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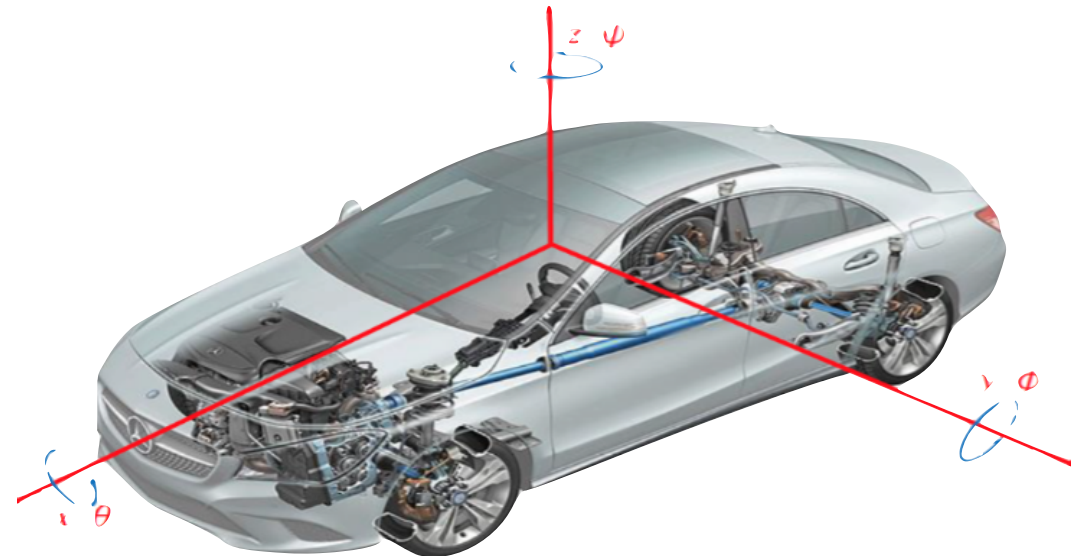
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Research's Framework

- Master Project: *UFSC & ENSE³*
