

Vehicle Dynamics and Vehicle Testing.

Basic vehicle dynamics calculation and vehicle models



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What is a model?



A simplified representation of the reality.

What is a vehicle dynamics model?



Refers to calculate the dynamic motion of ground vehicles for engineering tasks.

Where do we need vehicle dynamics models?



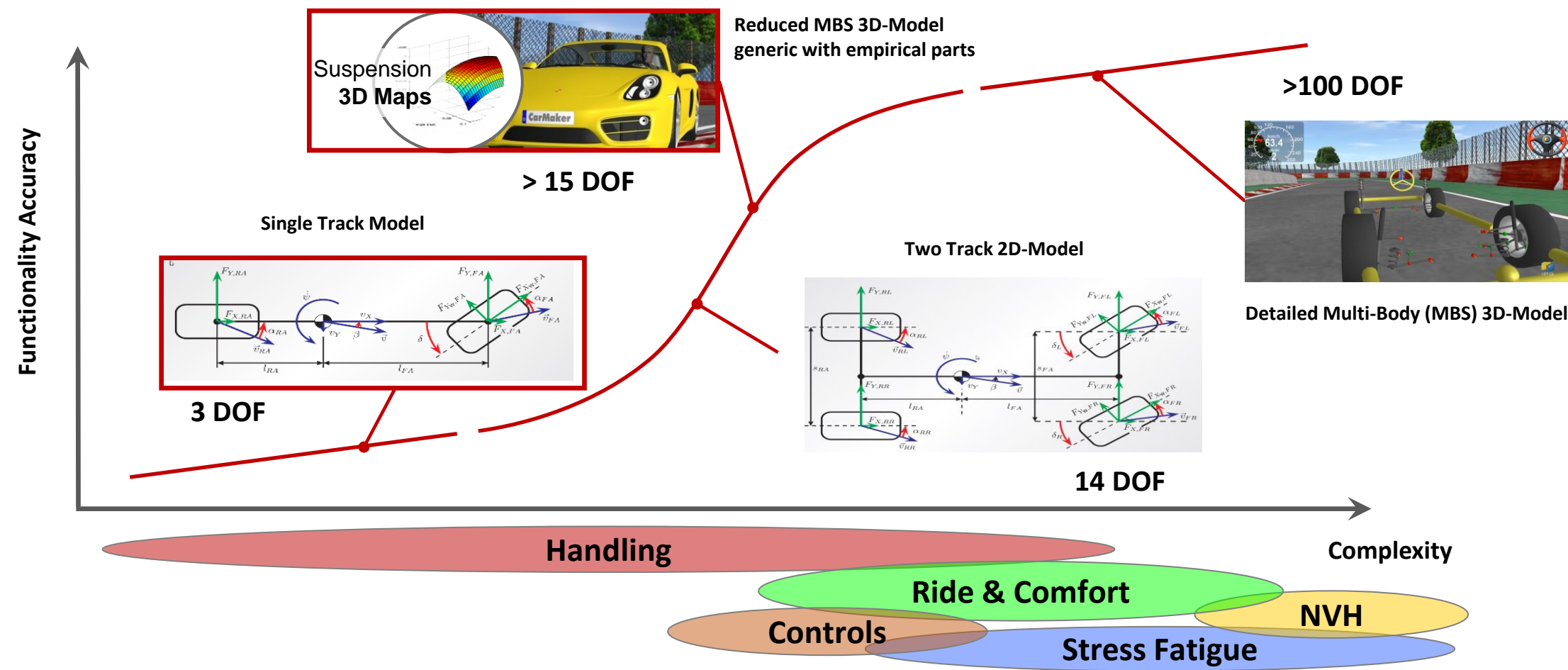
Simulation, model based testing and model based control methods.

When is a vehicle dynamics model valid?

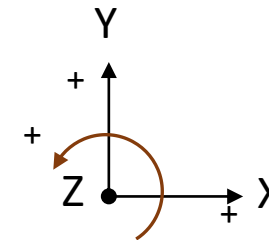
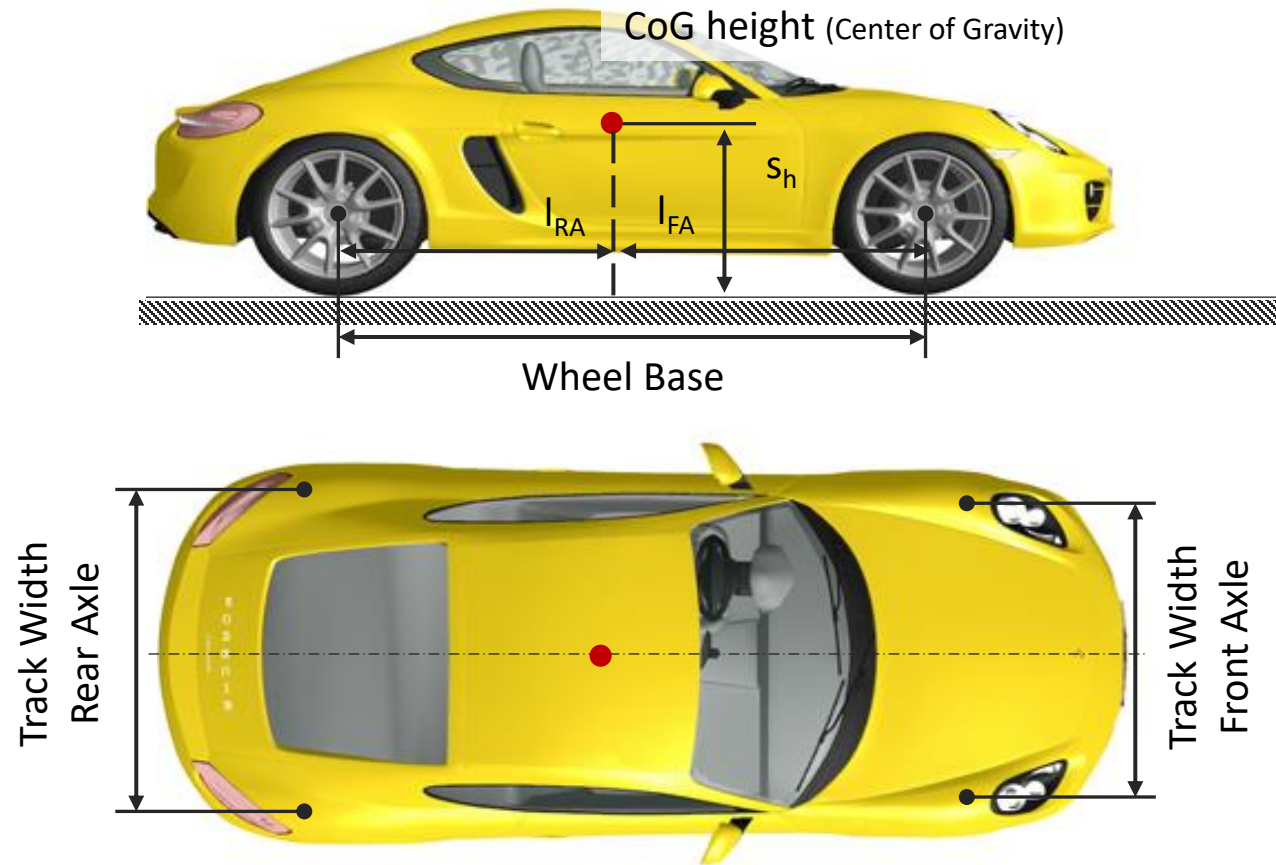


Good and accurate enough for the application purpose?

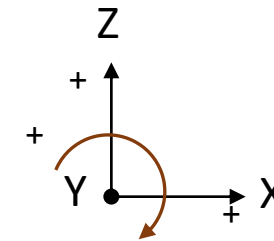
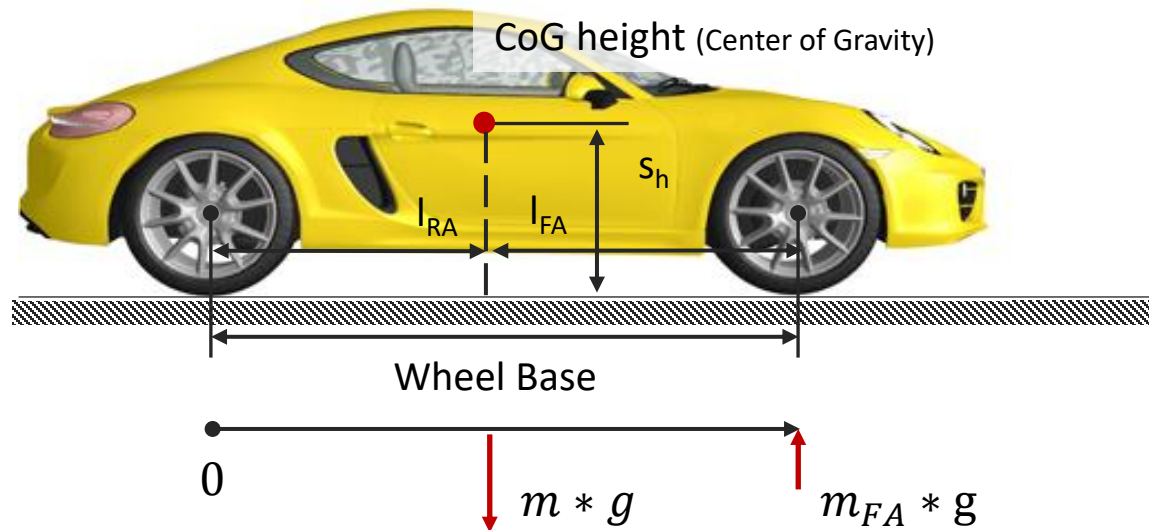
Classification an positioning of vehicle dynamics models



Basic chassis dimensions



Calculation of CoG – Center of Gravity



$$\sum F_z = 0$$

$$m * g * l_{RA} = m_{FA} * g * l \quad l_{FA} = l - l_{RA}$$

- Vehicle weight (with driver) = 1.970 kg
- m_{FA} (front axle) = 1100 kg
- m_{RA} (rear axle) = 870 kg
- Wheel base = 2.807 mm,
- Center of gravity = 0,65 m

