point load of 3 500 *N* applied to one of the six non-actuated struts and (b) to a symmetric vertical point load of 3 500 *N* applied to the central node.

### Control commands of the active cable dome using Multi-Objective Genetic Algorithms (MOGA)

Multi-objective search is used to select control commands.

An appropriate tool for the optimization of the control process is an application of genetic algorithms.

The Multi-Objective Genetic Algorithm (MOGA) used in Goal Driven Optimization (GDO) as a hybrid variant of the popular Non-dominated Sorted Genetic Algorithm-II (NSGA-II) based on controlled elitism concepts are used in these studies.

### Objective functions in this optimization process are cable forces in two sets of cables



$$\boldsymbol{F}^{CS2}(\boldsymbol{\Delta},\boldsymbol{q}) = \left(F_1^{CS2}(\boldsymbol{\Delta},\boldsymbol{q}), F_2^{CS2}(\boldsymbol{\Delta},\boldsymbol{q}), \mathbf{K}, F_6^{CS2}(\boldsymbol{\Delta},\boldsymbol{q})\right)^{\mathrm{T}}$$
$$\boldsymbol{F}^{CS5}(\boldsymbol{\Delta},\boldsymbol{q}) = \left(F_1^{CS5}(\boldsymbol{\Delta},\boldsymbol{q}), F_2^{CS5}(\boldsymbol{\Delta},\boldsymbol{q}), \mathbf{K}, F_6^{CS5}(\boldsymbol{\Delta},\boldsymbol{q})\right)^{\mathrm{T}}$$

## 2 – Ridge cables 5 – Hooped cables

## Formulation of the multi-objective task

### The multi-objective task can be mathematically written as

min

$$\left(\boldsymbol{F}_{min}^{CS2}(\boldsymbol{\varDelta},\boldsymbol{q}), \boldsymbol{F}_{max}^{CS2}(\boldsymbol{\varDelta},\boldsymbol{q}), \boldsymbol{F}_{max}^{CS5}(\boldsymbol{\varDelta},\boldsymbol{q})\right)$$

Subject to

$$F_{min}^{CS2}(\varDelta, q) \ge 400 N$$

$$F_{max}^{CS2}(\varDelta, q) \le 1000 N$$

$$5500 N \le F_{max}^{CS5}(\varDelta, q) \le 6500 N$$

$$lower = 0.001 \ m \le \varDelta \le 0.01 \ m = \Delta^{upper}$$

### The courses of the resulting axial forces of the cable dome subjected to the asymmetric load at the optimized action member's movement configuration.


## Adaptive cable dome of the Geiger type





 Control electronics
Computer system
Device for governing the movement of action members



# An adaptive tensegrity module with a load cylinder suspended in a self-supporting frame



5 compressed bars (1 active in the middle) and 8 tensioned cables Action member





# Force control loop – reliability conditions



# Adaptive tensegrity arch



# Adaptive tensegrity plate









# Adaptive tensegrity system



# Adaptive tensegrity systems













# <u>Test equipment</u> with the spatial self-supporting inverted steel frame

# An adaptive tensegrity system



## <u>Test equipment</u> with the self-supporting inverted steel frame







# An adaptive tensegrity system - details



## An adaptive tensegrity system – FEM analyses



SUBSTEP = 12, UNITS = m J SLIDE/ROTARY CONSTRAINTS

# An adaptive tensegrity system – controls by NN



# Changes in action members lengths and resulting decreases of nodal displacements



# **Relations between the objective functions Feasible Solution - Pareto Optimal - Optimal Solution**



# Adaptive tensegrity module









# Adaptive tensegrity beam



# Adaptive tensegrity plate



# Adaptive hyperbolic-paraboloid membrane









497.0 450.0

403.1 356.2 309.2

262.3 215.4

168.4 121.5

74.6

27.6

19.3

497.0 -19.3

# Adaptive hyperbolic-paraboloid membrane









# Continuous monitoring of a current state in structural members by micro-wire sensors



A common project with physicists from the Pavol Jozef Safarik University in Košice and RVmagnetics company Non-contact detection and quantification of complete deformation fields in structural members by micro-wire sensors

