

Education

- 09/2013 – today **Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), USA**
PhD Candidate, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, GPA: 5.0
- 10/2007 – 01/2013 **Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), Germany**
Diplom-Ingenieur (Bachelor and Master of Science) in Mechanical Engineering, Mechatronics, robotics and microsystems technology, GPA: 5.0

Work/Research Experience

- 09/2013 – today **Distributed Robotics Laboratory, CSAIL, MIT, USA**
PhD Research Assistant in Soft Robotics, Advisor: Prof. Daniela Rus
- 12/2012 – 08/2013 **Auris Surgical Robotics, Redwood City, California, USA**
Systems engineer, research and development of a robotic system for microsurgery
- 04/2012 – 10/2012 **Artificial Intelligence Lab, Computer Science Dept, Stanford University, USA**
Research Assistant (Master Thesis), Advisors: Dr. Torsten Kröger and Prof. Oussama Khatib
- 07/2011 – 01/2012 **ABB Corporate Research Robotics, Shanghai, China**
Research Internship: Thermal study and optimization of robotic drive trains
- 11/2010 – 05/2011 **Institute for Process Control and Robotics, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany**
Bachelor Thesis Research on robotic hand with force-moment-sensors
- 10/2008 – 03/2011 **Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), Germany**
Teaching Assistant for controls, machine design, mathematics, technical mechanics
- 09/2005 – 03/2012 **IGB consulting engineers for building services, Mannheim, Germany**
Technical design assistant and quality management representative
- 08/2005 – 05/2011 **PCK system house GbR, Mannheim, Germany**
Director, IT consulting and trade, network administration, web design

Skills

Languages	German (native), English (fluent), Chinese (intermediate)
Software	C/C++, Java, Python, Mathematica, Matlab, Maple, Adams, Abaqus
Mechanical	Solidworks, ProEngineer, AutoCAD; Mill, Lathe, Waterjet, Lasercut, 3D-Printing

Awards & Fellowships

- 10/2014 "Tony Stark Award for a Bad-Ass Live Demonstration" during MIT Research Exhibition
- 09/2013 – 01/2014 Graduate Exploration Fellowship for full tuition and stipend, MIT
- 12/2012 – 01/2013 IGEL Fellowship by the Faculty of Computer Science, KIT
- 04/2012 – 09/2012 Fellowship by the Kurt Fordan Foundation for outstanding talents, funding master's thesis
- 04/2012 – 09/2012 Fellowship by the Dr.-Ing. Willy-Höfler Foundation, funding for master's thesis
- 02/2011 – 01/2012 Fellowship "Heinz Nixdorf Program for the Promotion of Asian-Pacific Experience for Young German Professionals" by the German Association for International Cooperation
- 02/2010 Awardee of the Grashof award for outstanding accomplishments and the best final result in the basic study of mechanical engineering at KIT, Germany
- 02/2010 – 09/2012 Fellowship "Schaeffler Top Student" by the Schaeffler Group, Germany
- 04/2009 – 09/2012 Fellowship by the Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom

Voluntary Work

- 02/2015 – 02/2016 Research Exhibition Chair within MIT Graduate Association of Mechanical Engineers
- 12/2009 – 01/2011 Chairman of "studentec e.V." association for engineering consulting
- 09/2008 – 05/2011 Member of the faculty council for Mechanical Engineering at KIT

Publications

H.-C. Wang, R. K. Katzschmann, B. Araki, S. Teng, L. Giarre, and D. Rus, "Enabling Independent Navigation for Visually Impaired People through a Wearable Vision-Based Feedback System." ICRA, Singapore, 2017.

R. Katzschmann, A. de Maille, D. Dorhout, D. Rus, "Cyclic Hydraulic Actuation of Soft Robotic Devices," IROS, Daejeon, Oct. 2016.

R. MacCurdy, R. Katzschmann, Y. Kim, and D. Rus, "Printable hydraulics: A method for fabricating robots by 3D co-printing solids and liquids." ICRA, Stockholm, 2016.

R. Katzschmann, A. Marchese, D. Rus. "Autonomous Object Manipulation using a Soft Planar Grasping Manipulator." Soft Robotics Journal, 2015.

J. Delpreto, R. Katzschmann, R. MacCurdy, and D. Rus, "A Compact Acoustic Communication Module for Remote Control Underwater." Invited: ACM WUWNET, Washington D.C., USA, Oct. 2015.

B. S. Homberg, R. Katzschmann, M. R. Dogar, and D. Rus, "Haptic Identification of Objects using a Modular Soft Robotic Gripper," IROS, Hamburg, Sept. 2015

S. Li, R. Katzschmann, D. Rus, "A soft cube capable of controllable continuous jumping," IROS, Hamburg, Sept. 2015.

A. Marchese, R. Katzschmann, D. Rus. "A Recipe for Soft Fluidic Elastomer Robots." Soft Robotics, March 2015.

A. Marchese, R. Katzschmann, D. Rus. "Whole Arm Planning for a Soft and Highly Compliant 2D Robotic Manipulator." IROS, Chicago, IL, USA, September 2014.

R. Katzschmann, A. Marchese, D. Rus. "Hydraulic Autonomous Soft Robotic Fish for 3D Swimming." ISER, Marrakech, Morocco, June 2014.

R. Katzschmann, T. Kröger, T. Asfour and O. Khatib. "Towards Online Trajectory Generation Considering Robot Dynamics and Torque Limits." IROS, Tokyo, Japan, Nov. 2013.