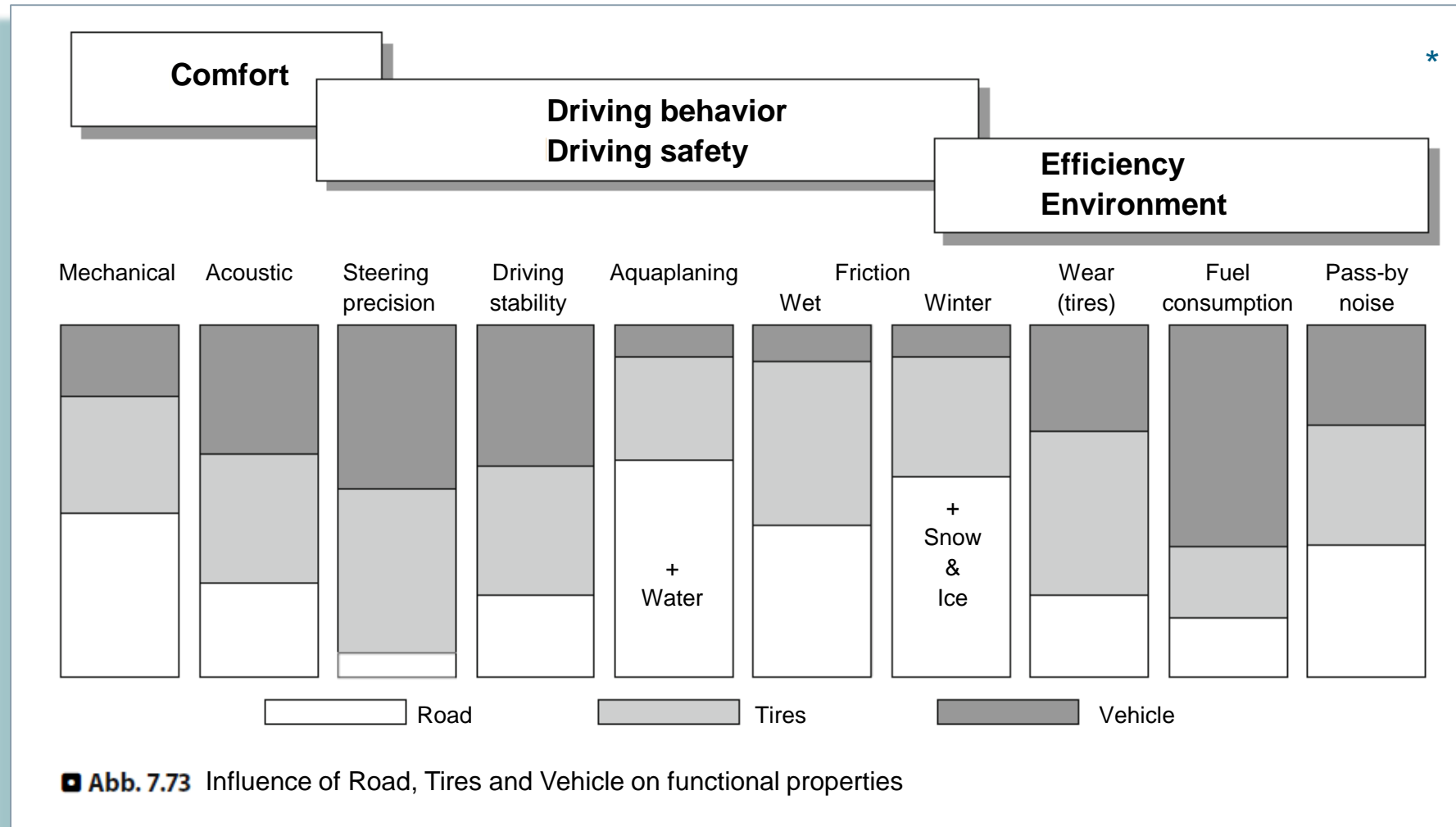




Tire testing and model parameterization to fit vehicle dynamic simulation requirements

The influence of tires on vehicle performance properties



Tire model parameterization challenge



Tire models for vehicle dynamics must meet the highest demands regarding model accuracy and predictive analytics

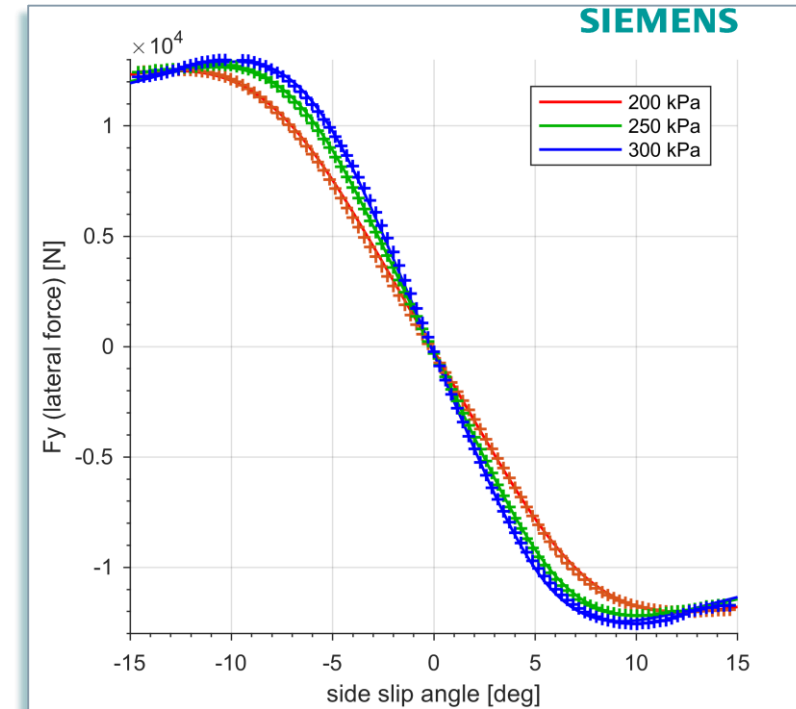
Challenge is to manage:

- **All influences on tire performance**
- **Tire modelling across the company**



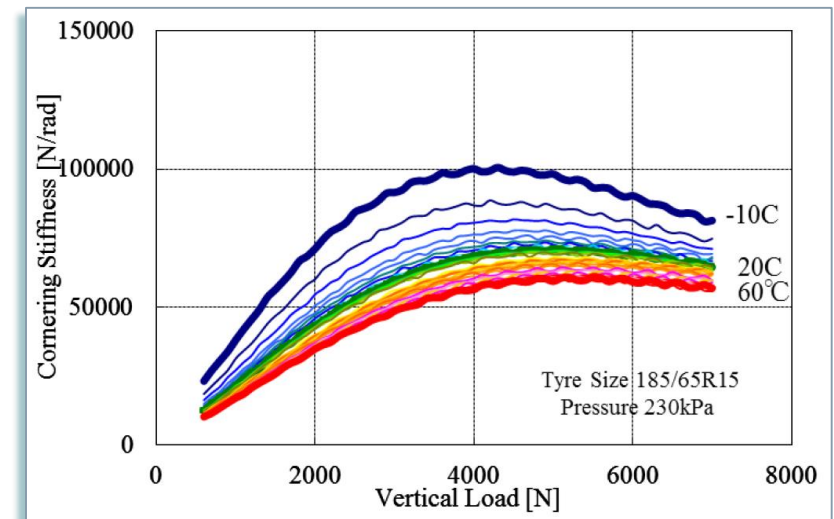
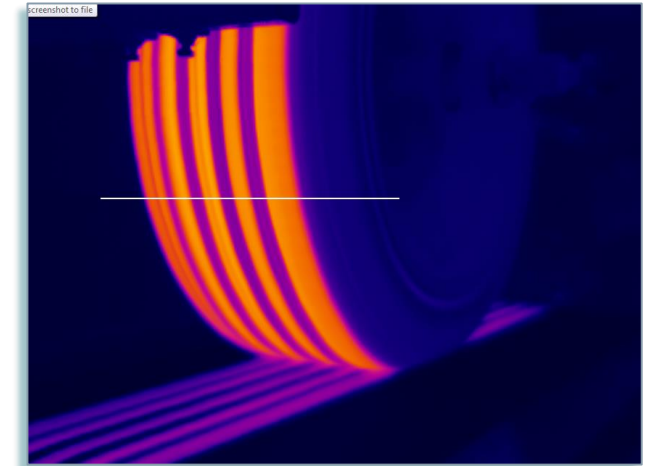
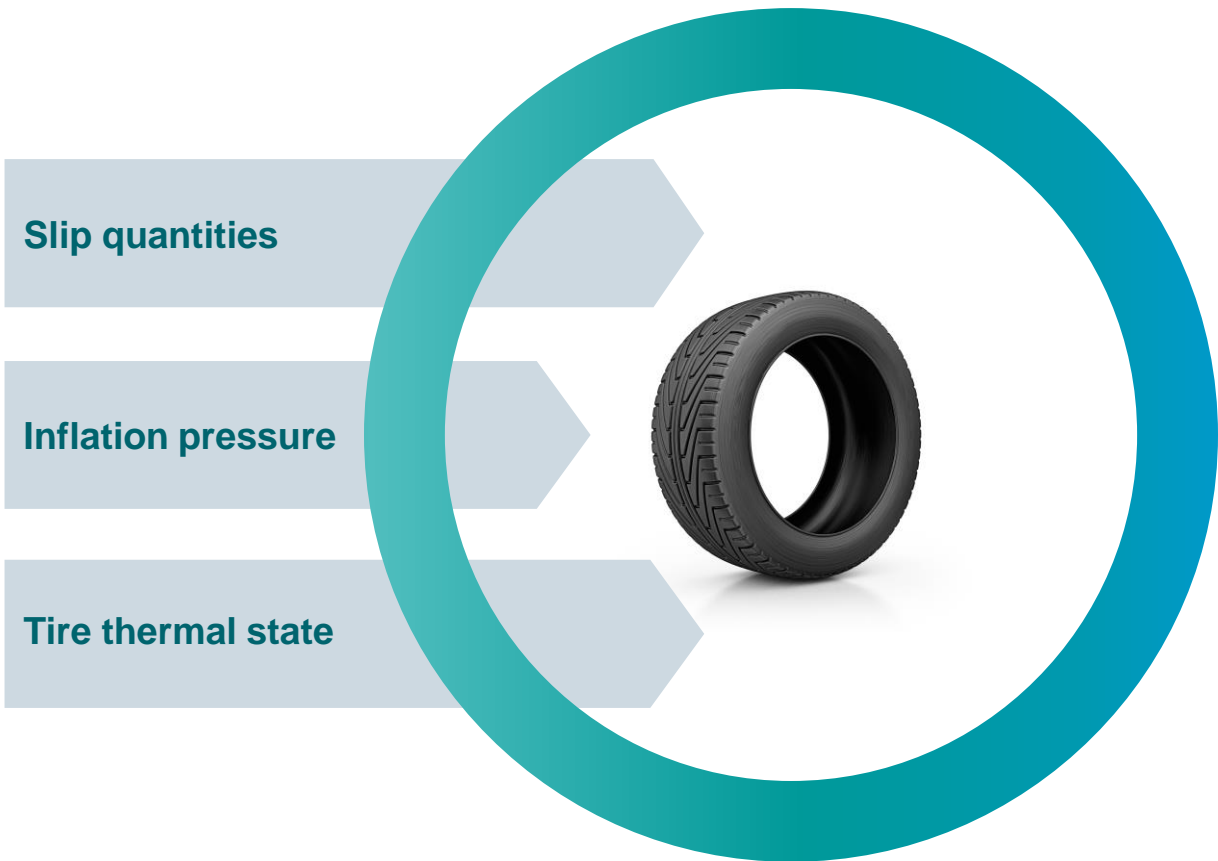
Tire model parameterization

