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Adult female spider, Araneus diadematus Cl. The eight legs perform different tasks. Here the left hind leg pulls out polypeptide silk from the spinnerets at the rear end of the body; the right hind leg probes in the air: the middle legs support the body; and the front legs "measure" distances and tension. (Actual size 20 millimeters, rear view). See page 1216. [Peter N. Witt, North Carolina Department of Mental Health]