Calculation of CoG – Center of Gravity

$$m * \cancel{g} * l_{RA} = m_{FA} * \cancel{g} * l$$



$$l_{RA} = \frac{m_{FA} * l}{m} = \frac{1100 \text{ kg} * 2,807 \text{ m}}{1970 \text{ kg}} = 1,567 \text{ m}$$

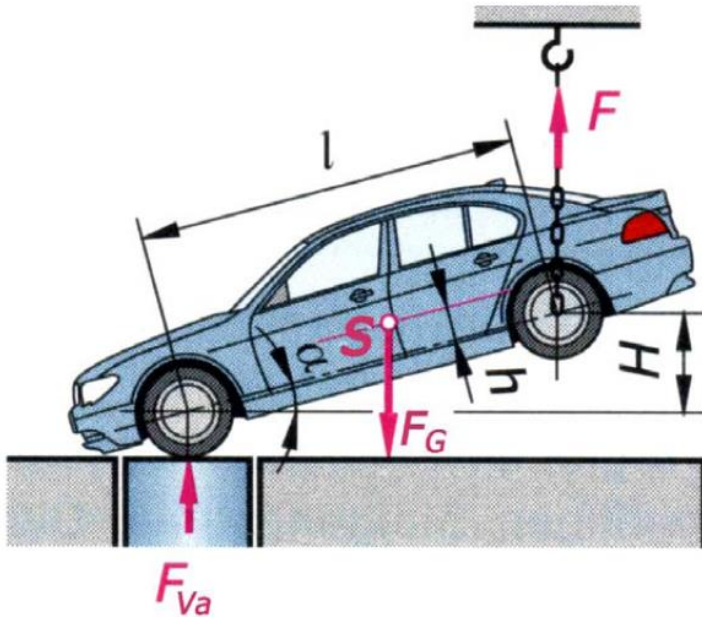
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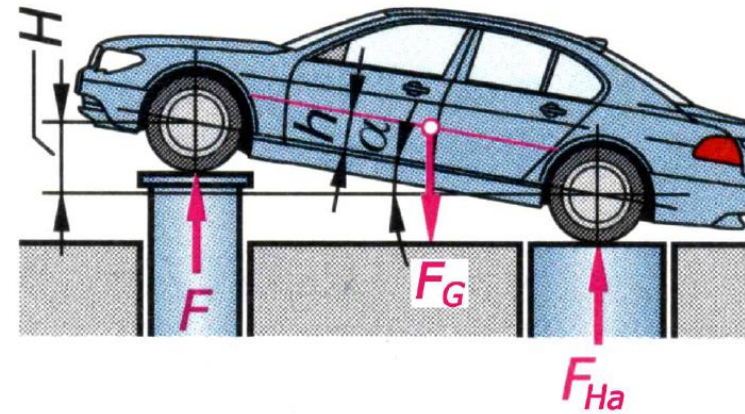
$$l_{FA} = l - l_{RA} = 2,807 \text{ m} - 1,567 \text{ m} = 1,24 \text{ m}$$

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Calculation of CoG – Center of Gravity



$$h = l * \frac{F_{FA} - F}{F_G * \tan \alpha}$$



$$h = l * \frac{F_{HA} - F}{F_G * \tan \alpha}$$

Calculation of CoG – Center of Gravity

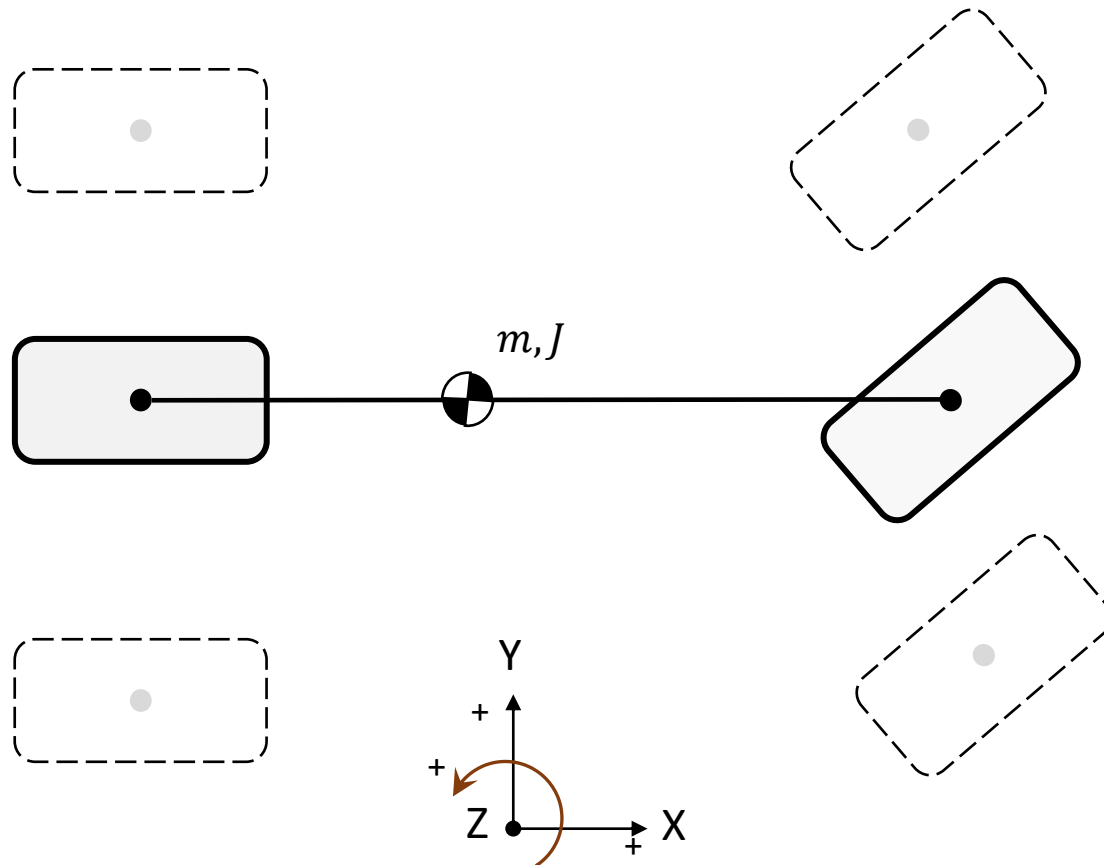


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Simplification of the vehicle model: “Single Track Model” Theory - 3 DOF



Approach

- **Wheels are lumped into single track**
→ Tire side slip & axle stiffness are combined per axle
- Rigid body with CoG in-plane (on-track)
- Only horizontal movement
→ No roll, pitch & vertical motion
- Steering angle only at the front axle

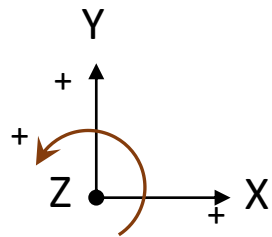
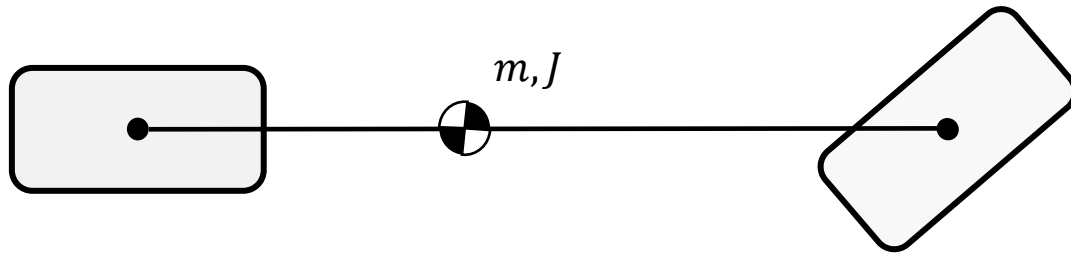
3 Degrees of Freedom (DOF)

- Longitudinal
- Lateral
- Yaw (rotation around Z)

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- Equations of motion based on:
 - Geometrical equation
 - Equilibrium of forces & moments
 - Transversal system stiffness (Tire / Axle)



3 Degrees of Freedom (DOF)

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- Lateral
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Notations

m	vehicle mass	δ	steering angle (at wheel)
F_x, F_y	Forces	δ_H	steering wheel angel (SWA)
F_{x_w}, F_{y_w}	Wheel forces	i_s	steering ratio
v	vehicle speed	ψ	yaw angle
v_x, v_y	velocity longitudinal / lateral	$\dot{\psi}$	yaw angle speed
a_x, a_y	acceleration longitudinal / lateral	R, r	course radius
v_{FA}, v_{RA}	velocity front / rear axle	FA, RA	Index front axle, rear axle
l	wheel base	$stat$	index for stationary
l_{FA}, l_{RA}	length front / rear axle to center of gravity	CoG	center of gravity
α_{FA}, α_{RA}	Side slip angle front / rear axle	EG	understeer gradient (Eigenlenkgradient)
c_{FA}, c_{RA}	side slip stiffness front / rear axle		
β	drift angle		
$\dot{\beta}$	drift angle speed		