Challenge: Managing influences on tire performance



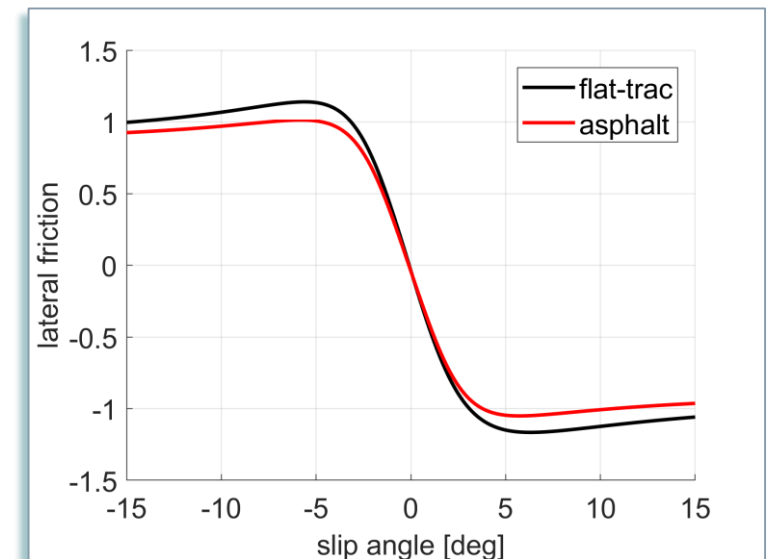
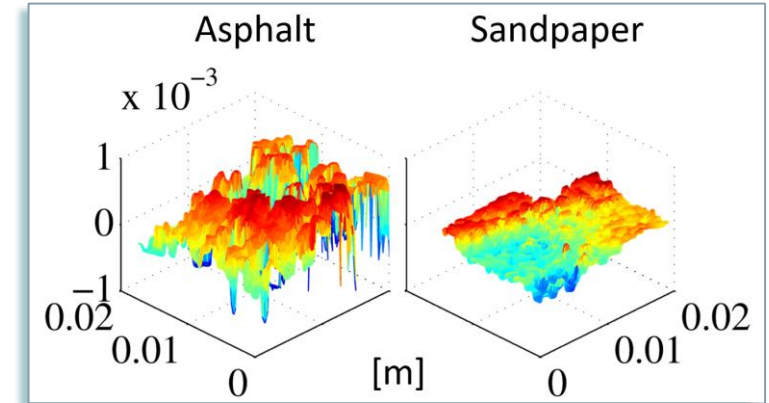
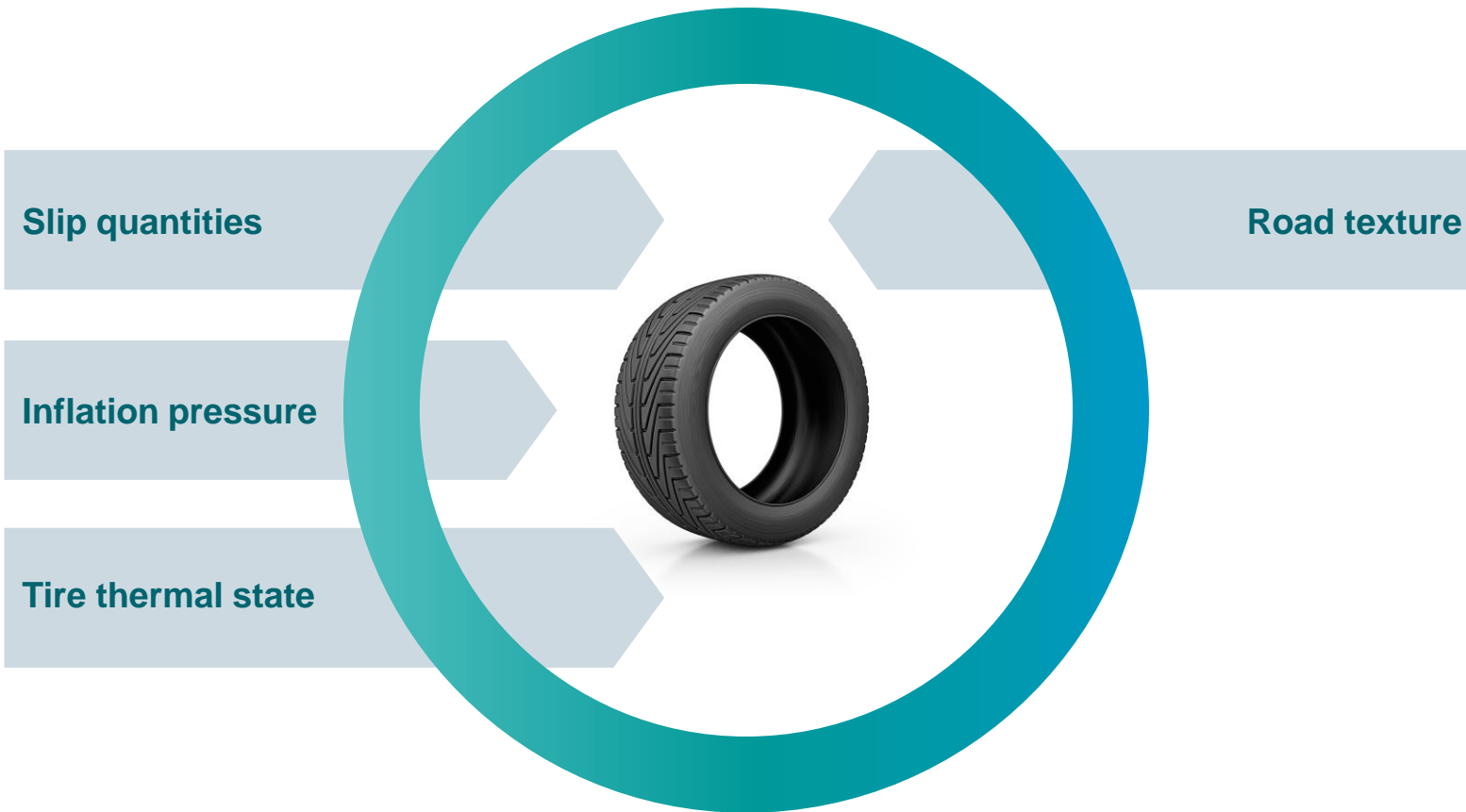
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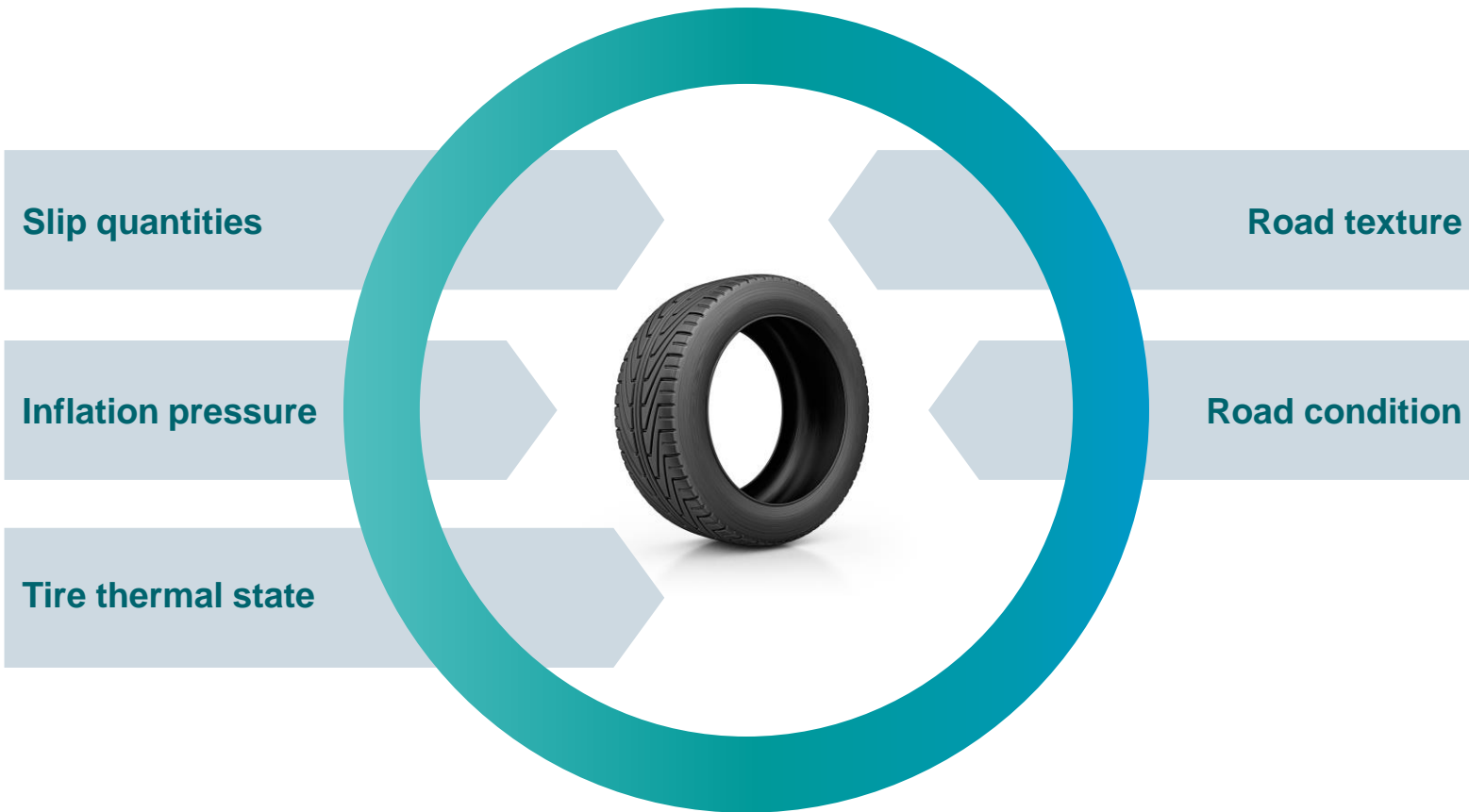
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Tire model parameterization