- *PERSYVAL* **LPV4FTC** Project
- Internship at ***gipsa-lab***
- *Goal:* Development of Linear Parameter Varying Approaches as
Advanced Control Techniques for Vehicle Suspension Systems

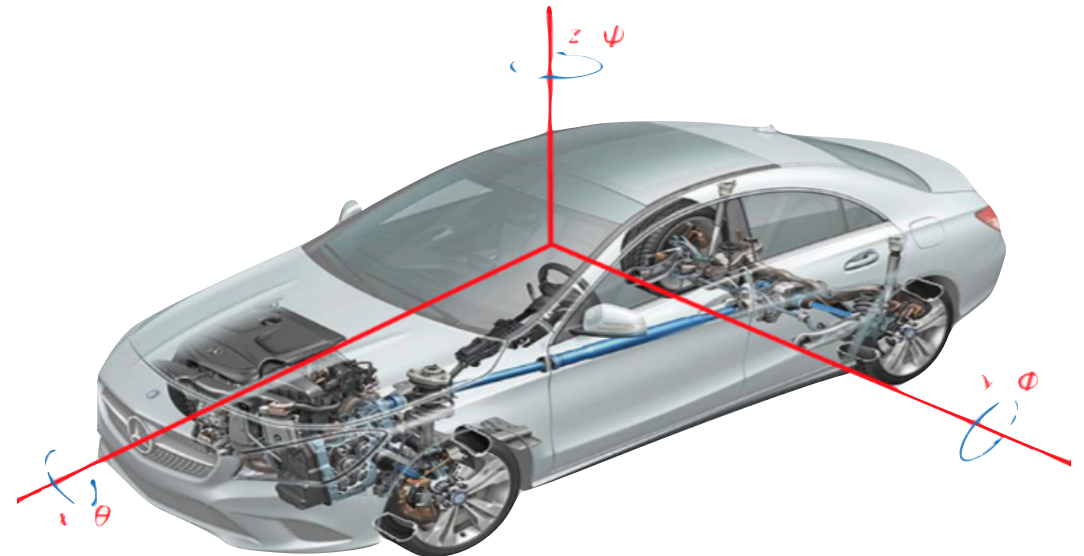
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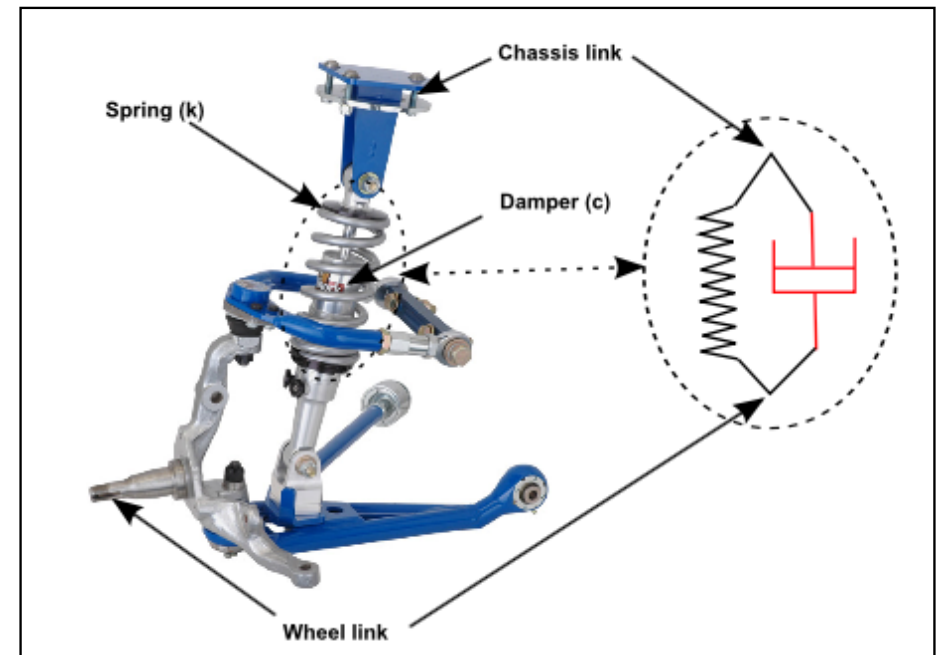
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