Basic vehicle dynamics calculation and vehicle models

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Lateral Motion

$$F_y = F_{y,FA} + F_{y,RA} = m * a_y = m * v * (\dot{\psi} - \dot{\beta})$$

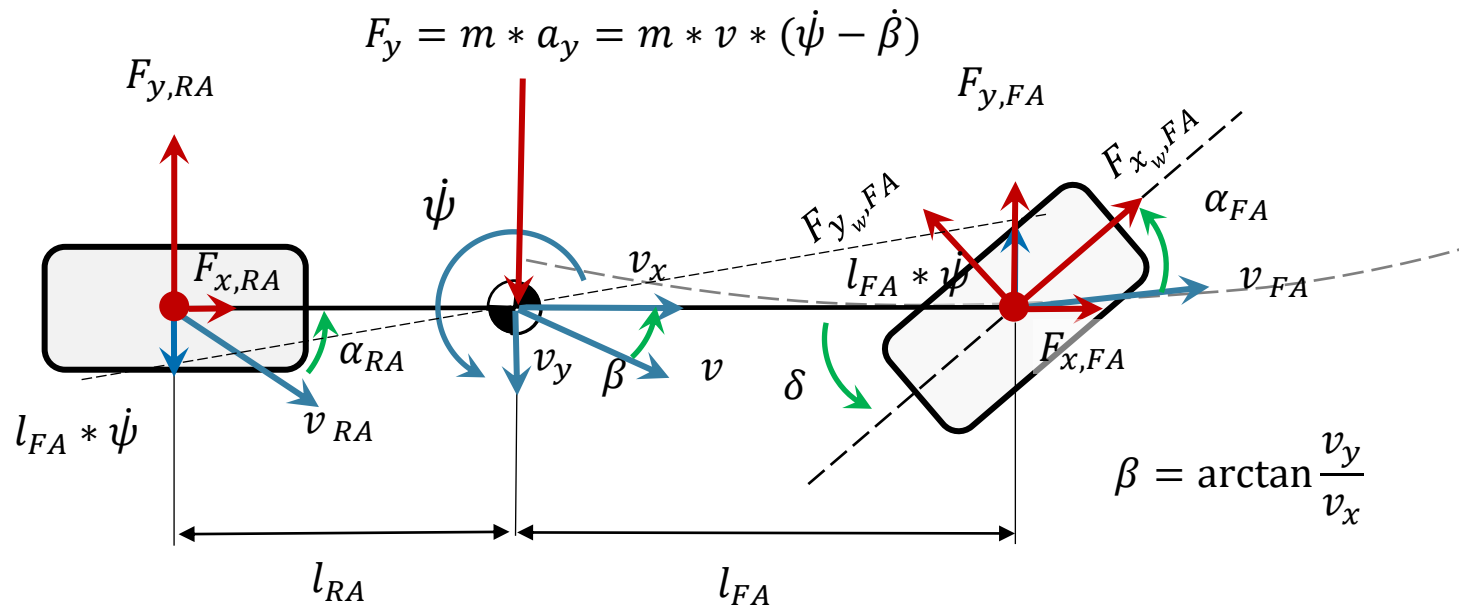
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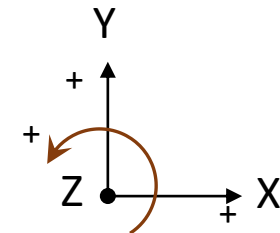


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Rotation Z-Axle

$$\theta * \ddot{\psi} = F_{y,FA} * l_{FA} - F_{y,RA} * l_{RA}$$

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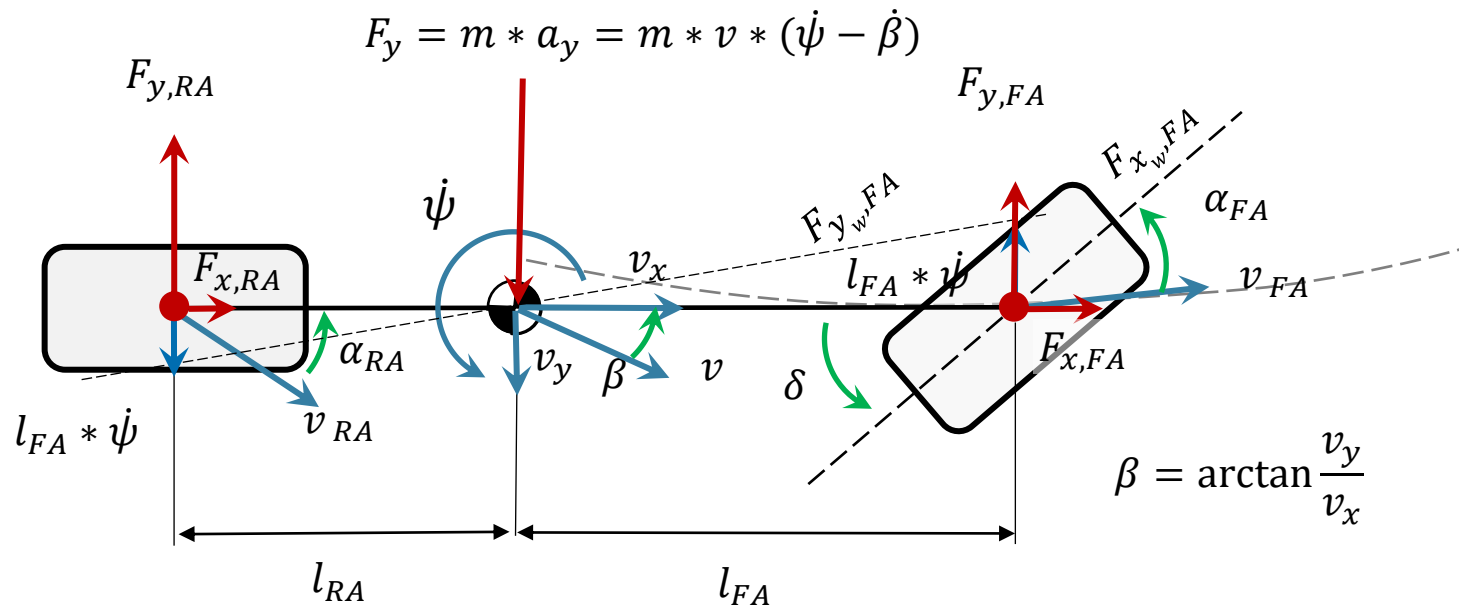
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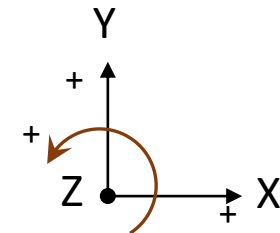


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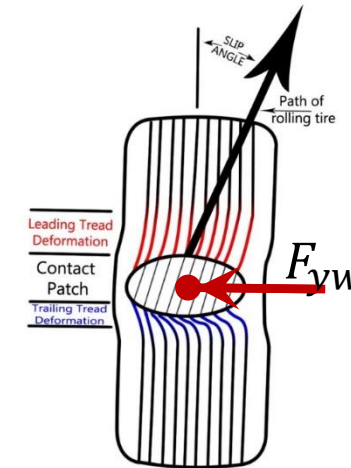
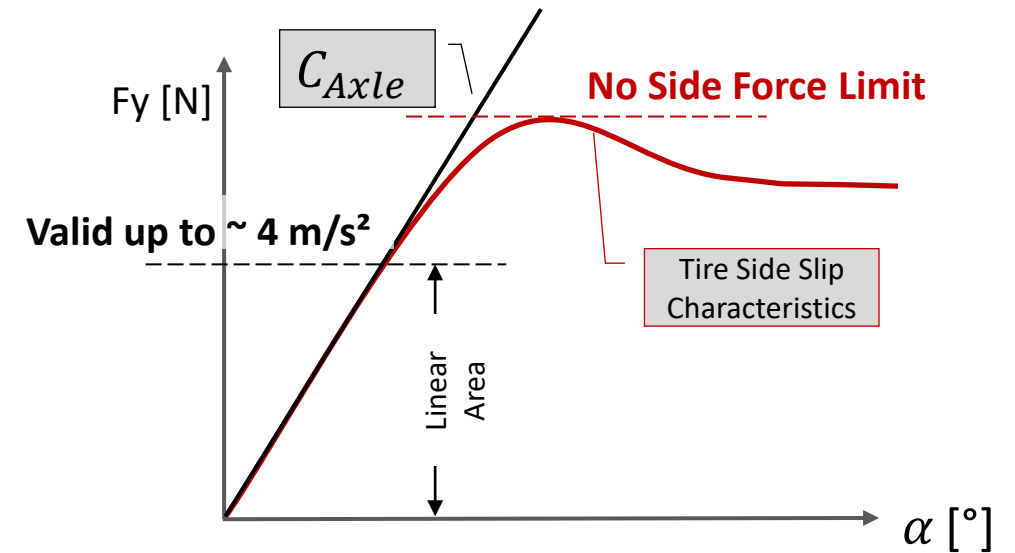
$$F_y = F_{y,FA} + F_{y,RA} = m * a_y = m * v * (\dot{\psi} - \dot{\beta})$$

$$(4) \quad F_{y,FA} = c_{FA} * \alpha_{FA}$$

$$(5) \quad \alpha_{FA} = \delta + \beta - \frac{l_{FA} * \dot{\psi}}{v}$$

$$(4) \quad F_{y,RA} = c_{RA} * \alpha_{RA}$$

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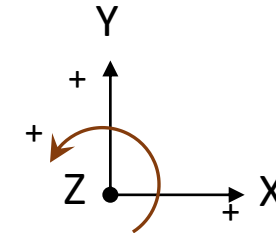
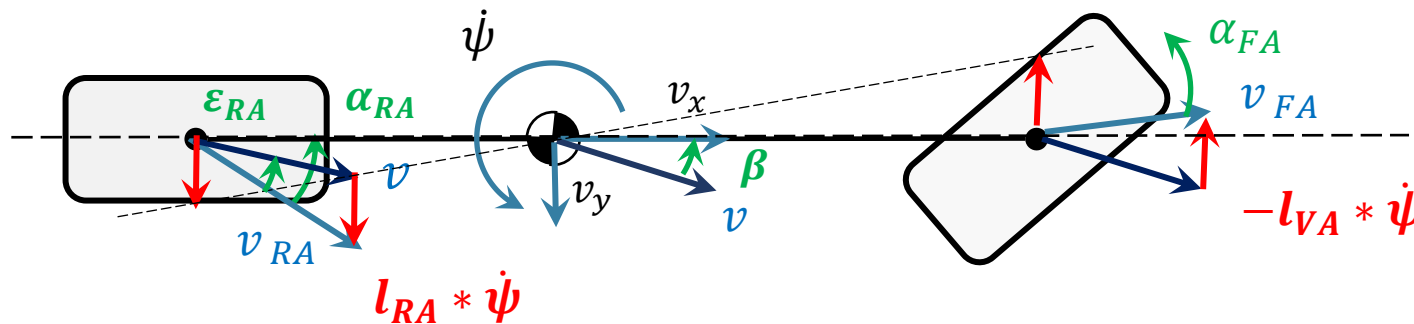
$$(5) \quad \alpha_{RA} = \beta + \frac{l_{RA} * \dot{\psi}}{v}$$

$$(5) \quad \alpha_{FA} = \delta + \beta \left[-\frac{l_{FA} * \psi}{v} \right]$$