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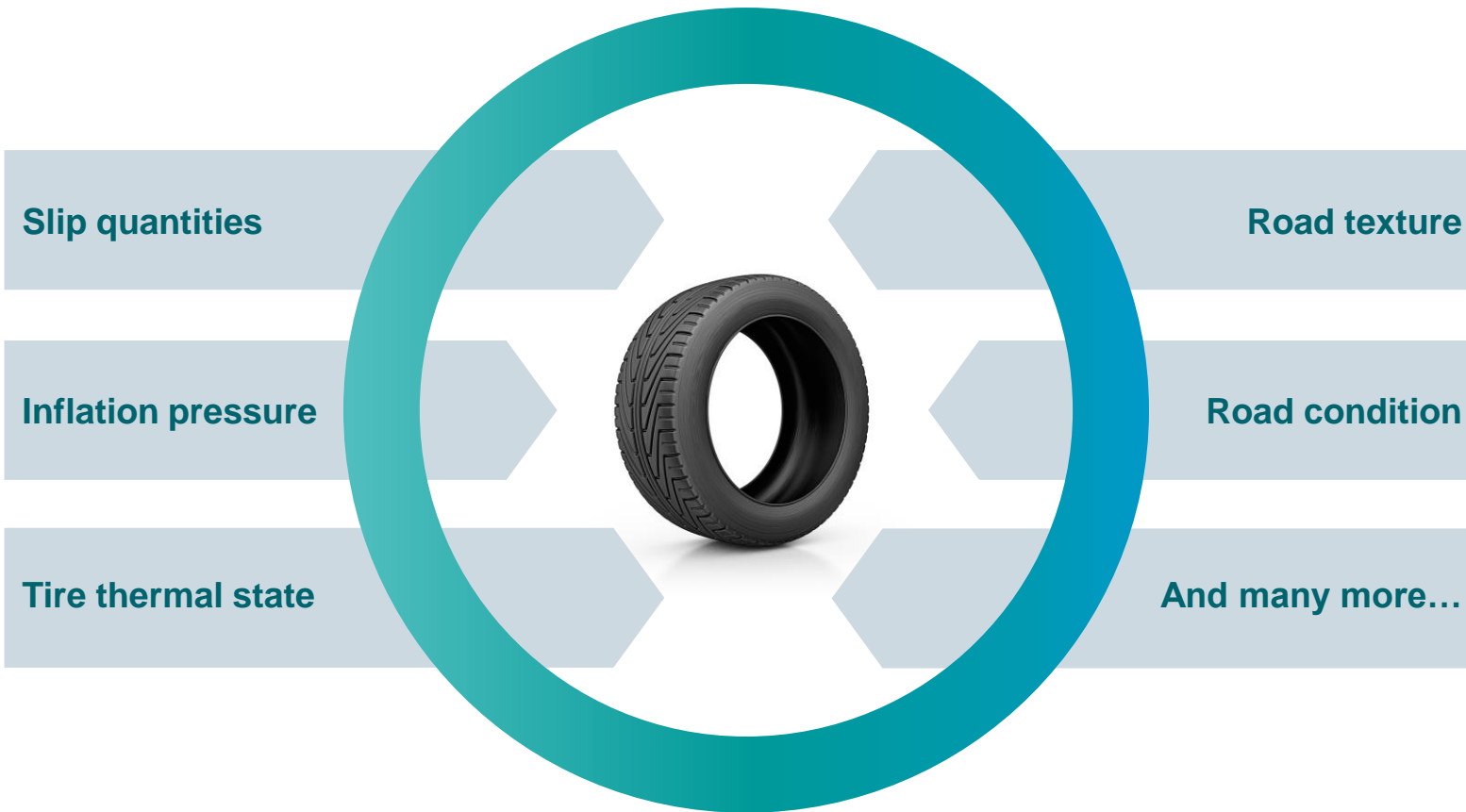
Snow



Polished Ice

Tire model parameterization

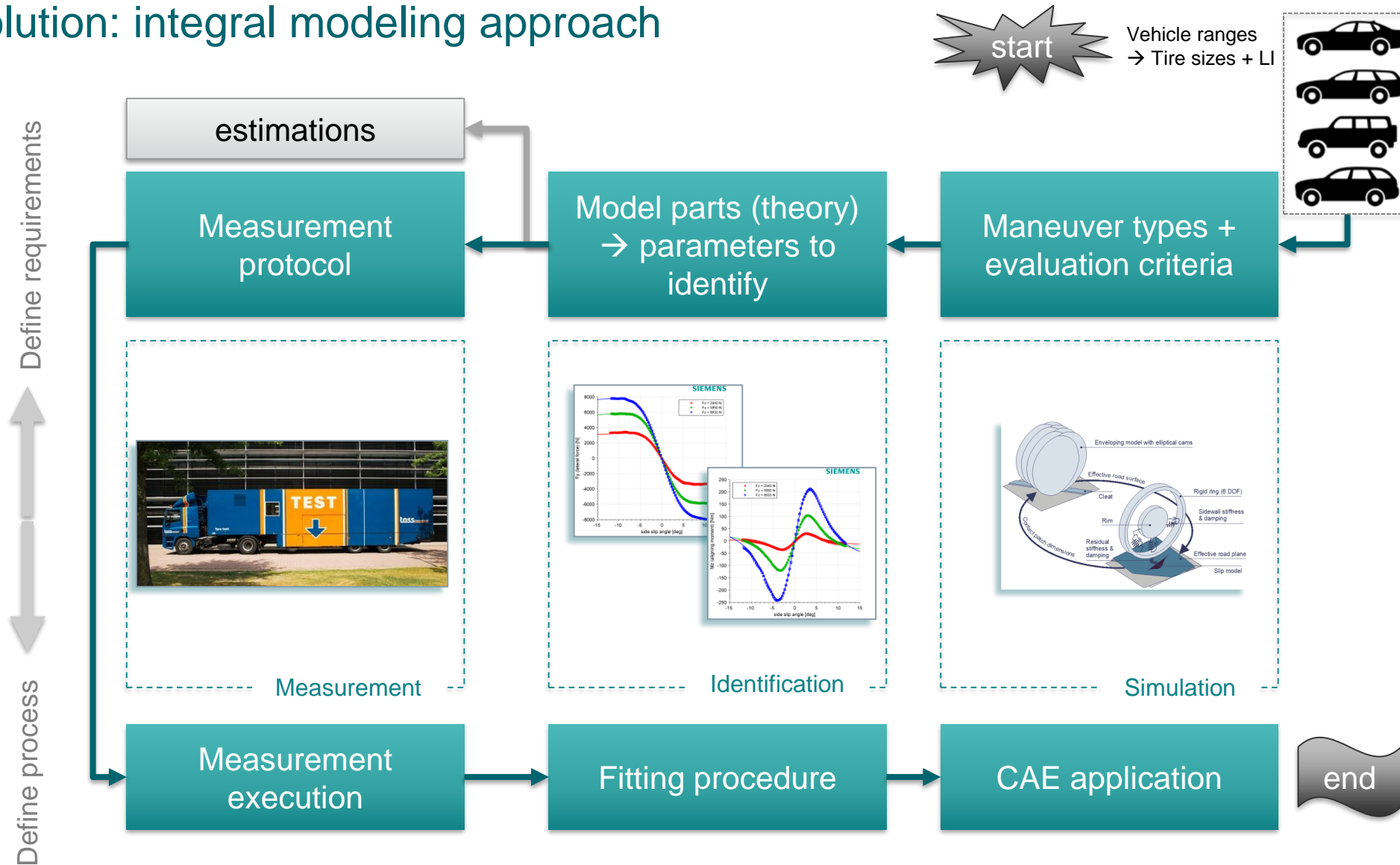
Challenge: Managing influences on tire performance