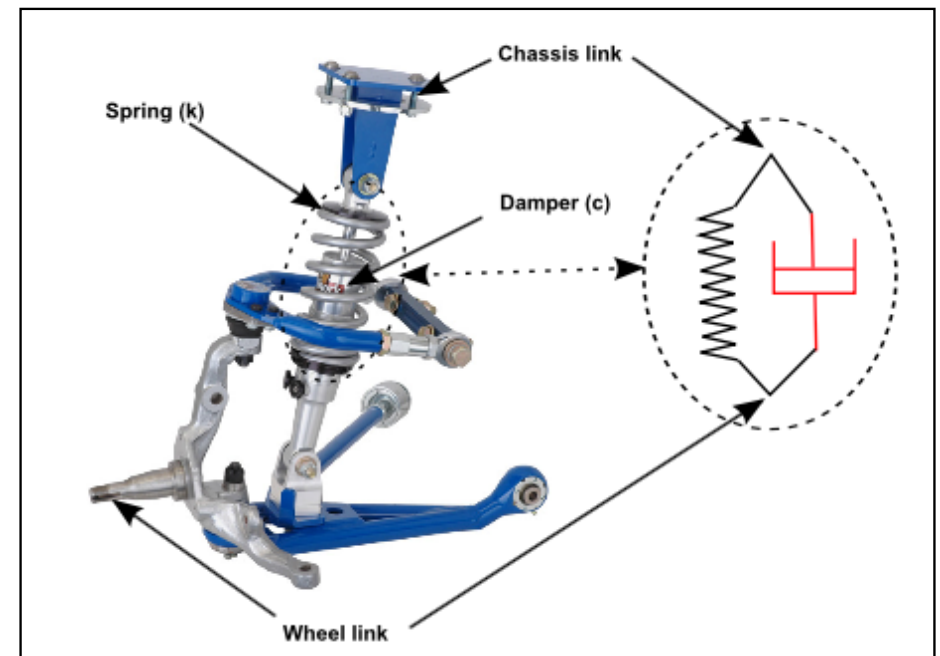
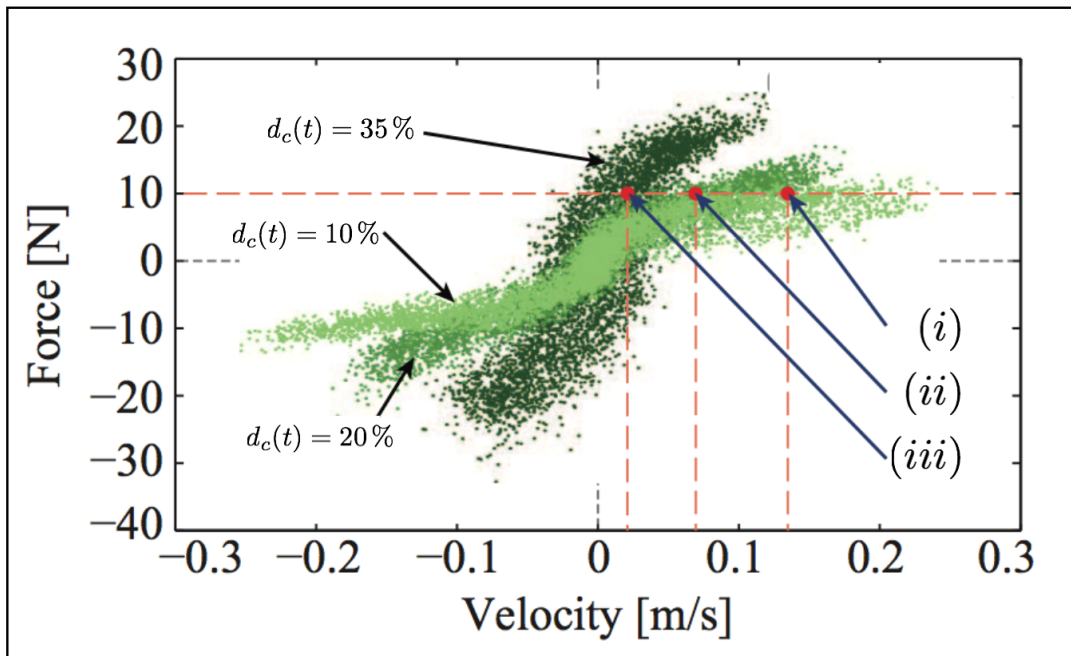
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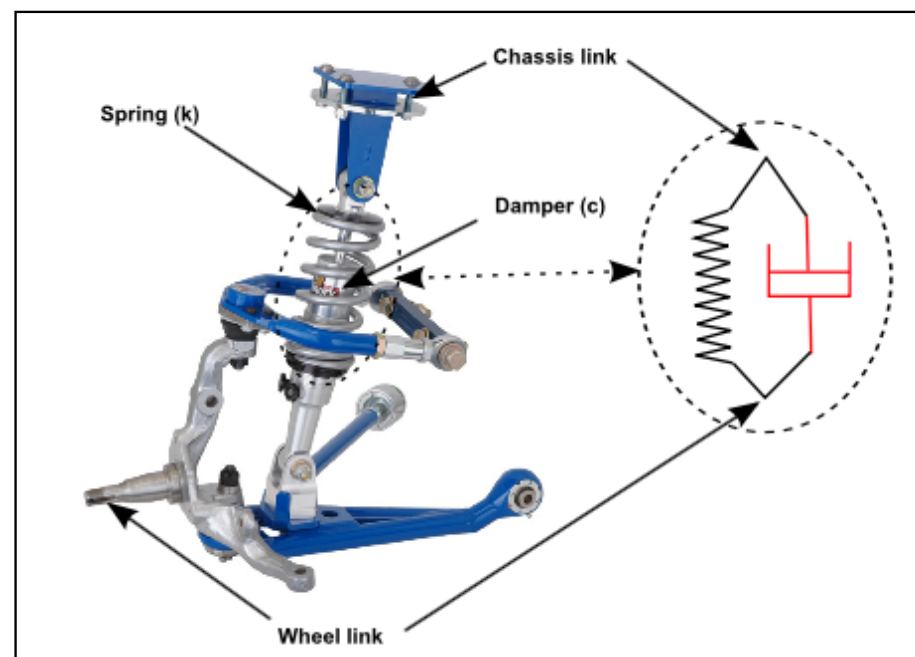