Small angle approximation

$$\epsilon_{RA} = \arctan \frac{l_{RA} * \dot{\psi}}{v} \sim \boxed{\frac{l_{RA} * \dot{\psi}}{v}}$$

$$\epsilon_{FA} = -\arctan \frac{l_{FA} * \dot{\psi}}{v} \sim \boxed{-\frac{l_{FA} * \dot{\psi}}{v}}$$



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$$(9) \quad c_{FA} * \alpha_{FA} = m * a_y * \frac{l_{RA}}{l}$$

$$(10) \quad c_{RA} * \alpha_{RA} = m * a_y * \frac{l_{FA}}{l}$$

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$$(11) \quad c_{FA} \left(\delta + \beta - \frac{l_{FA} * \dot{\psi}}{v} \right) = m * a_y * \frac{l_{RA}}{l}$$

$$(12) \quad c_{RA} * \left(\beta + \frac{l_{RA} * \dot{\psi}}{v} \right) = m * a_y * \frac{l_{FA}}{l}$$

$$(13) \quad \beta = \frac{m}{l} * a_y * \frac{l_{RA}}{c_{FA}} + \frac{l_{FA} * \dot{\psi}}{v} - \delta$$

$$(14) \quad \beta = \frac{m}{l} * a_y * \frac{l_{FA}}{c_{RA}} - \frac{l_{RA} * \dot{\psi}}{v}$$

(15) equalize

$$\delta = \frac{m}{l} * a_y * \frac{l_{RA}}{c_{FA}} - \frac{m}{l} * a_y * \frac{l_{VA}}{c_{RA}} + \frac{l_{FA} * \dot{\psi}}{v} + \frac{l_{RA} * \dot{\psi}}{v}$$

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$$(17) \quad \delta = \frac{m}{l} * a_y * \left[\frac{l_{RA}}{c_{FA}} - \frac{l_{VA}}{c_{RA}} \right] + \frac{\dot{\psi}}{v} * (l_{FA} + l_{RA})$$

$$\delta = \frac{l}{r} + \frac{m}{l} * a_y * \left[\frac{l_{RA}}{c_{FA}} - \frac{l_{FA}}{c_{RA}} \right]$$

Steady-state cornering

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Ackermann

Self-Steering Behavior

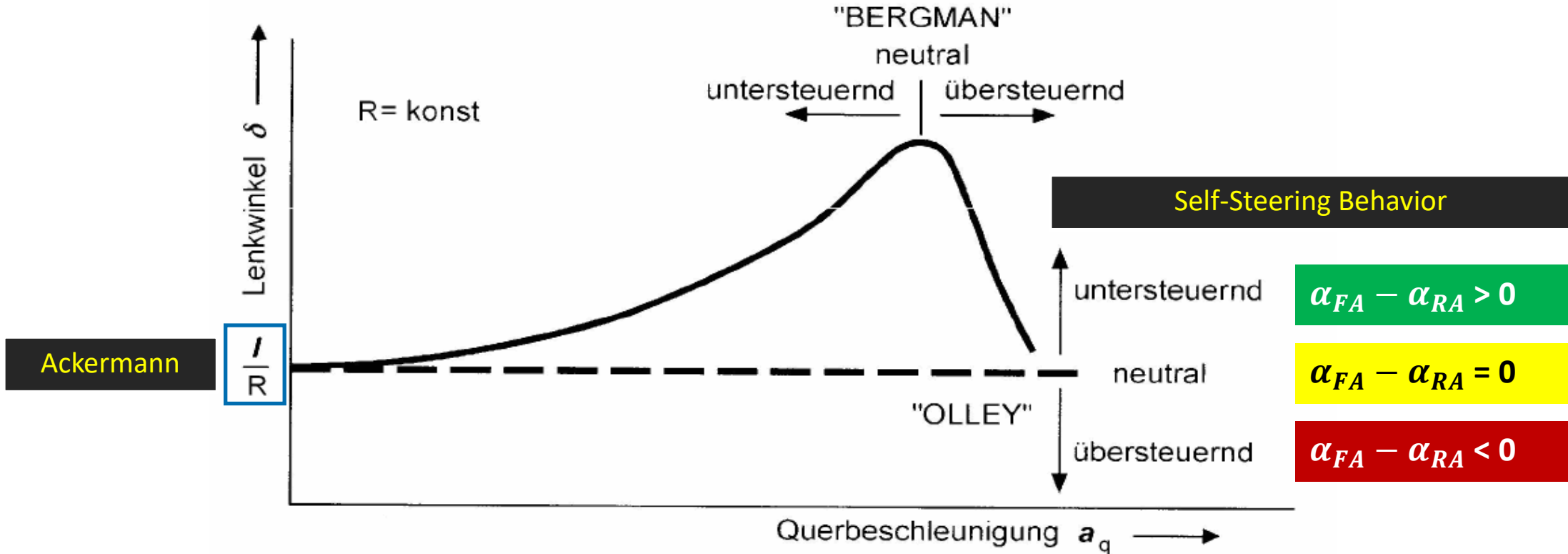
$$(19) \quad \delta = \frac{l}{r} + \Delta \alpha \quad (\Delta \alpha = \alpha_{FA} - \alpha_{RA})$$

Understeer and oversteer definition

Ackermann

Self-Steering Behavior

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Definition of Eigenlenkgradient (Understeer Gradient)

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Calculation of Eigenlenkgradient

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= 0 if $R = \text{const}$ since $d\delta_A \approx \frac{l}{R}$

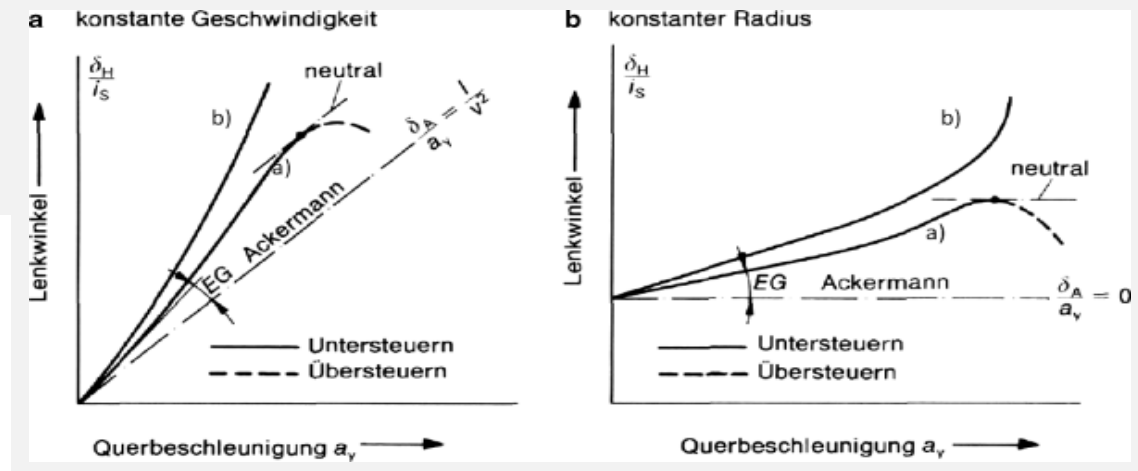
Calculation of **the EG** = Eigenlenkgradient
(engl. understeer gradient)
 $d\delta_H$: Steering wheel angle
 $d\delta_A$: Ackermann angle

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$EG = 0$: Neutral

$EG < 0$: Oversteer

$EG > 0$: Understeer

Characteristic Velocity and Critical Velocity

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Calculation of Characteristic Velocity

$$\left[\frac{\dot{\psi}}{\delta_H} \right]_{v_{char}} = \frac{1}{2} * \left[\frac{\dot{\psi}}{\delta_H} \right]_{EG=0}$$

if $\frac{\dot{\psi}}{\delta_H} > \left[\frac{\dot{\psi}}{\delta_H} \right]_{EG=0}$ and $R = const$

i.e. if vehicle shows steady-state understeer

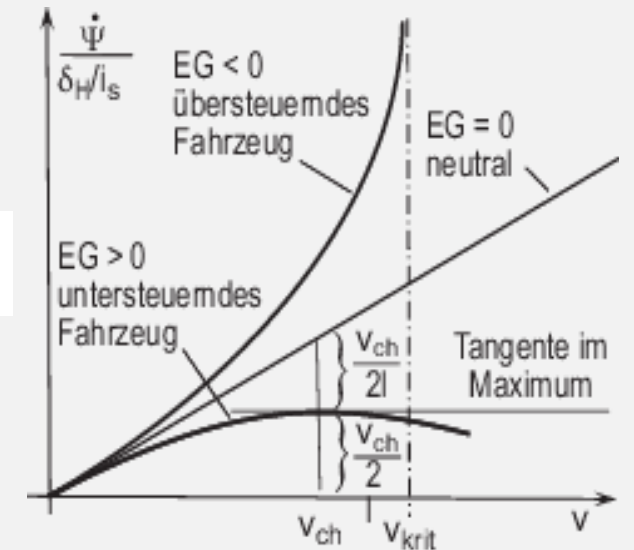
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Calculation of Critical Velocity

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Practice Session: 15 min

Vehicle Dynamics in context of Advanced Driver Assistance Systems and Automated Driving

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You have a vehicle with following data:

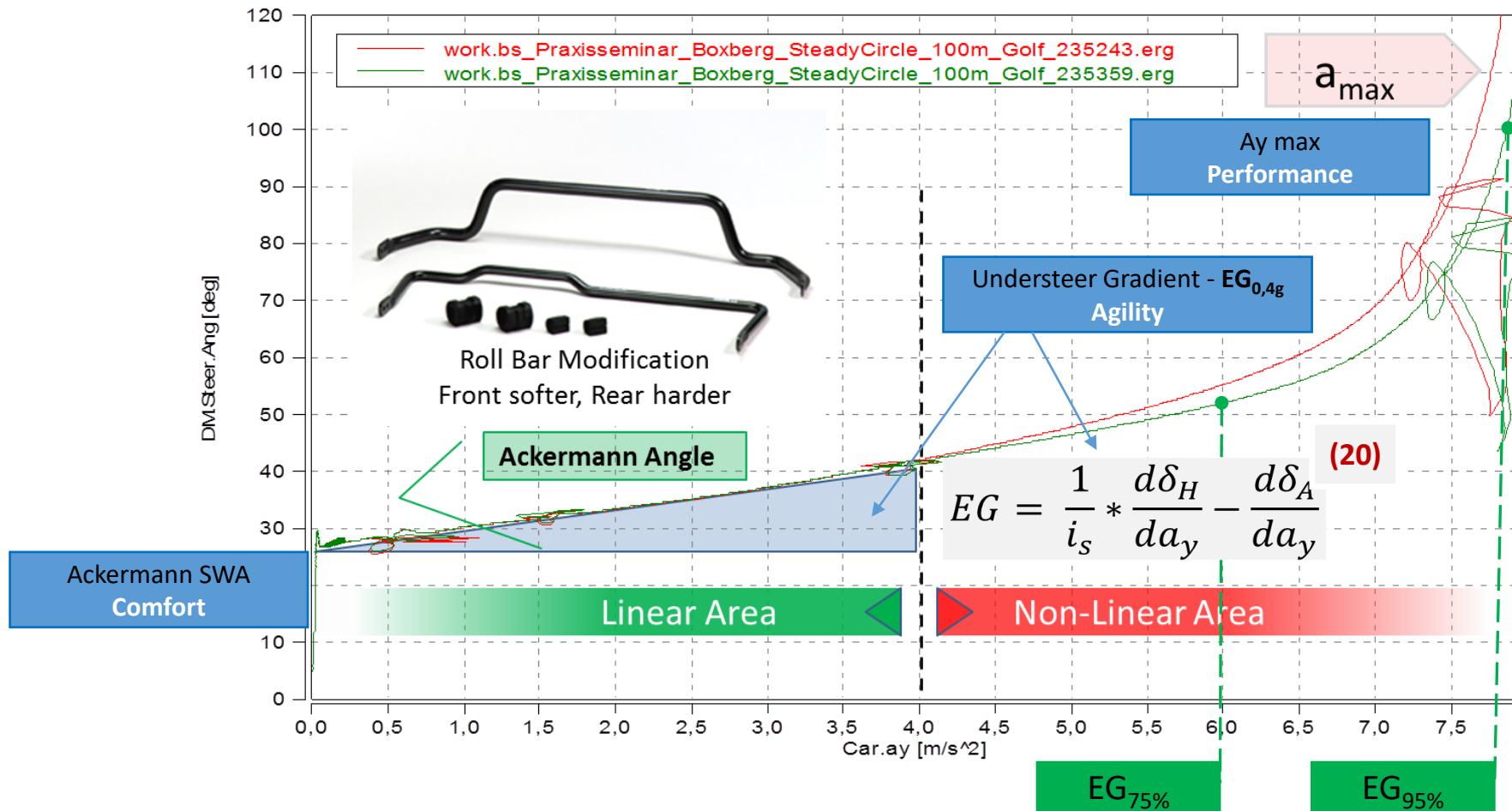
- $m=1600$ kg
- Wheel base = 2540 mm, Track width = 1420 mm,
- $m_{FA} = 880$ kg, $m_{RA} = 720$ kg,
- Steering ratio = 1:15,
- Yaw inertia moment = 2800 kg m^2 ,
- Side slip stiffness front/rear = 3000 N/°

1. Please calculate the center of gravity (GoG) in X-direction.
2. Please calculate Ackermann angle for a circle of $R=100$ m.
3. Calculate the Eigenlenkgradient (understeer gradient) between $0 - 4 \text{ m/s}^2$.

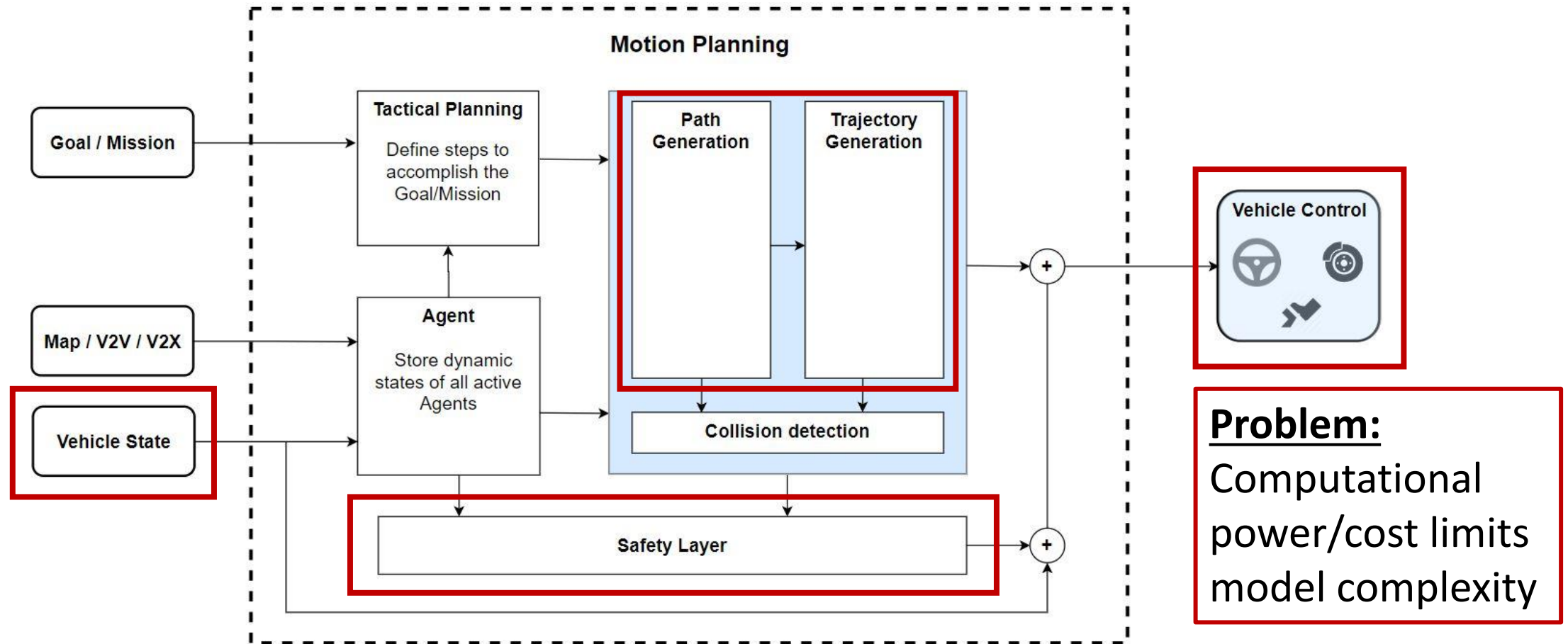
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5. How big is the steering angle for the driver at 4 m/s^2 ?
6. Which measures do you recommend to reduce the understeer gradient to appr. 50%? Please describe 3

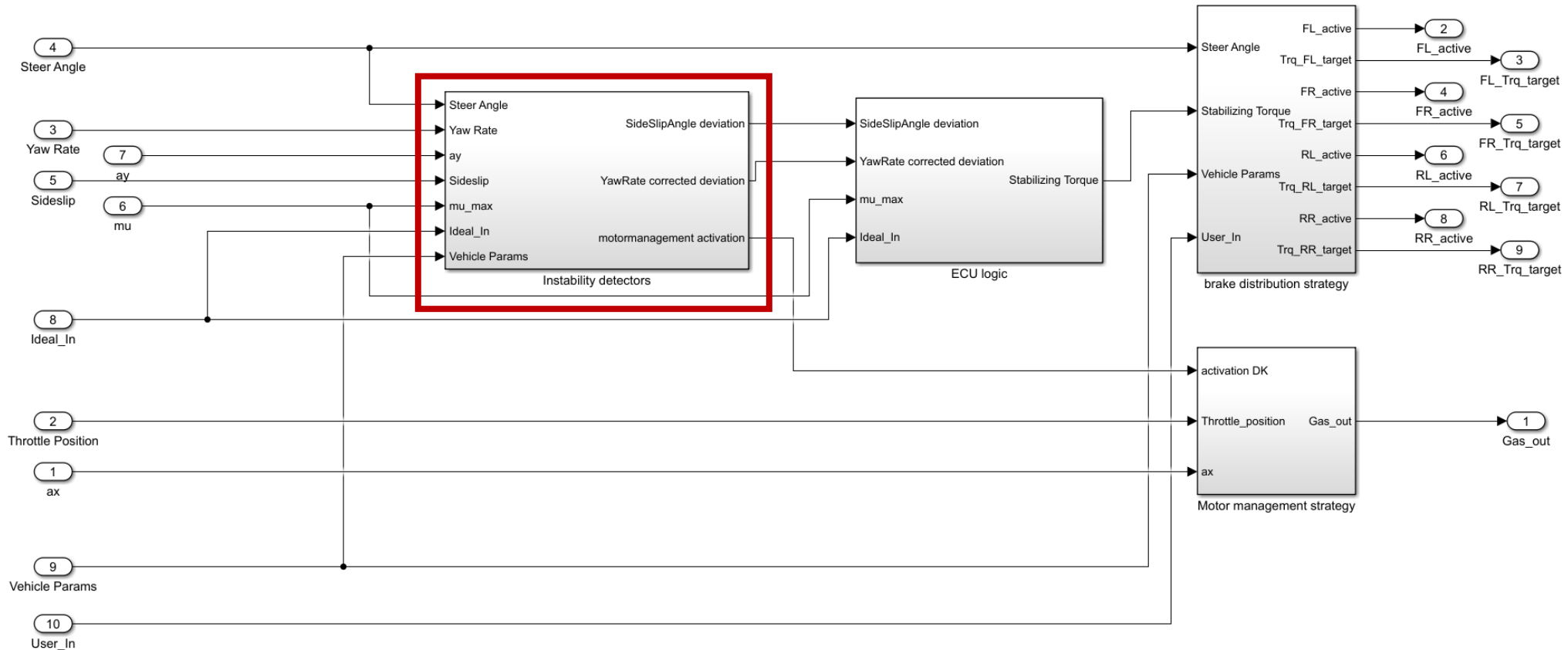
Model behavior in steady-state cornering