Goal: predict tire performance in context of real-life vehicle performance

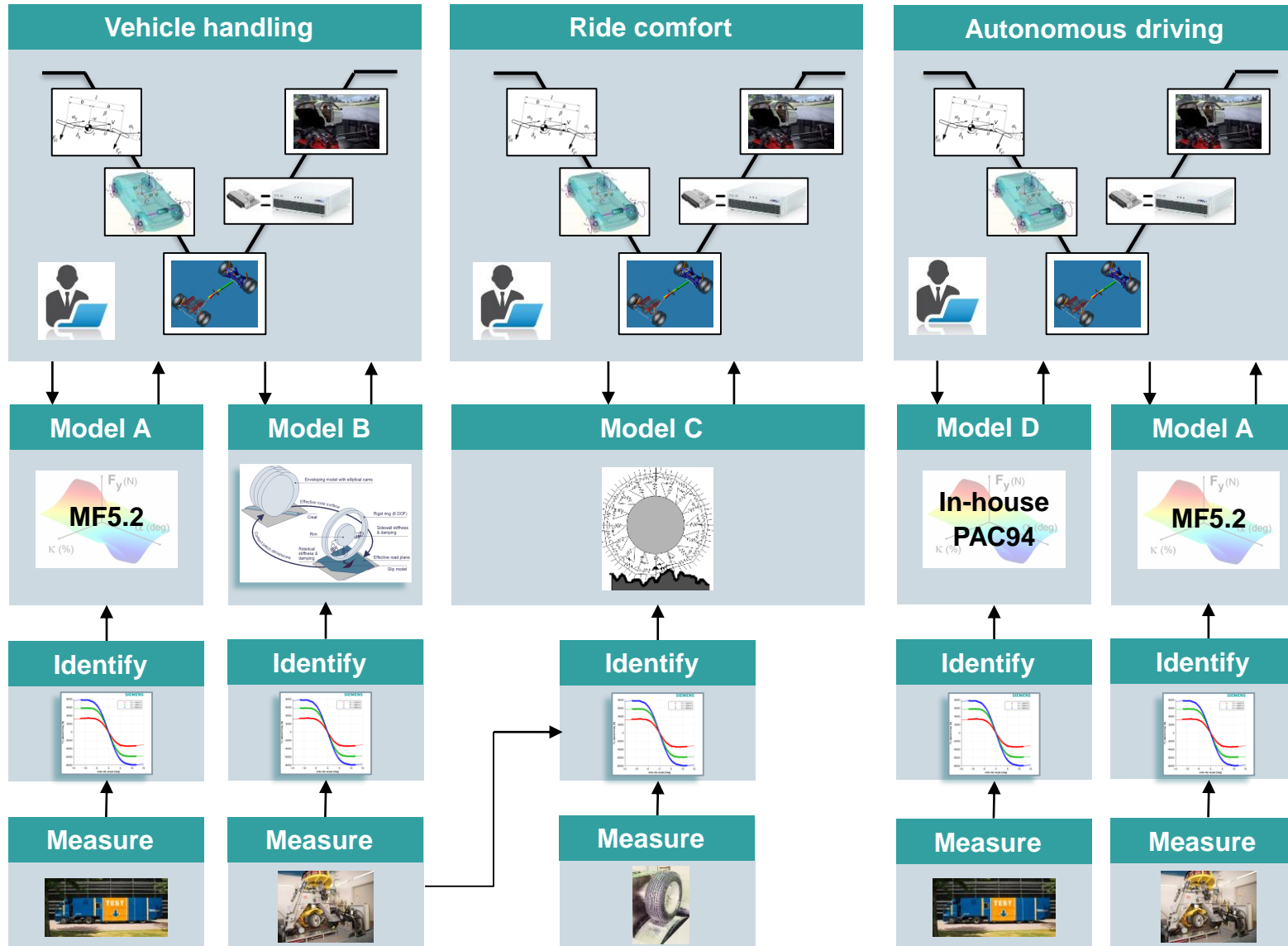
Tire model parameterization

Solution: integral modeling approach



Tire model parameterization

Challenge: process complexity

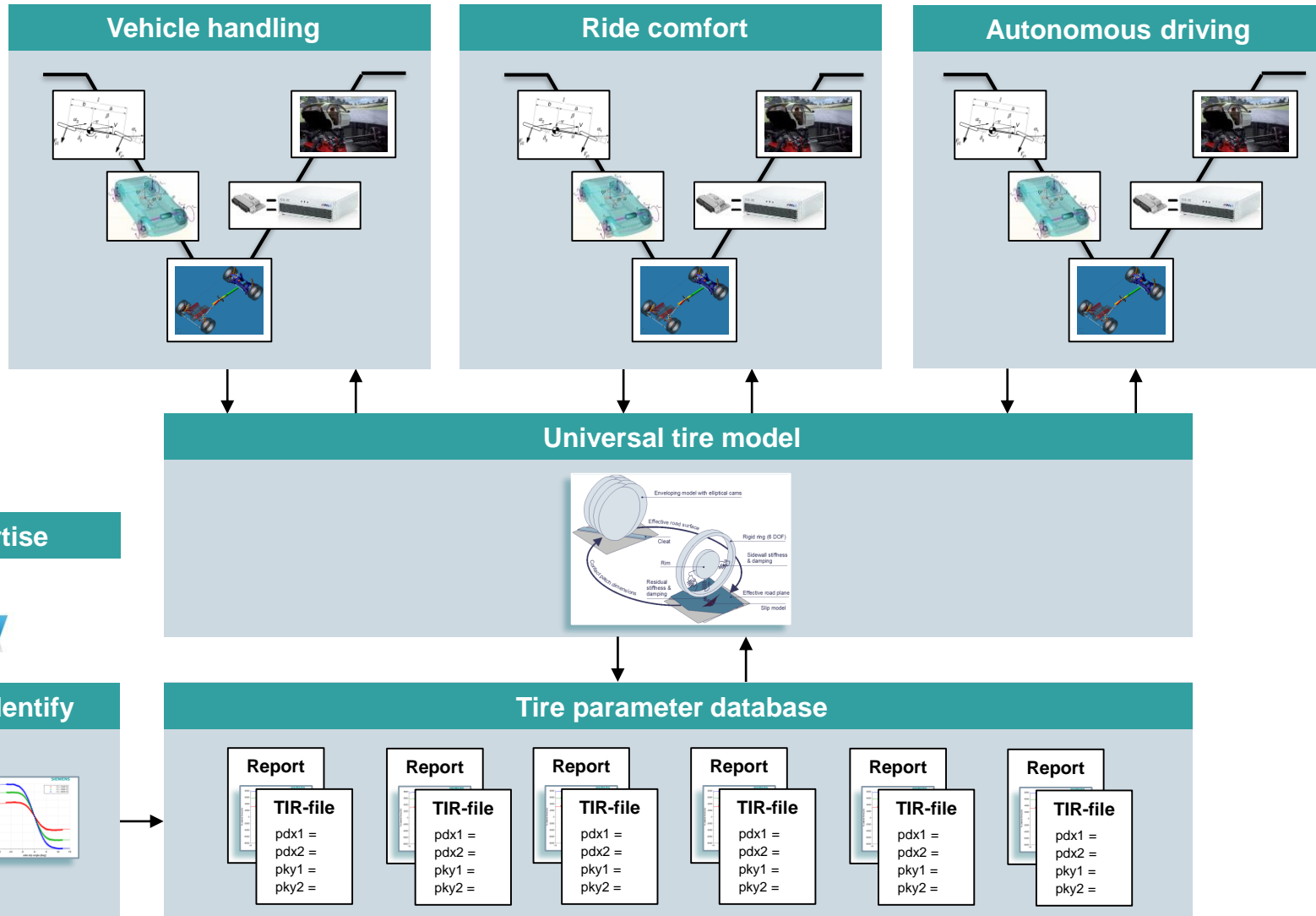


Resulting challenges:

- Equal tire providing different performance
- Cost inefficiency
- Unshared local expertise

Tire model parameterization

Solution: process unification



Resulting advantages:

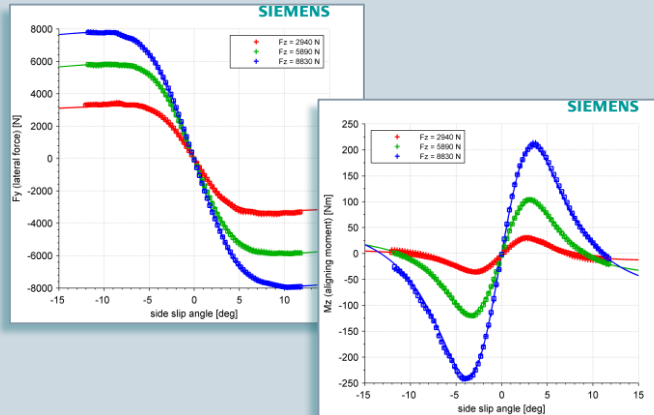
- Cost efficiency
- Model sharing
- Common 'language'
- Center of expertise

Tire modeling for vehicle dynamics

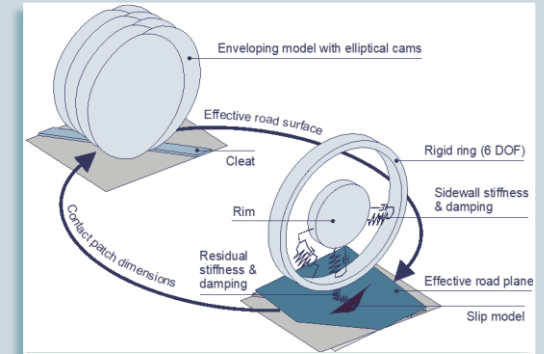
Tire testing



Parameter identification



Simulation



Quality of individual steps determines final accuracy,
efficiency reduces costs

Cost

'Savings'

Virtual prototyping

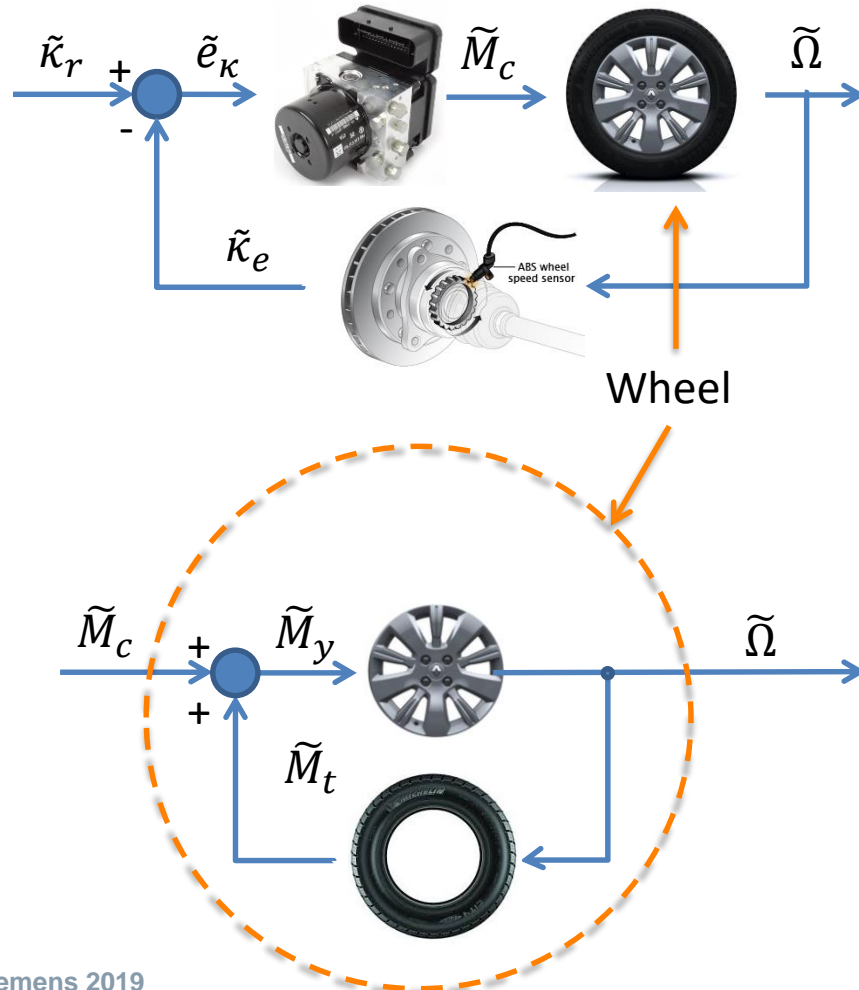
Practical use case



ABS Braking:
**Cost-efficiently identify the tire
transient response**

Use case: ABS braking

A simplified ABS control loop



- Control loop of a single wheel
- Linearized around an operating point
- Useful to study parameter sensitivity