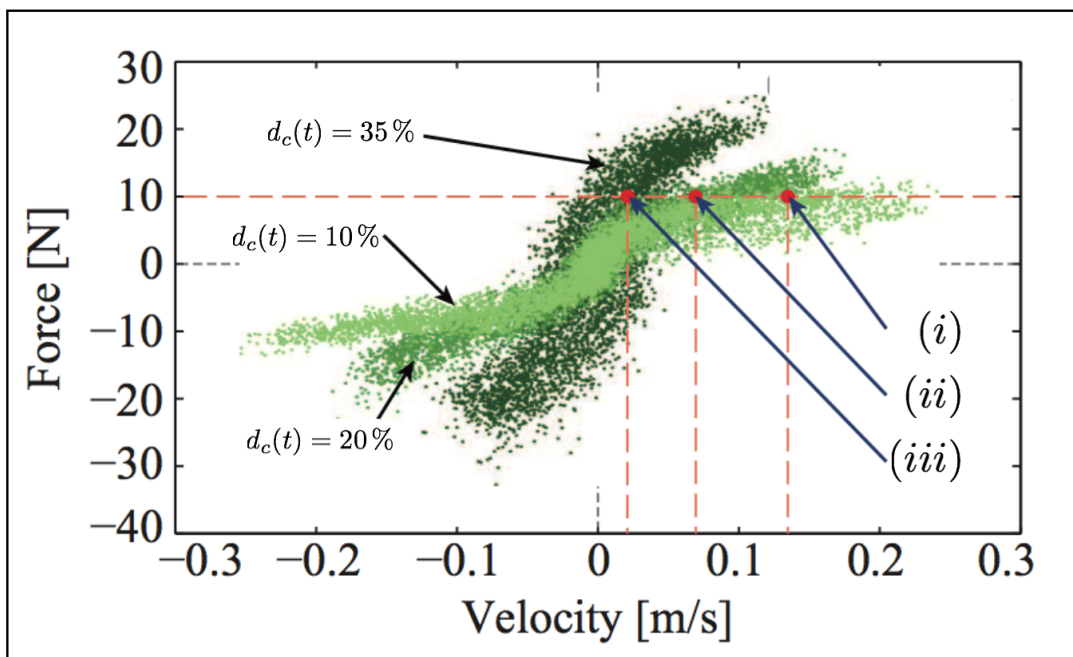
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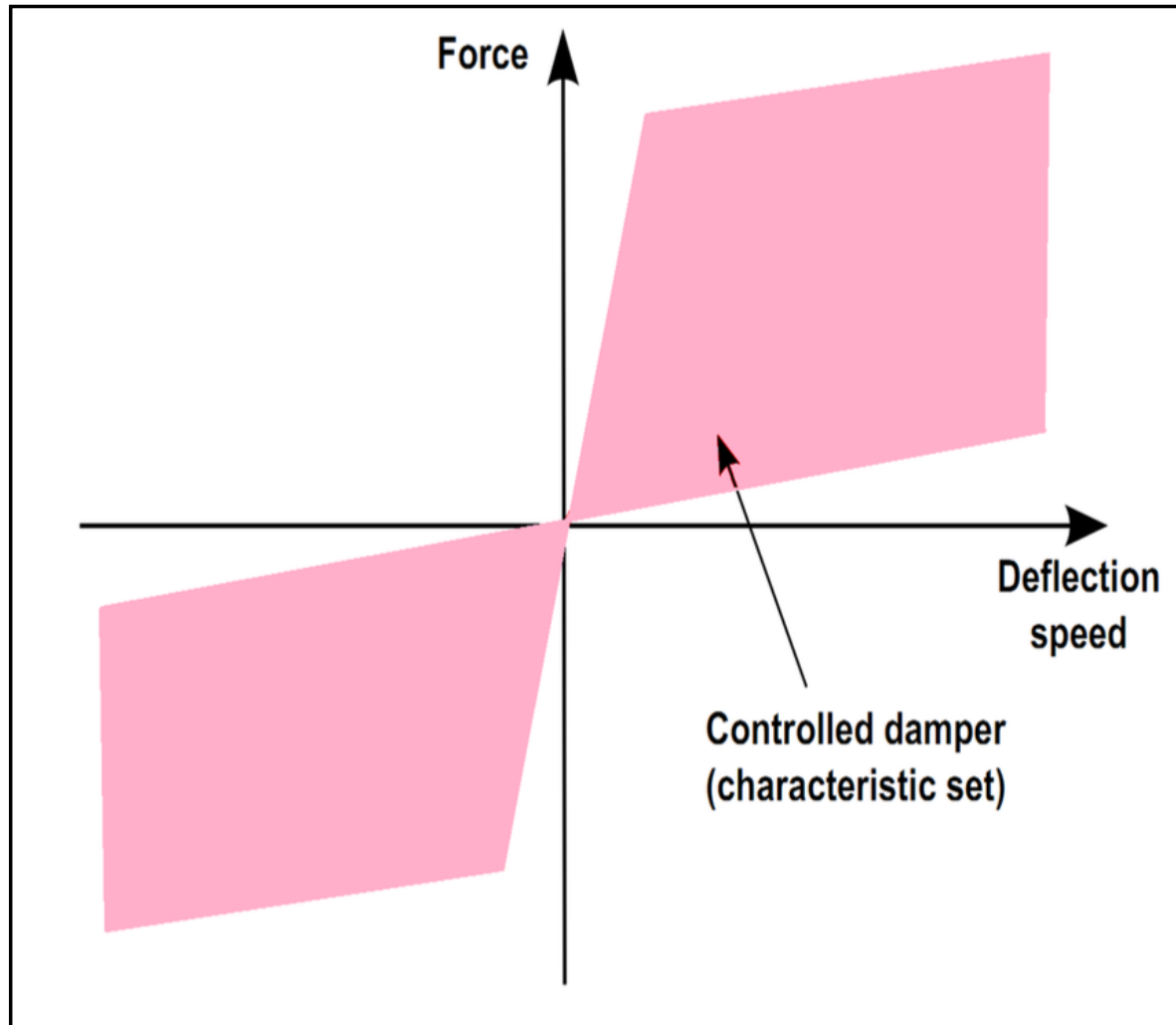
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