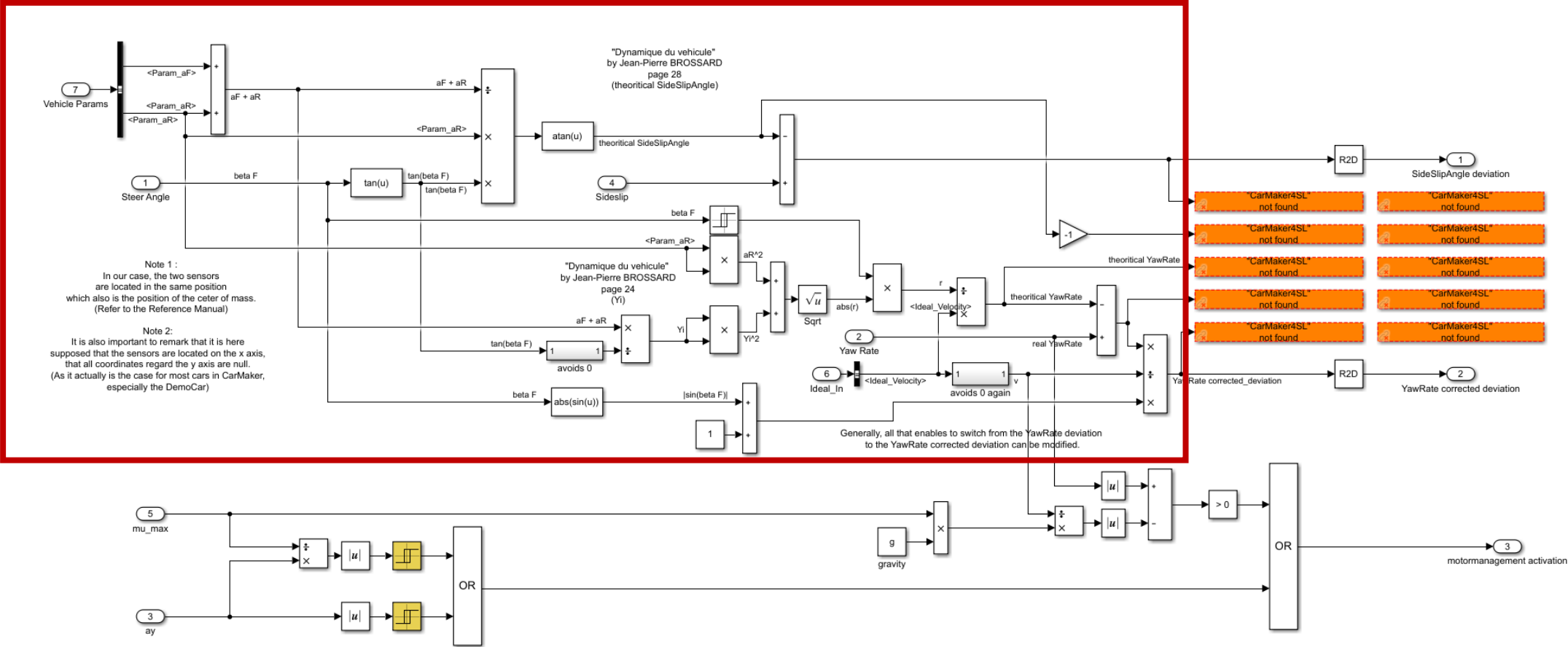
Use-Cases for a Single-track model – Model-based motion planning



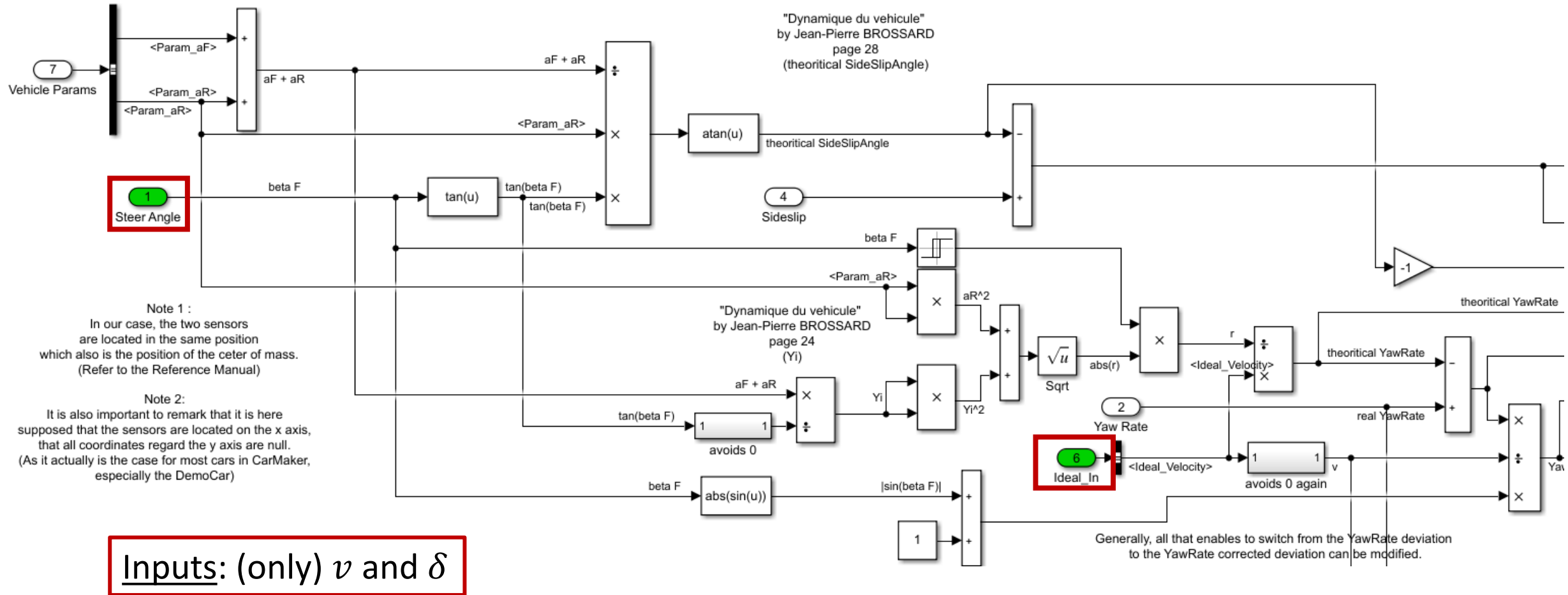
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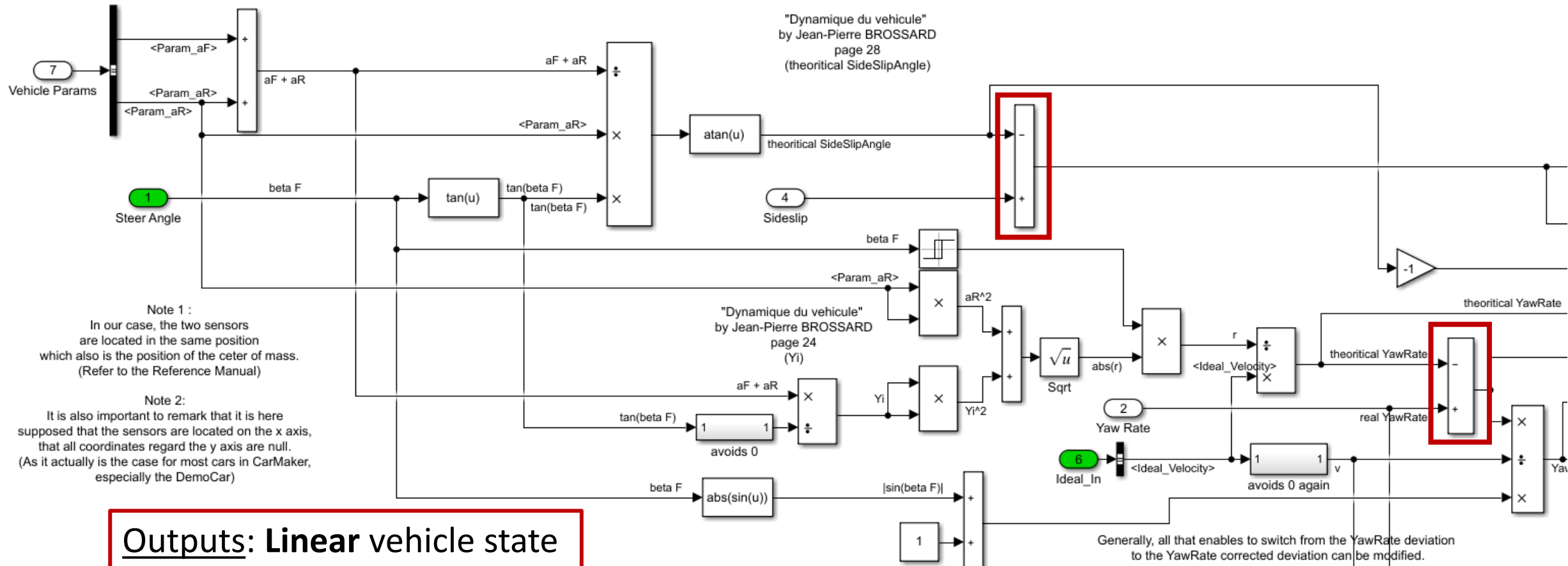
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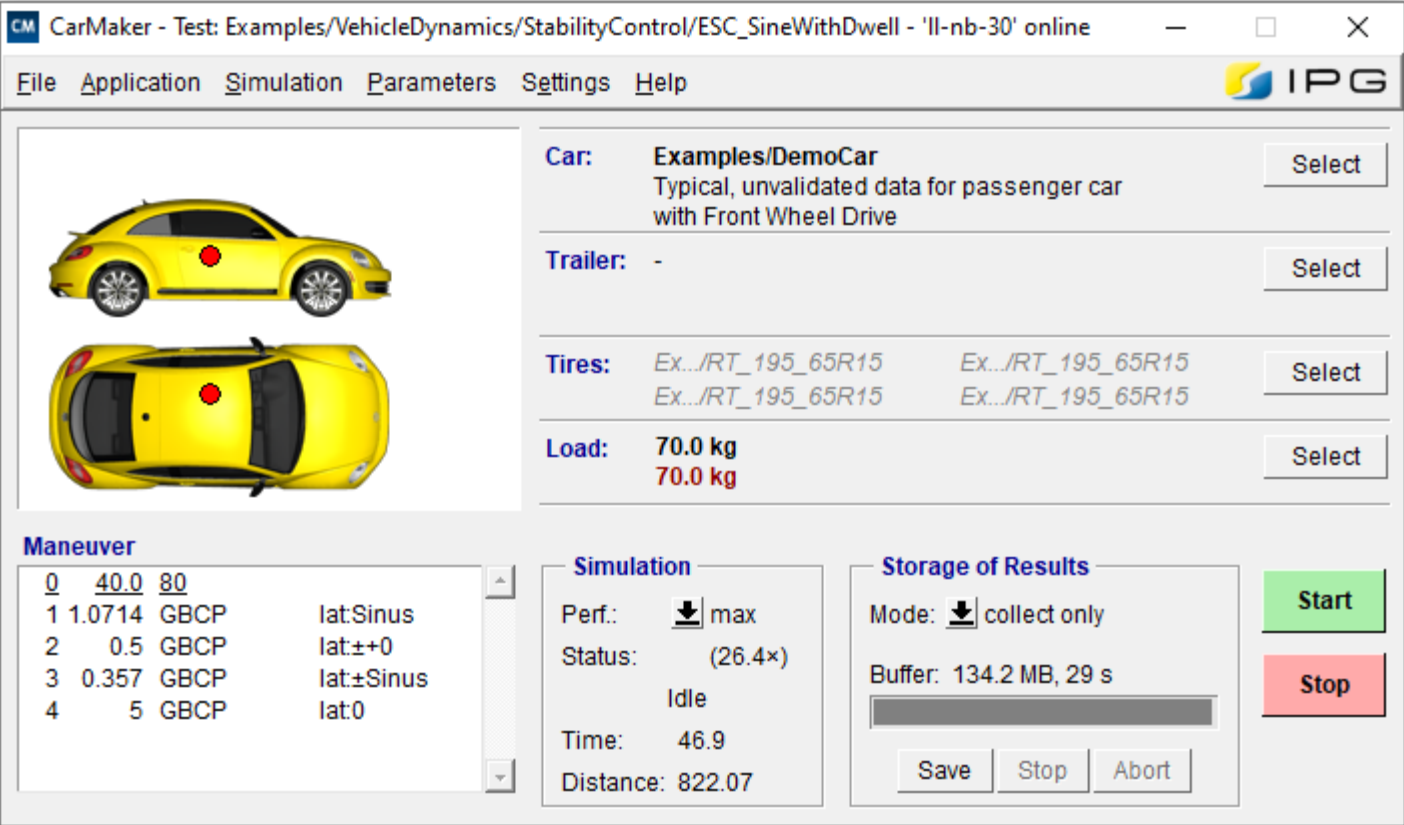