$$W = \frac{1}{s I_y + (-K_{st})H(s)}$$

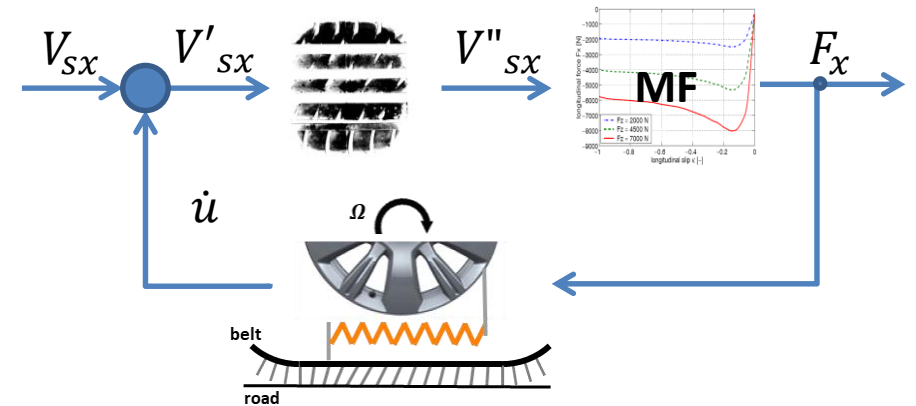
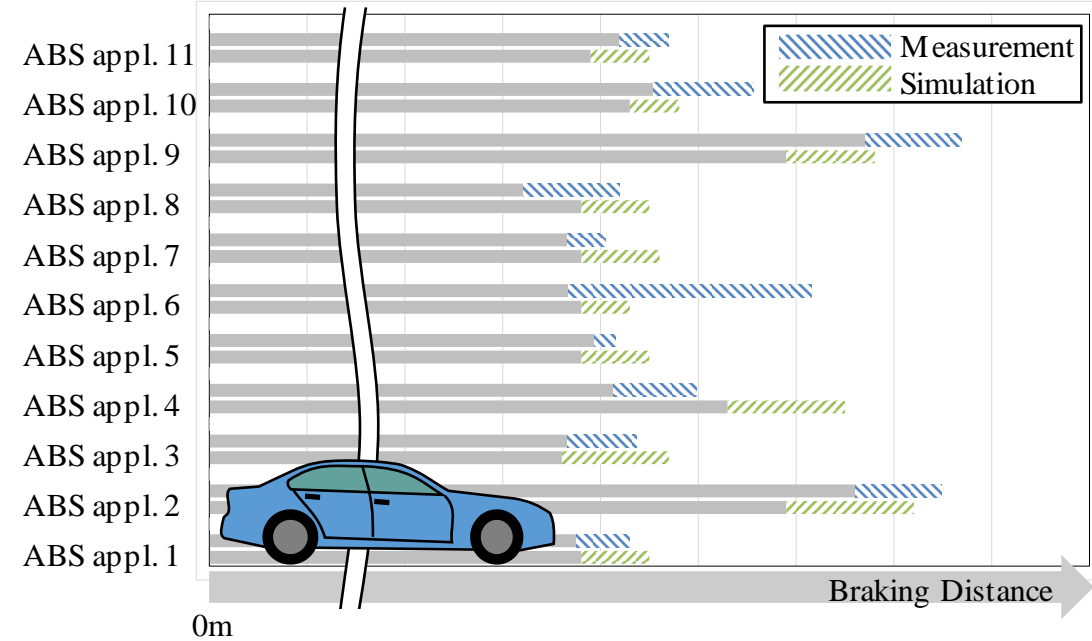
Wheel inertia moment \rightarrow $s I_y$
 Tire steady-state gain \rightarrow $(-K_{st})$
 Tire transient response \rightarrow $H(s)$

Use case: ABS braking

Challenge in identification of transient tire properties



- Accurate prediction of influence of ABS controller setting
- Tire model setup:
 - Non-linear transient model
 - Magic Formula slip characteristics
 - OpenCRG road modelling
- Tire model parameterization:
 - Test Trailer slip characteristics
 - Tire carcass stiffness from cleat measurements
- Challenge: cleat measurements relatively expensive and not always available



Use case: ABS braking

Alternative tire transient identification



- Typical carcass stiffness parameter identification methods:

Cleat test:

- + accurate (if performed well)
- complex
- high costs

Static stiffness test:

- + low costs
- poor accuracy (in representing a rolling tire)

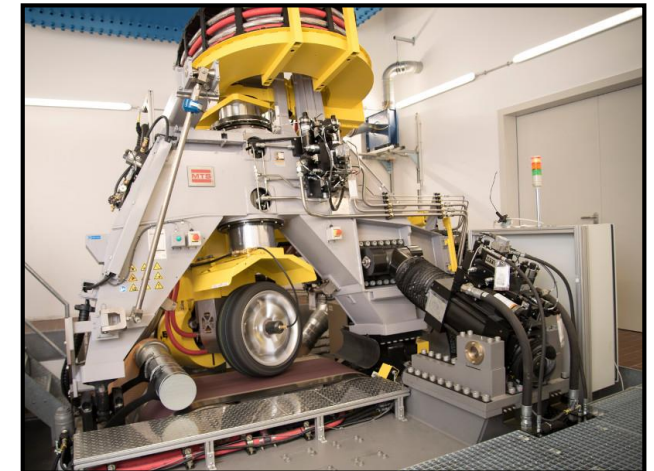
- Alternative: dynamically excite rolling tire to produce a direct measure of the transient response
- MTS Flat-Trac: Harmonically excited longitudinal slip:
 - Amplitude: 2% slip, brake/drive around 0
 - Frequency: [0.1 0.5 1 2 4 6 8 10] Hz



Michelin engineering services



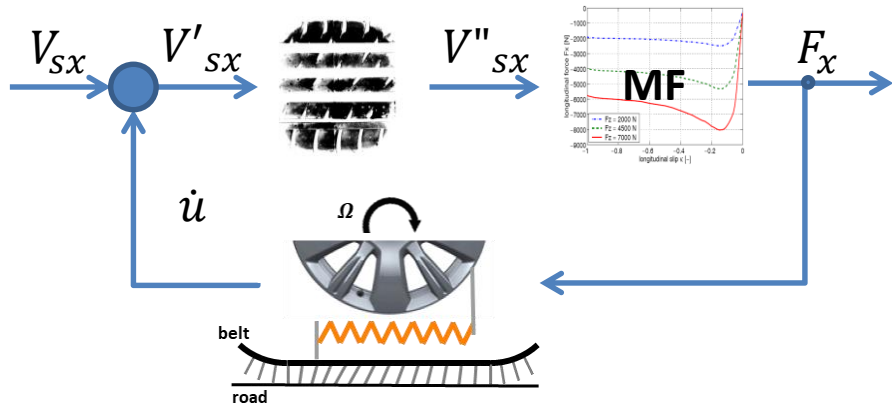
UTM stiffness tester



FKA MTS Flat-Trac

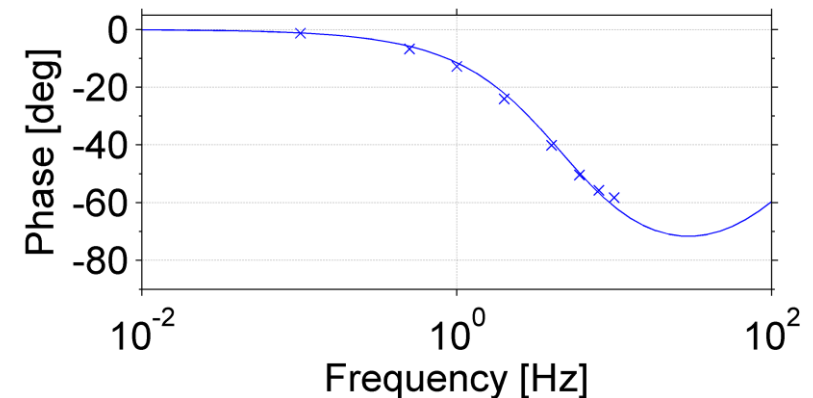
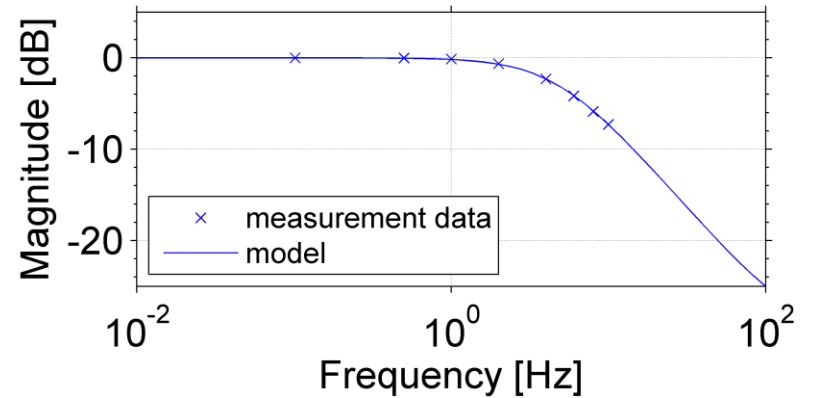
Use case: ABS braking

Alternative tire transient identification



$$H(s) = \frac{F_x}{C_{FK} \kappa} = \frac{|V_x| (k_{cx}s + c_{cx})}{(\sigma_c s + |V_x|) \cdot (k_{cx}s + c_{cx}) + |V_x| C_{FK} s}$$

Known
Default damping
Identified



Qualitatively similar results at ~50% of the costs, cleat testing provides premium solution

Practical use case



Parking:

**Extend a regular tire model for
low-speed maneuvering**

Use case: Low speed maneuvering and parking

Challenge in modeling low speed tire behavior

- The development of ADAS systems rely on accurate models

- Steering at low speed leads to:

Non-uniform velocity ($\vec{V}_p \neq \vec{V}_c$)



Non-uniform sliding velocity ($\vec{V}_{sp} \neq \vec{V}_{sc}$)



Non-uniform horizontal stress ($\vec{\tau}_p \neq \vec{\tau}_c$)