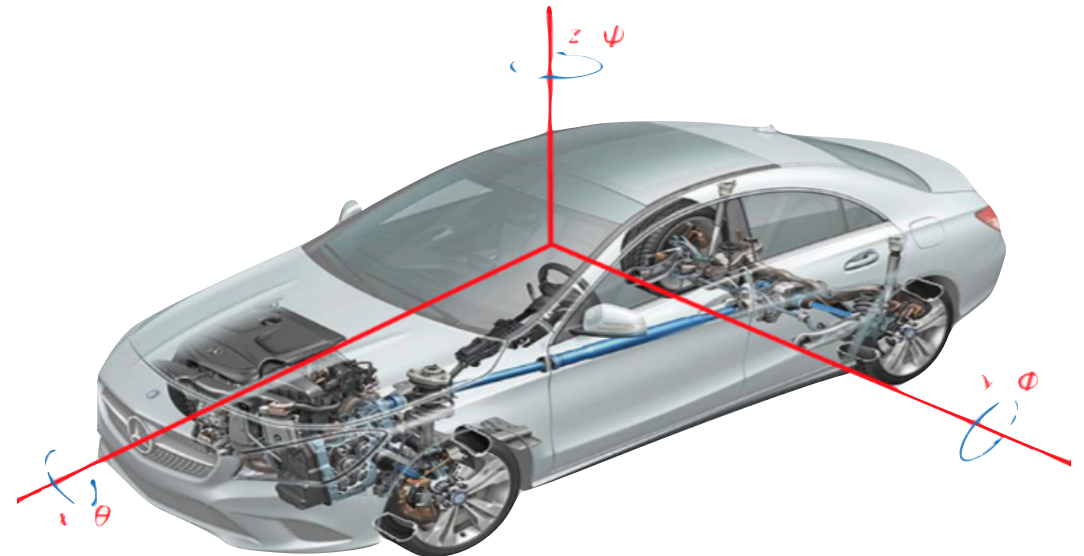


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Not-So-Rich Literature:

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