Outputs: **Linear** vehicle state
→ **Desired** vehicle response

Model-based control – CarMaker example

CM CarMaker - Test: Examples/VehicleDynamics/StabilityControl/ESC_SineWithDwell - 'Il-nb-30' online

File Application Simulation Parameters Settings Help



Car: Examples/DemoCar
Typical, unvalidated data for passenger car with Front Wheel Drive

Trailer: -

Tires: Ex.../RT_195_65R15 Ex.../RT_195_65R15
Ex.../RT_195_65R15 Ex.../RT_195_65R15

Load: 70.0 kg
70.0 kg

Maneuver

0	40.0	80	
1	1.0714	GBCP	lat:Sinus
2	0.5	GBCP	lat±+0
3	0.357	GBCP	lat±Sinus
4	5	GBCP	lat:0

Simulation

Perf.: max
Status: (26.4×)
Idle
Time: 46.9
Distance: 822.07

Storage of Results

Mode: collect only
Buffer: 134.2 MB, 29 s

Start
Stop

Save Stop Abort

CM CarMaker - Vehicle Data Set: Examples/DemoCar

Vehicle Data Set

File Close

Vehicle Body Bodies Engine Mount Suspensions Steering Tires Brake Powertrain Aerodynamics Sensors

Brake Model: Hydraulic

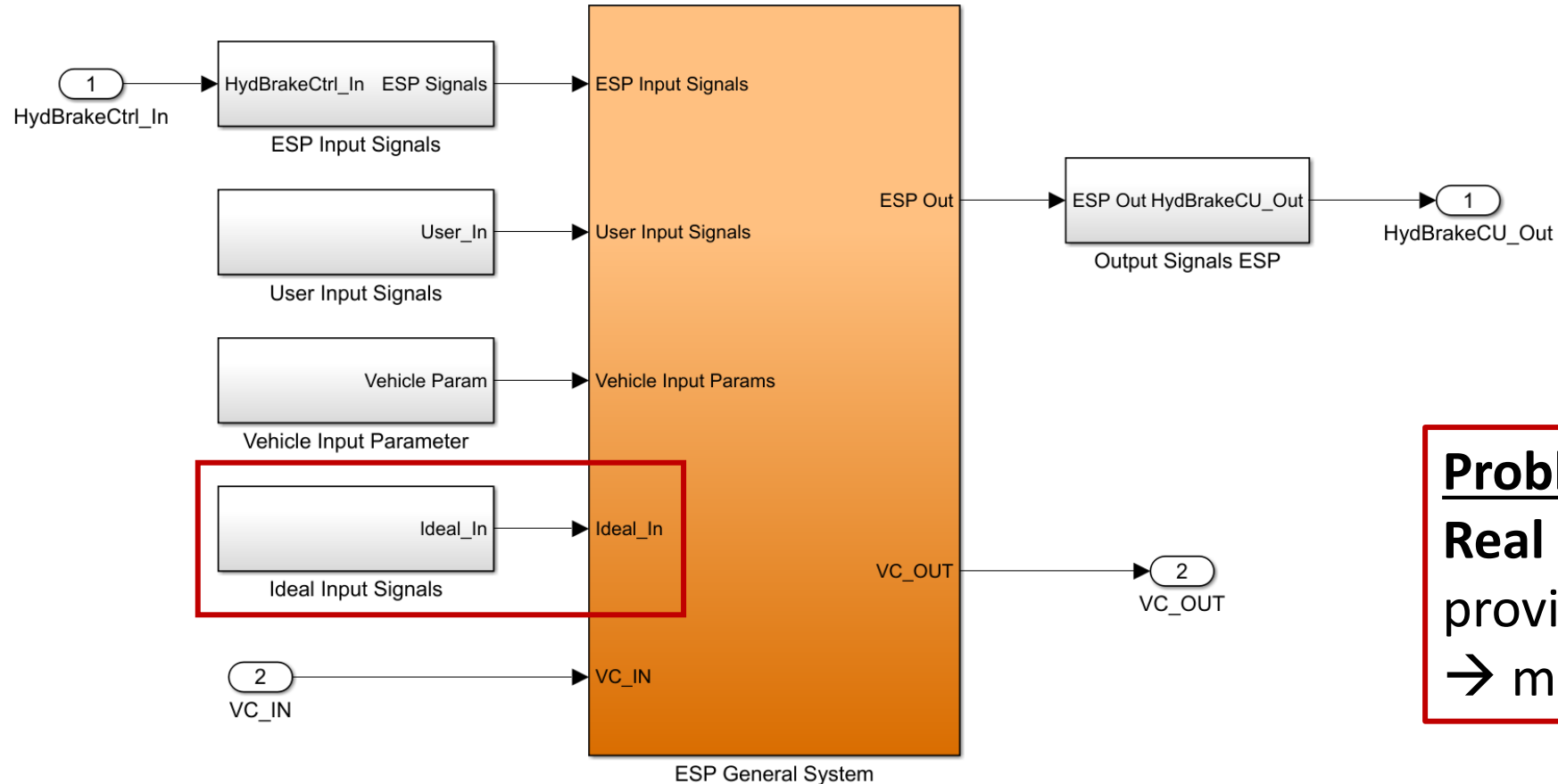
General Control System

Model: ESP RTW

Modelclass-specific Parameters

For FMU please use FMU Plug-ins.

Use-Cases for a Single-track model – Vehicle state estimation



Problem:
Real vehicles don't
provide **ideal** in-/outputs
→ model-based estimate

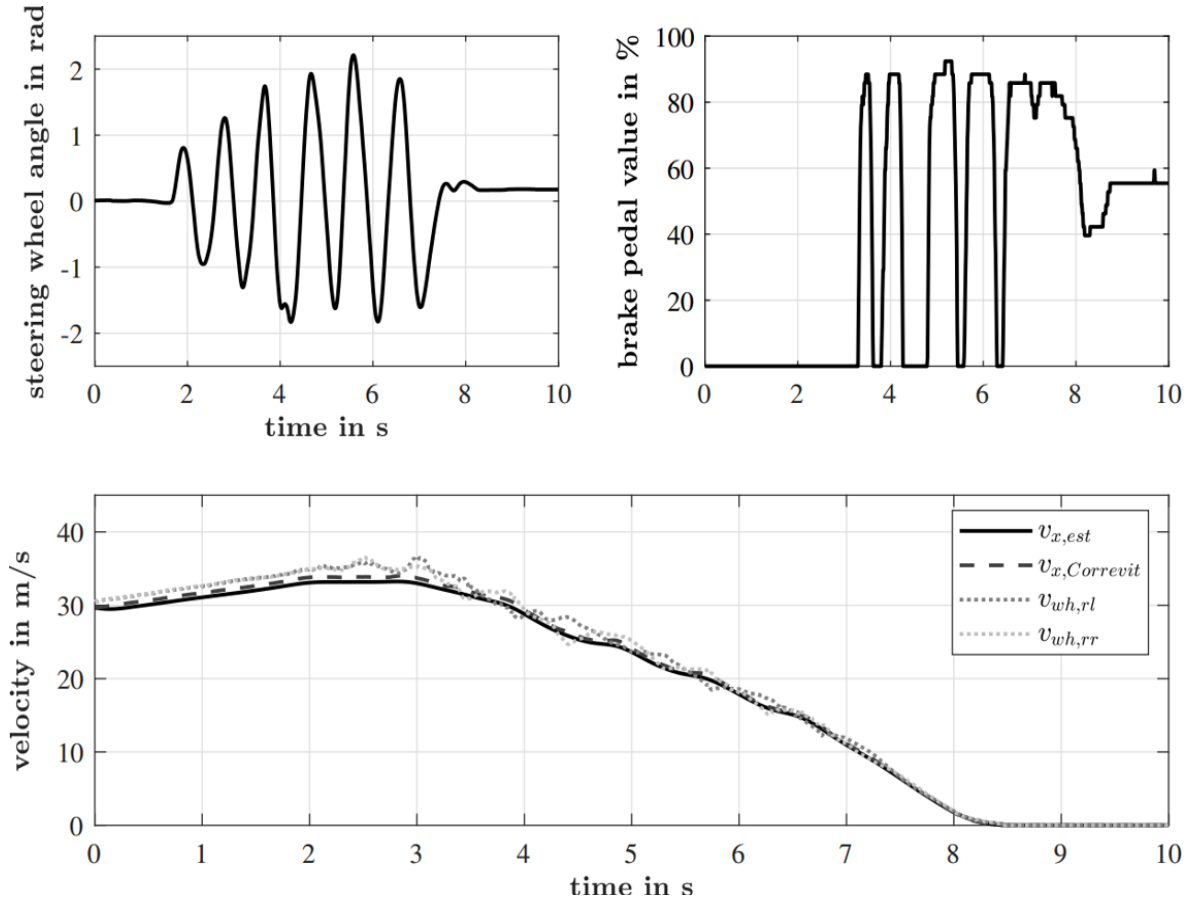
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Estimation of non-measurable quantities