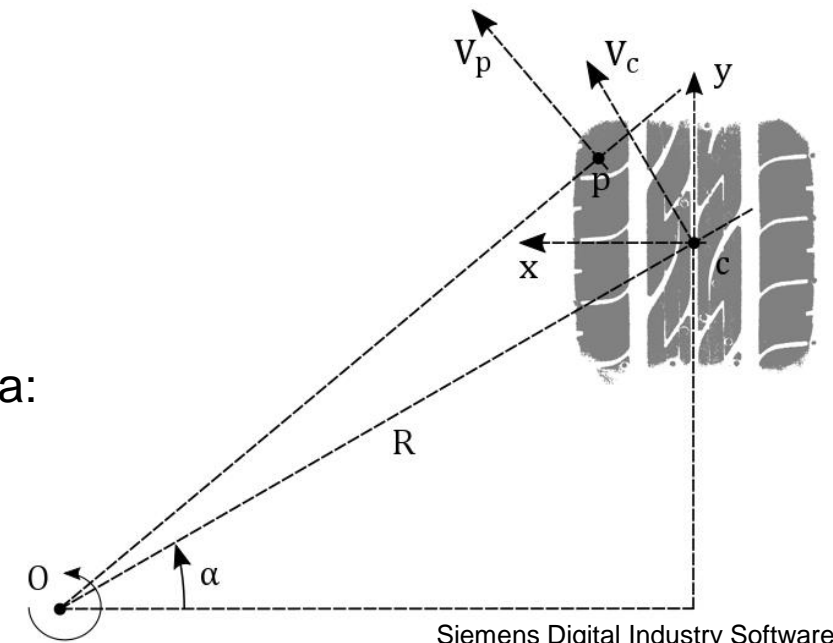
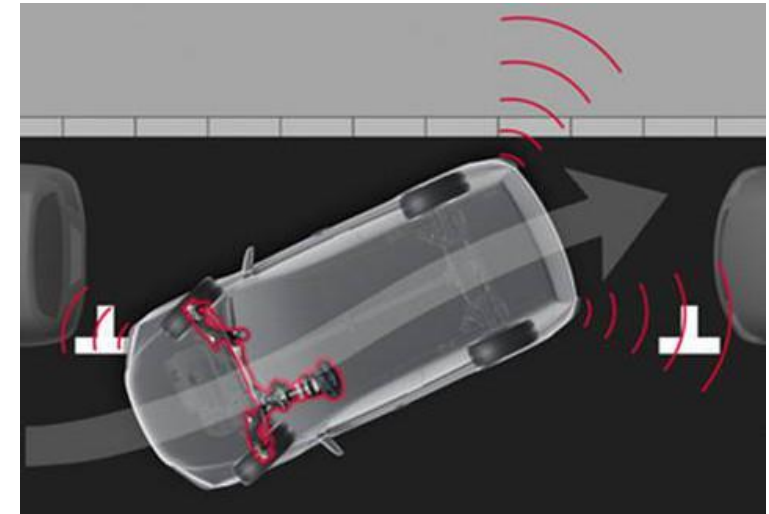


Generation of extra aligning moment

- Challenge: effect not taken into account by traditional Magic Formula:

$$M_z = f(F_z, \alpha, \gamma, \kappa, p_i)$$

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Ingenuity for life



Use case: Low speed maneuvering and parking

Modeling tire spin phenomena

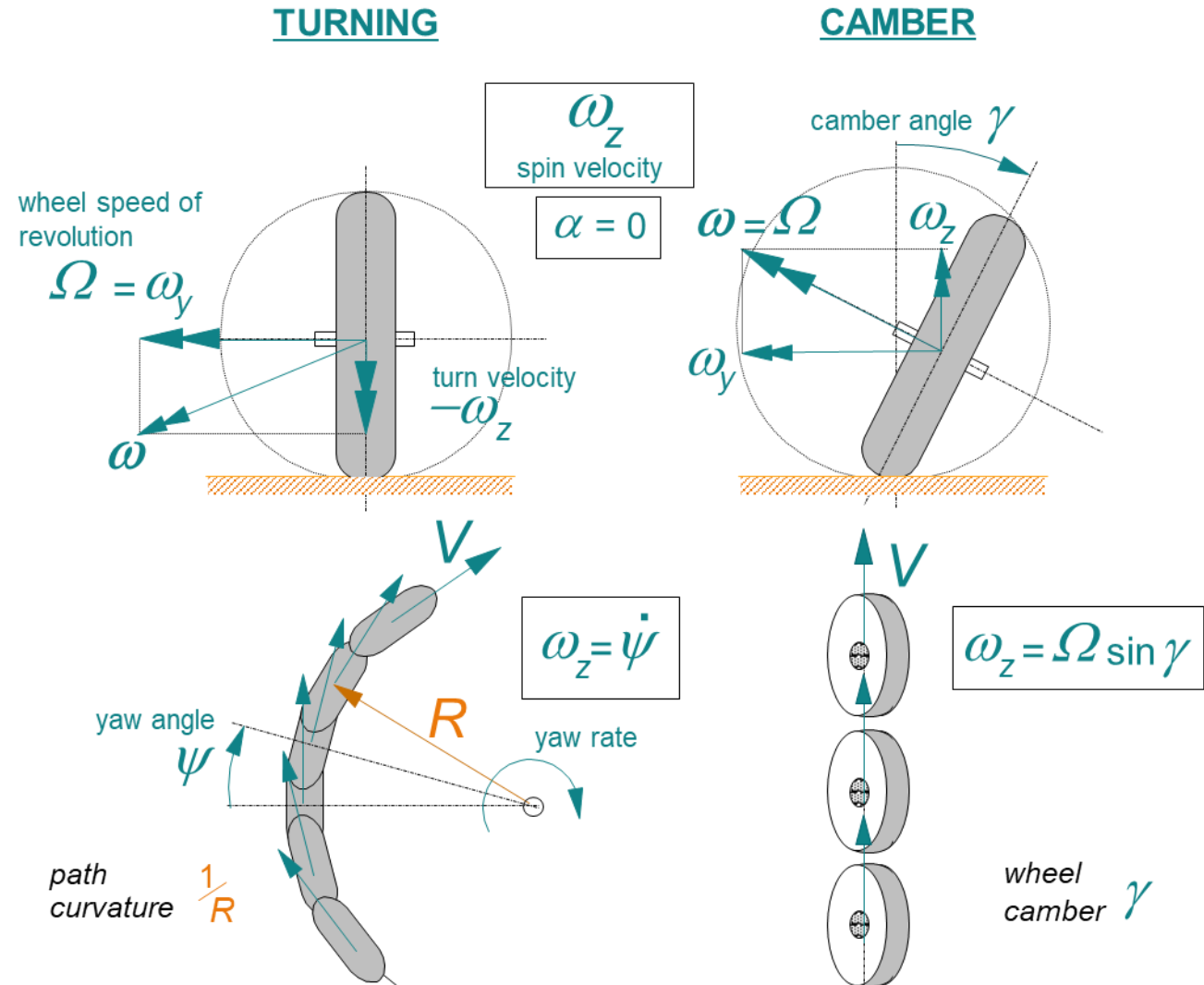
- Spin (or rotational slip) is described by two components:
 - Spin due to path curvature (referred to as turn slip)
 - Spin due to wheel camber (referred to as camber slip)

- Spin defined as:

$$\varphi = -\frac{1}{V} \omega_z$$

- Tire model extended with spin:
 - Dedicated model for standstill
 - Magic Formula extension

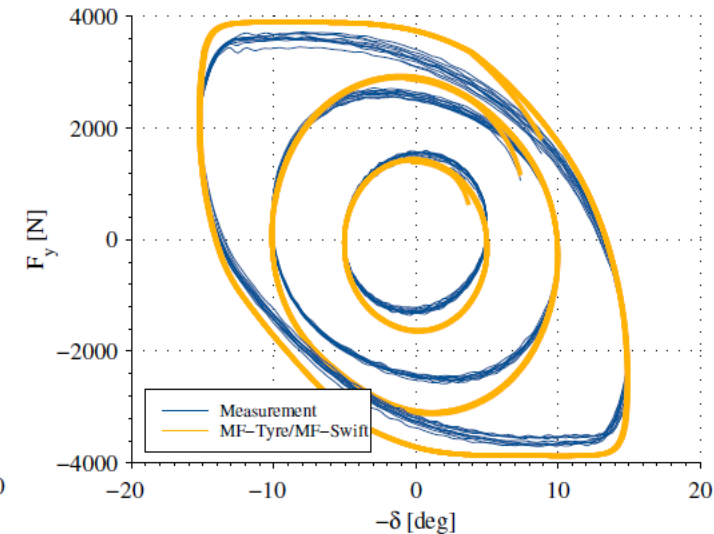
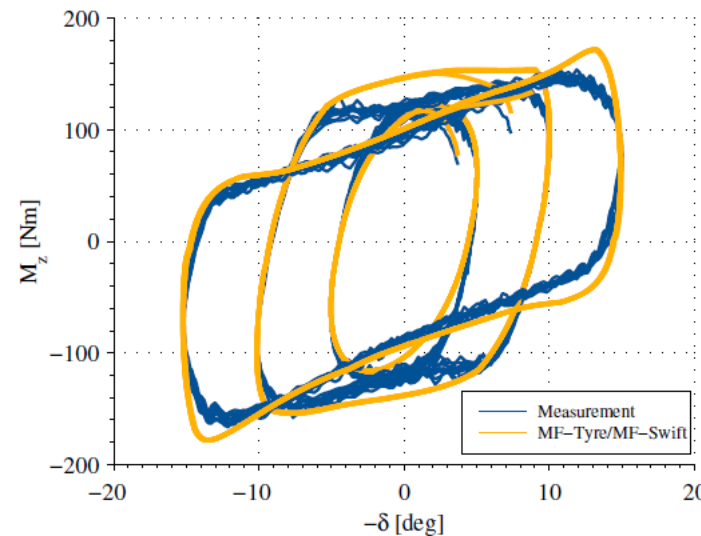
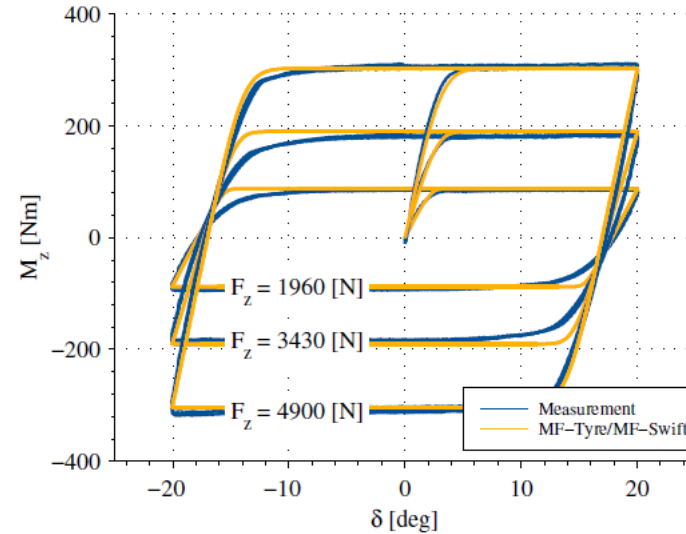
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Use case: Low speed maneuvering and parking