Microwires provide information on the internal forces and the mechanism of local damage that leads to failure of the structure



Glass coated microwires metallic core (diameter of 1-50 μm) glass-coat (thickness of 2-20 μm)

## **Microwire**



Human hair 150µm

Amorphous wire 20µm



Microwires are produced by continuously drawing molten metallic alloy inside the glass capillary through the quenching liquid water or oil: (Taylor-Ulitovsky method)

# **Microwire – magnetisation principle**

## The positive magnetostriction microwires are characterized by an axial monodomain structure, implying magnetic bistability.





#### **Radial domain**

Microwire unique property magnetoelasticity with positive magnetostriction which makes them suitable elements for sensing, especially strain and temperature fields in the structures.

## **Testing on various materials and members**



# Basic structural members of the Tensairity cylindrical beam and its applications





### Various applications: arches, roofs, bridges etc.

# Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) analysis of the Tensairity cylindrical beam





A finite element mesh of the computational fluid domain: (a) an axonometric view with a position of the monitored point (in red) and (b) a detail of the cross section of the Tensairity cylindrical beam.

For the fluid flow model, a one-equation turbulence Spalart--Allmaras (SA) flow model was selected (Large Eddy Simulation)

# Fluid-Structure Interaction (FSI) analysis of the Tensairity cylindrical beam subjected to fluctuating wind effects

Consequently, additional boundary conditions for FSI model consist of a FSI interface in the fluid model and FSI interface in the model of the Tensairity cylindrical beam structure, which are easily defined in the Abaqus/CFD module and in the Abaqus/Explicit module



Time course of the experimentally measured and simulated wind velocity components in the longitudinal and lateral direction

Wind flow fields (wind velocities) and shapes of waves (vortex shedding phenomena) around the Tensairity cylindrical beam subjected to fluctuating wind velocity in the selected discrete times (the FSI analysis)



Times: (a) 0,5 s

(b) 1,5 s

(c) 2,5 s



(d) 3,5 s (e) 4,5 s (f) 5 s

# Aerodynamic analysis of an air-pressurized arch subjected to turbulent wind effects



Global and local stability of the air-pressurized arch subjected to turbulent wind effects



The TECHNICOM University Science Park, activities for active commercialisation and spin-off firms: to improve transfer of technologies







# **STARTUP CENTRE**

#### VISIT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC













# Innovation & Technology Transfer



# The goal is **KOŠICE – Science City** Concept of innovation partnership in Eastern Slovakia

#### **PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS**

- Košice Self-governing Region
- Prešov Self-governing Region
- City of Košice
- City of Prešov

#### PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

- Pavol Jozef Šafárik University
- University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice
- University of Prešov in Prešov

#### SCIENCE PARKS BEING CREATED:

University Science Park MEDIPARK Research Centre for Materials Research

#### **CLUSTERS:**

Košice IT Valley AT+R

#### SLOVAK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

Institute of Experimental Physics, Institute of Neurobiology, Mathematical Institute, Institute of Materials Research, Institute of Parasitology, Institute of Zoology, Institute of Geotechnics, Institute of Animal Biochemistry and Genetics, Institute for Sociology, Institute of Social Sciences

Upcoming University Science Park TECHNICOM

Founder: Technical University of Košice Partners: UPJŠ in Košice PU in Prešov

#### Industrial park KECHNEC

and other industrial parks in the region of Eastern Slovakia

- partner research and industrial associations,
- public administration,
- public sector organizations,
- financial institutions,
- commercial companies: U.S. Steel, s.r.o., Embraco, a.s., Chemosvit, a.s., Nexi Fibers, a.s., etc.

# Continuing cooperation of universities from V4 countries

# **Excellent science** based cooperation of universities in our countries is one of major assets and should be a pillar for success in FP9.





Visegrad Group

The new Framework Program for Research and Innovation 2021-2027 will be named Horizon Europe and a budget of almost € 100 billion Euros



The name of the next EU Research and Innovation Programme (2021-2027)



# Thank you for your kind attention !