- **Longitudinal velocity** under slip
- **Lateral velocity**
- **Tire forces**
- Available **friction coefficient** (tire potential)
- Road bank angle
- ...

Prediction of vehicle state

- Motion planning
- Advanced control



What can we improve? – Extensions of the Single-Track model

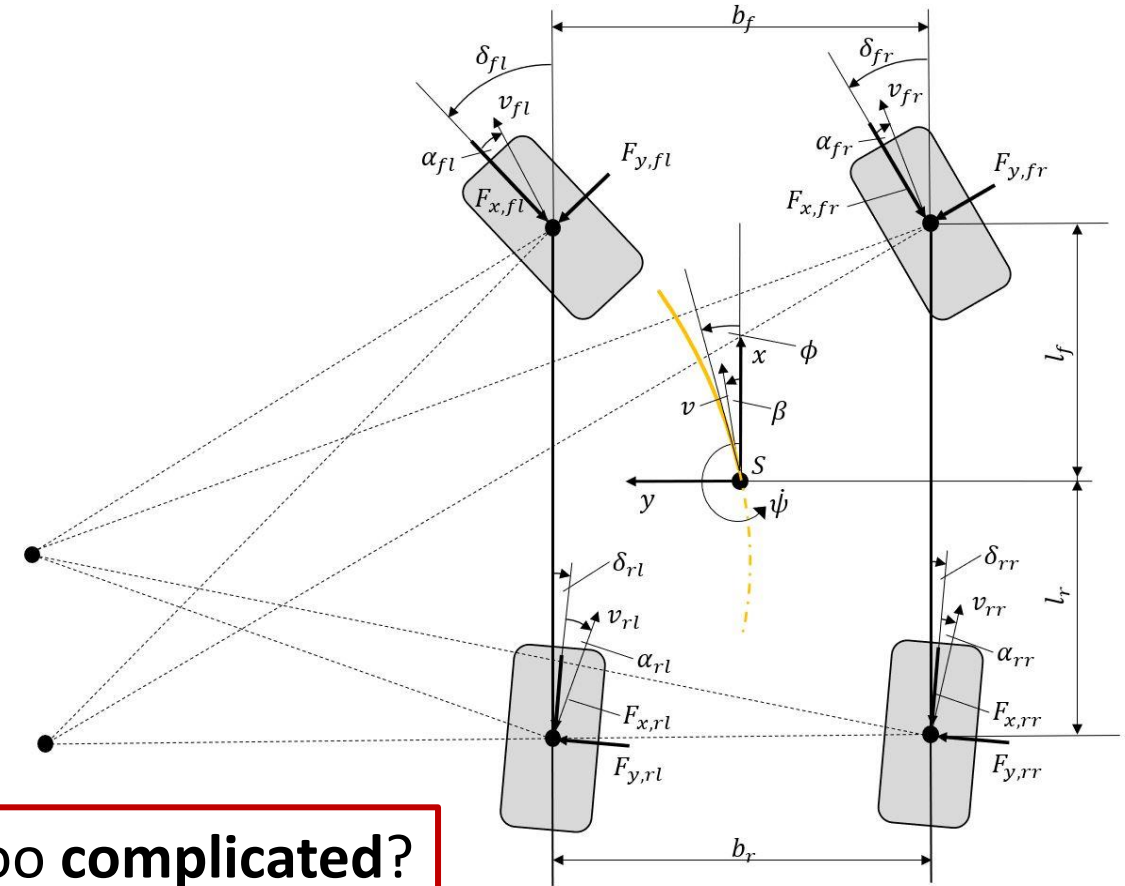
Two-track model (6 DOF)

- Consider **roll**, **heave** and **pitch** motion
 - **CoG height** is now relevant
 - Four wheels with **dynamic wheel load transfer**

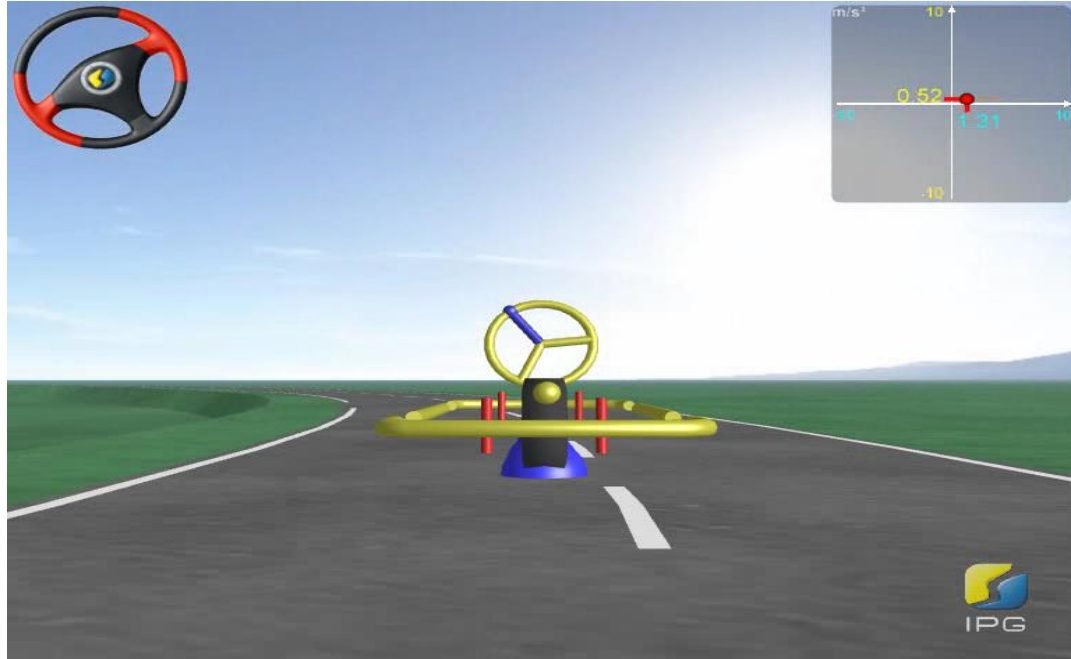
Non-linear tire modeling

- Saturation through long./lat. force limits (tire potential)
- Steering angle on both axles
- Slip-angle contribution of resulting axle stiffness
- Transient vertical dynamics
- Combined slip modeling
- ...

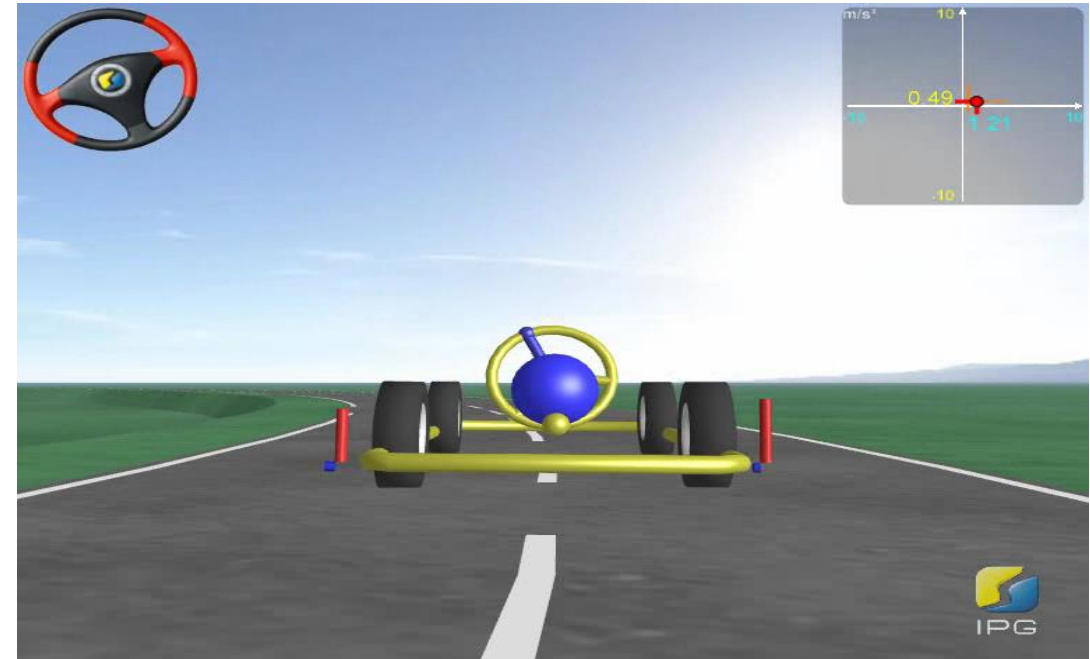
→ How complex is too complicated?



Comparison Single Track Model with 3D-MBS Model in circular driving



Single Track Model
(linear)



Reduced MBS 3D-Model
with empirical parts

Validity of a single-track model: CarMaker exercise