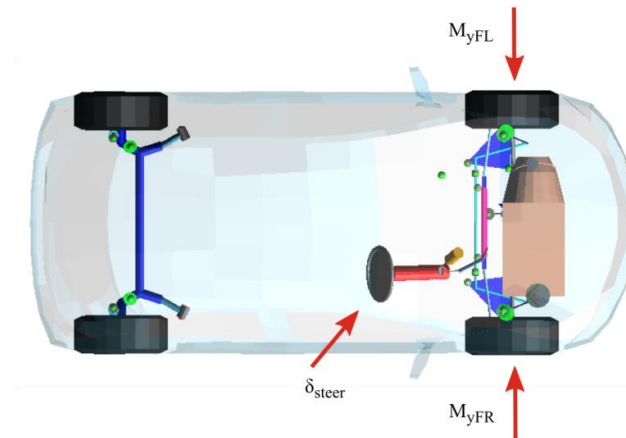
Tire testing and model parameterization

- Standstill testing protocol
 - $V = 0$ km/h (standstill)
 - 3 vertical loads
 - Camber angle 0°
 - Steering sweep:
 - Amplitude: 20 deg
 - Frequency: 0.125 Hz
- Low speed testing protocol
 - $V = 2$ km/h
 - 3 vertical loads
 - Camber angle 0°
 - Steering sweep:
 - Amplitude: 20 deg
 - Frequency: 1 Hz (or highest possible)



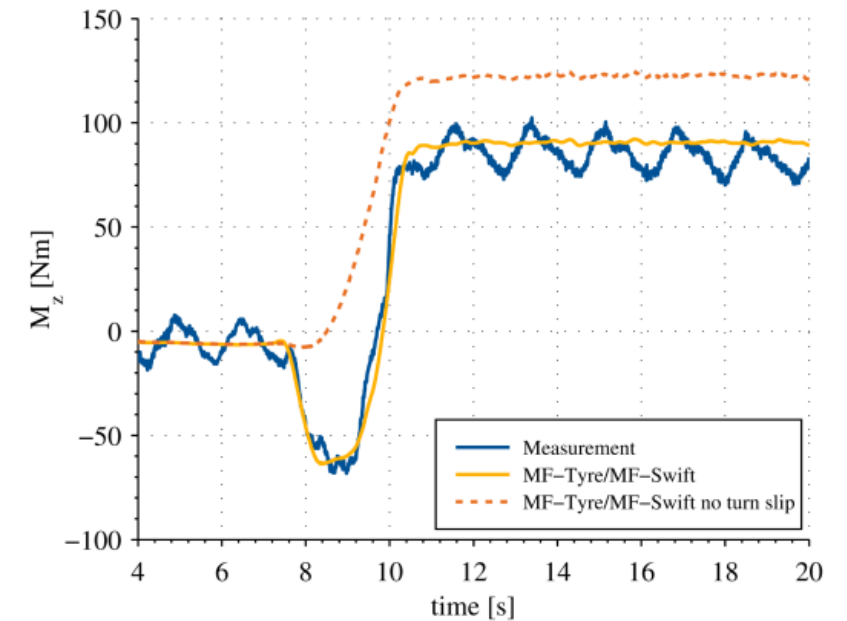
Use case: Low speed maneuvering and parking Validation

- Comparison of forces and moments between test vehicle and simulation model



- Inputs from the test vehicle are given to the simulation model:

$$M_{yFL}, M_{yFR}, \delta_{steer}$$



The turn slip model is essential for accurately simulating a parking manoeuvre

Practical use case



Extreme handling:

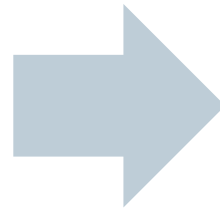
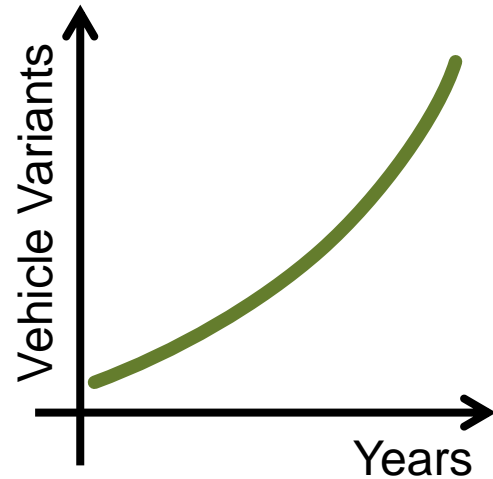
**Define optimal balance between
model accuracy level and number
of tire tests**

Use case: Combined Slip tire modelling

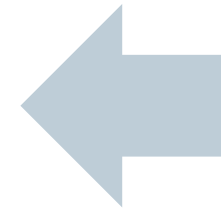
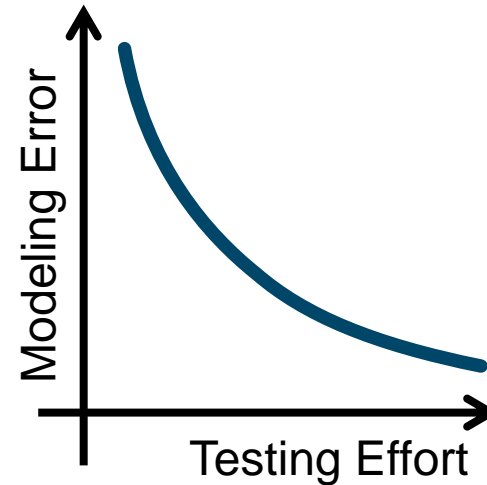
Finding effort vs accuracy balance



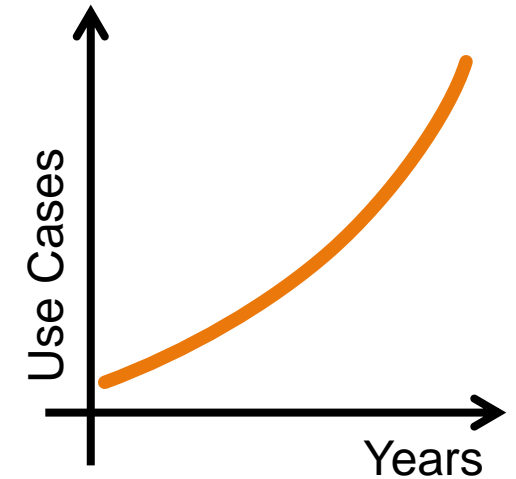
Significant increase of vehicle and tire variants



Tradeoff model accuracy and testing effort



Significant increase of use cases



Challenge: find optimal balance between model accuracy and testing effort for combined slip

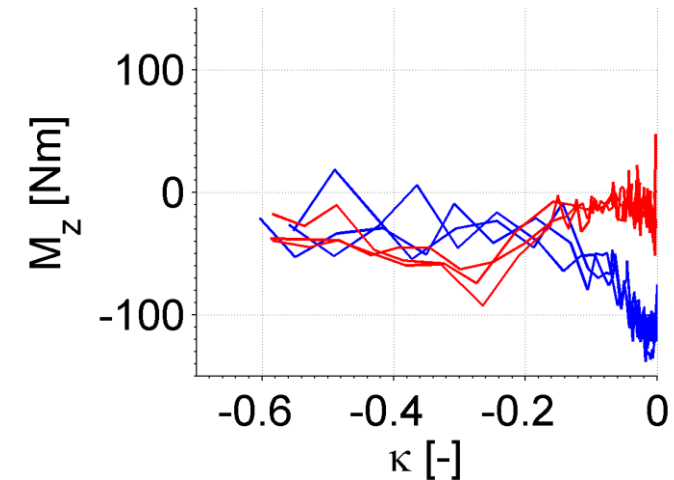
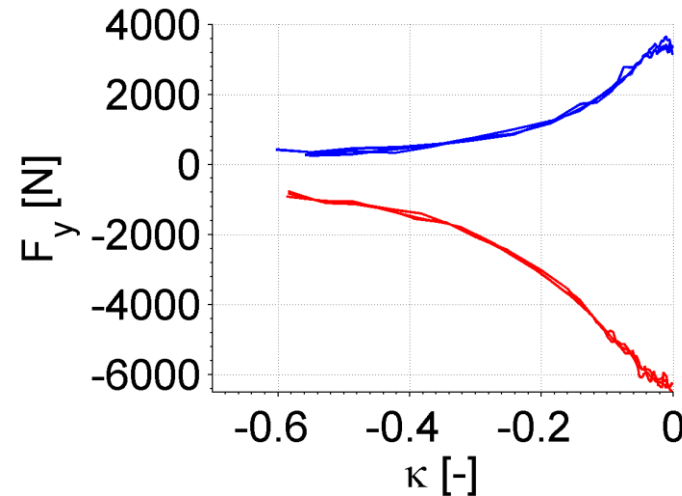
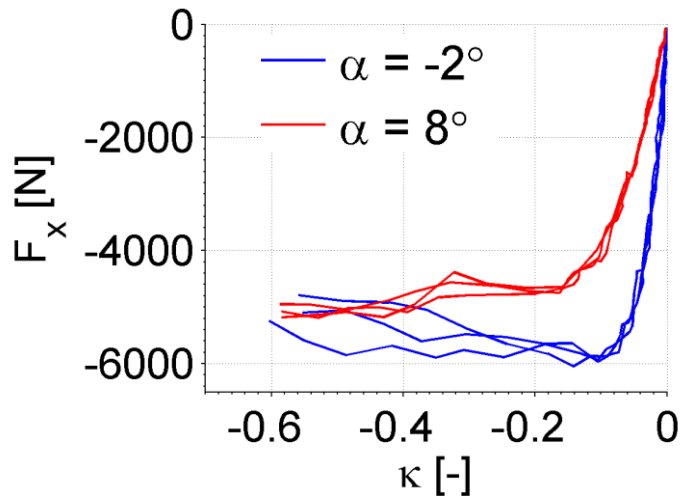
Use case: Combined Slip tire modelling

Research tire testing

- Six tire specifications in 15"-20" size range tested
- Three repetitions for testing condition to evaluate the measurement spread
- Standard deviation of the measurement spread averaged across the testing conditions and the tire specifications.