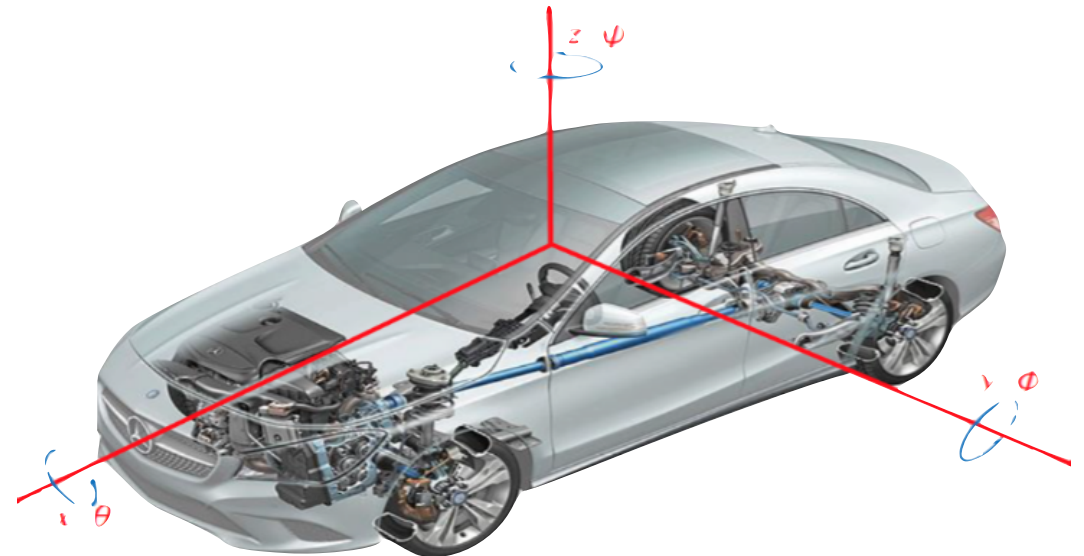
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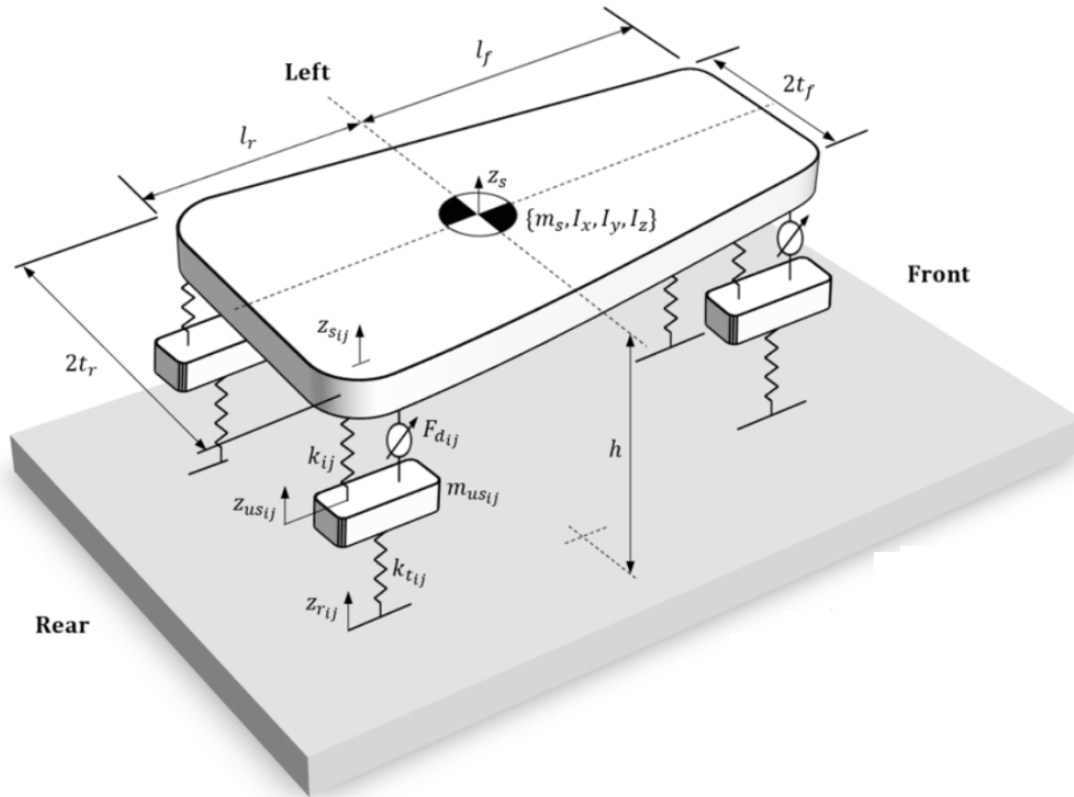
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