σ_{Fx}	σ_{Fy}	σ_{Mz}
2.5%	1.0%	13.0%

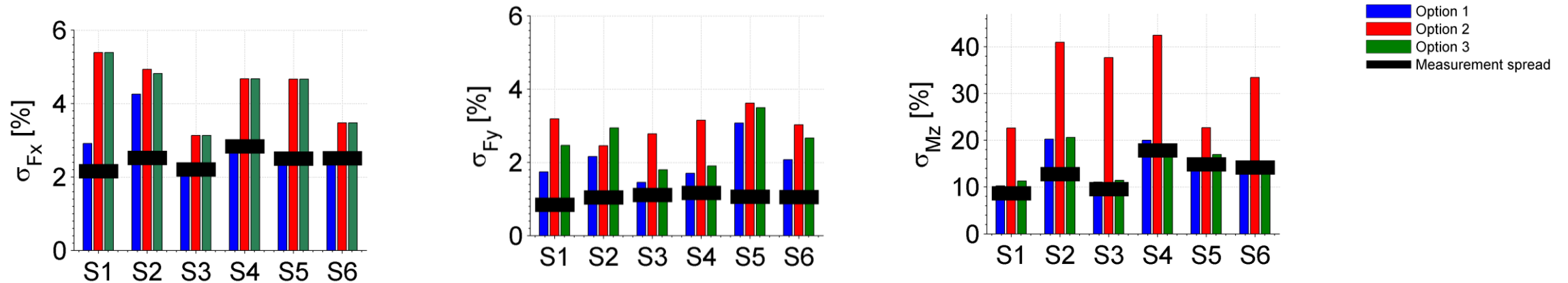


Use case: Combined Slip tire modelling

Balanced tire testing and parameterization methodology

Parameterization option	# testing conditions			Total
	Pure brake/drive	Pure cornering	Combined Slip	
1. Full CS	6 (3 Fz x 2 γ)	6 (3 Fz x 2 γ)	24 (3 Fz x 2 γ x 4 α)	36
2. Estimated CS	6 (3 Fz x 2 γ)	6 (3 Fz x 2 γ)	0	12
3. Partial CS	6 (3 Fz x 2 γ)	6 (3 Fz x 2 γ)	3 (3 Fz x 1 γ x 1 α)	15

- Deviation between model and measurement in comparison to measurement spread



Methodology allows to define optimal balance between modelling error and testing effort

Practical use case



Low-friction ESC controller tuning:

**Perform accurate tire model
parameterization for low-friction**

Use case: Electronic Stability Control at low mu

Development challenge

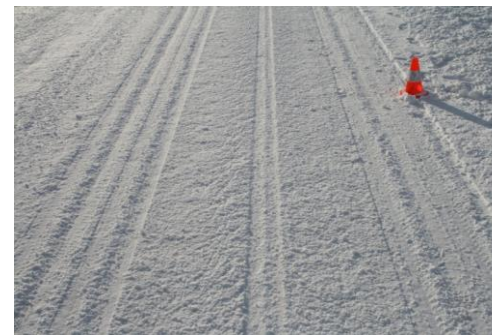
- Electronic Stability Control
 - Mandatory since 2014
 - Sine With Dwell
- Challenges of full vehicle ESC testing under winter conditions:
 - Cost intensive
 - Only possible in limited time window
 - Large variation of operating conditions
- Digitalization requires tire model parameterization on different roads surface, e.g.:



<https://www.euroncap.com/en/vehicle-safety/the-ratings-explained/safety-assist/esc/>



Polished Ice



Snow

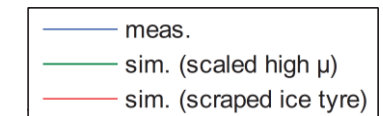
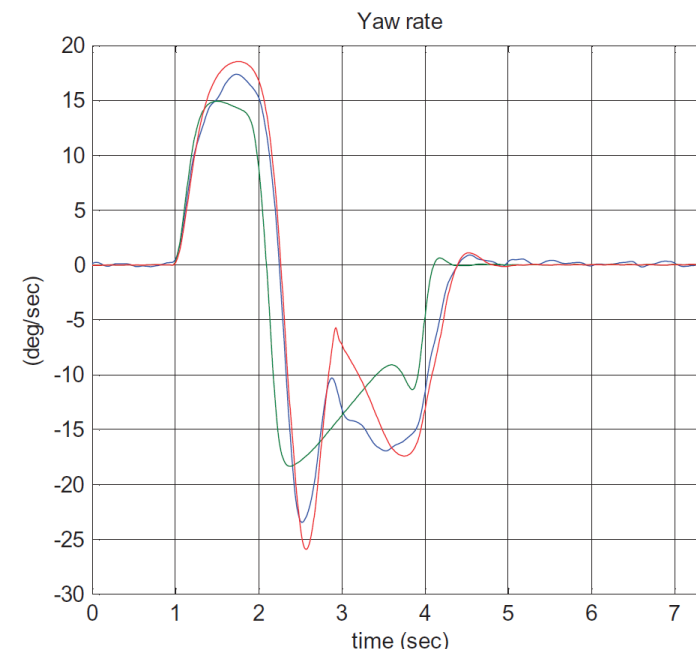
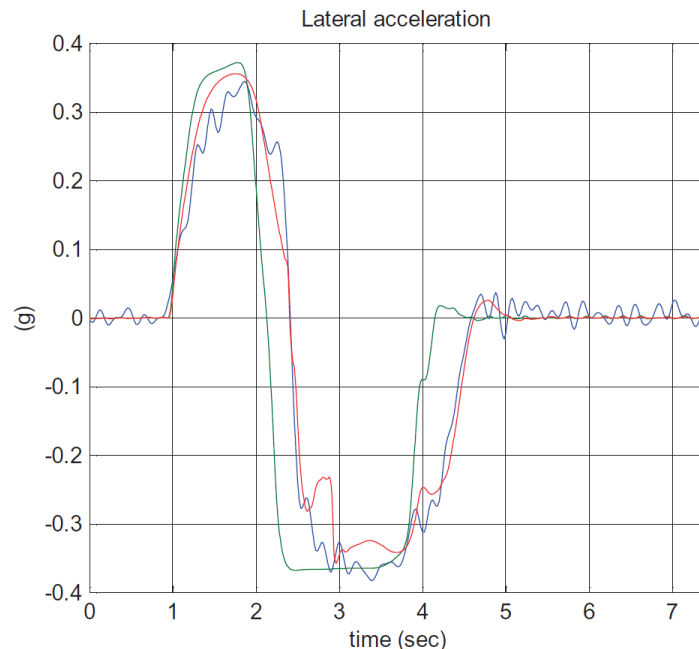


Scraped Ice
Siemens Digital Industry Software

Use case: Electronic Stability Control at low μ

Tire testing and validation

- Low μ tire modelling methodologies:
 - Traditional friction scaling of a high μ tire model
 - Low μ tire testing and model parameterization
- Validation study: vehicle and tire testing at same day, location and road surface
- Sine With Dwell maneuver results:



Reference: 4th International Tyre Colloquium: "From tyre measurements on low μ surface to full vehicle ESC simulations under winter conditions", Wiesalla, Mao, Esser

Use case: Electronic Stability Control at low μ

Tire model scaling

- Environmental conditions have large influence on road conditions and hence on tire performance
- Customized tire model scaling tools:
 - Based on physical relationships
 - Including spreading

Modeling low μ tire behavior for of ESC provides:

- Year-round virtual testing possibilities
- Proof of robustness under all conditions
- Reduction of costs

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Input *.tir file

Destination

Scale to:

Scraped ice

Polished ice

Snow

Tire type:

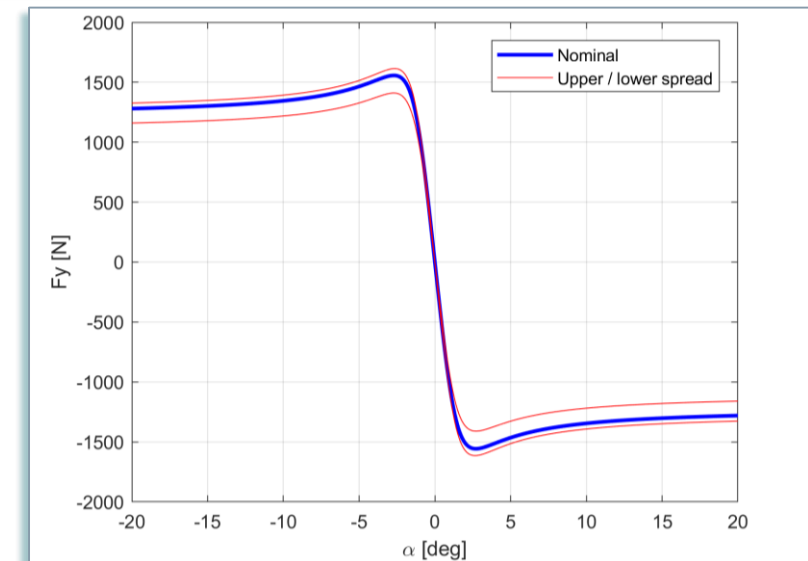
Summer

Winter

All season

Range in spread: ▼

Generate graphs: Off



Alternative solution



Tire Model Marketplace

Tire Model Marketplace

- 77 directly available tire model parameter sets
- Slip characteristics based on on-road testing, divided in 3 categories



Alternative to tire testing services with unmatched price/quality ratio

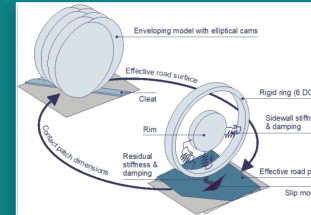
	Surface	Magic Formula	Turnslip	Rigid Ring	Enveloping
MF-Tyre + turnslip	Dry asphalt	Measured	Measured	Estimated	Estimated
MF-Tyre low mu	Snow/ice	Measured	-	-	-
MF-Swift estimated	Dry asphalt	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated

Summarizing

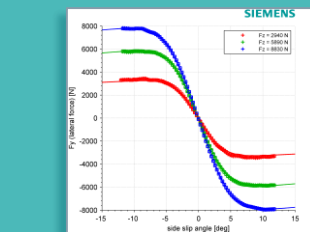
Tire testing



Tire model theory



Integral tire modeling approach to reach the highest accuracy and efficiency



Tire model parameterization

Tire model application