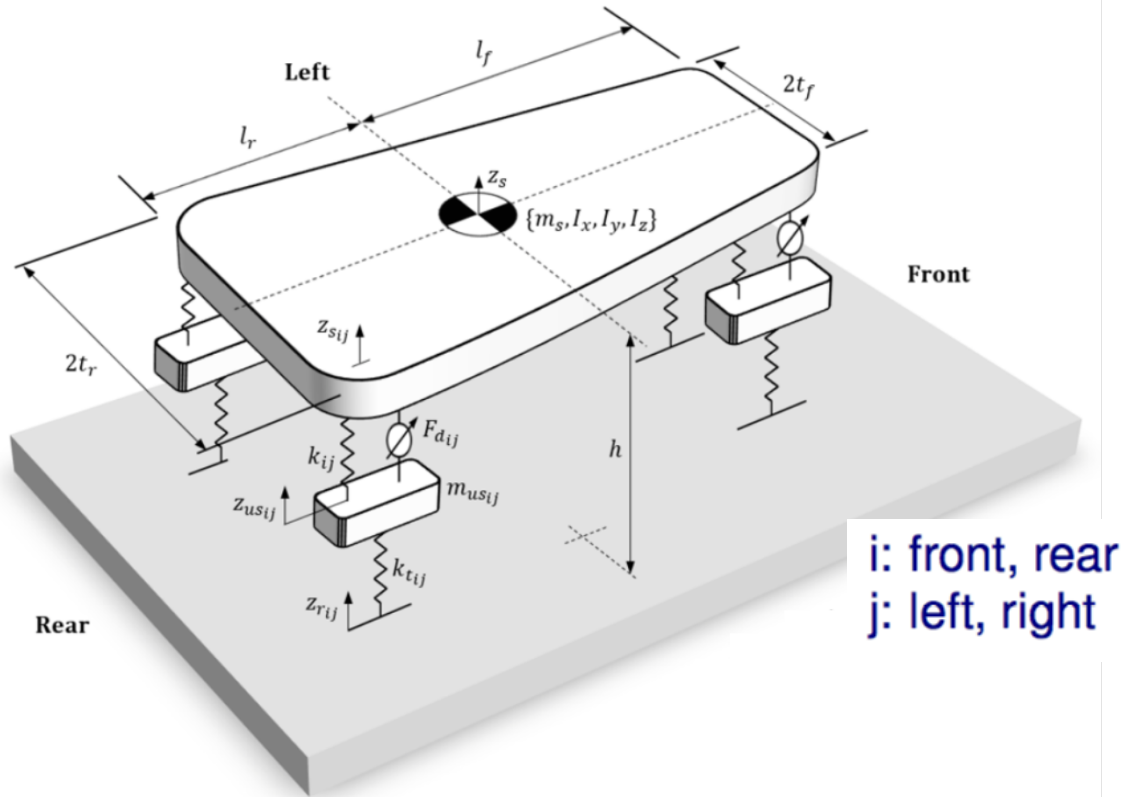
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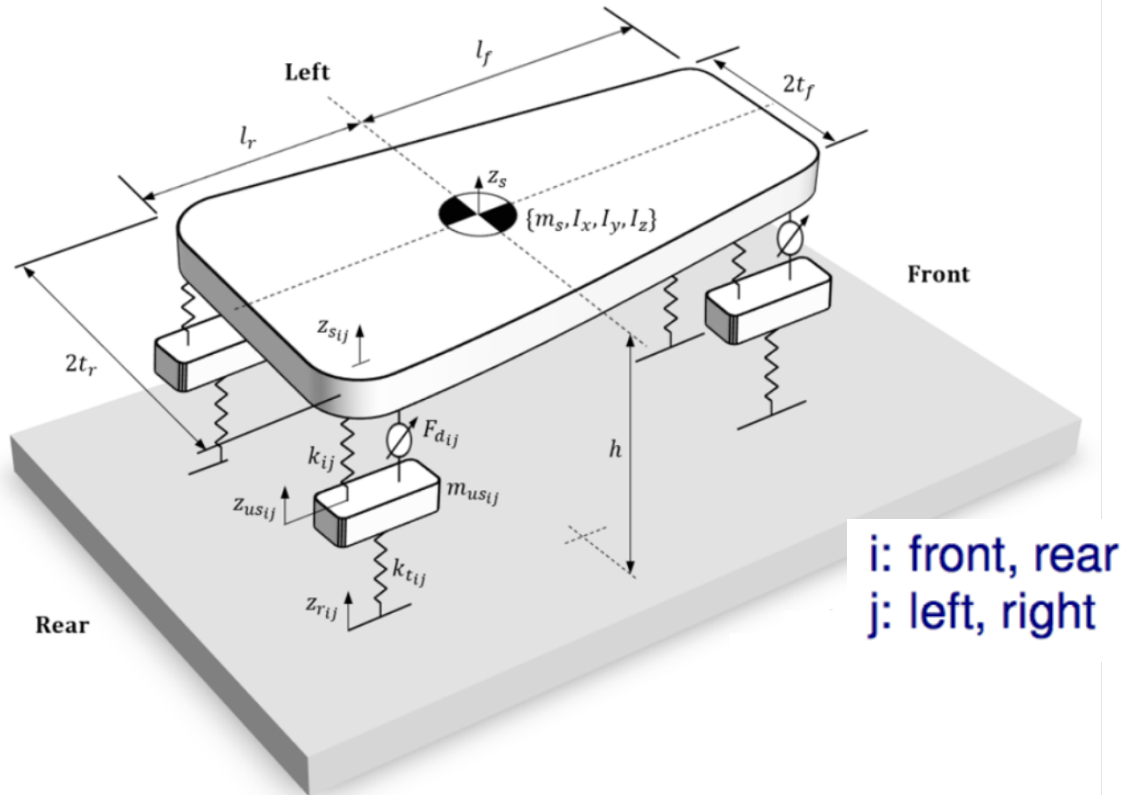
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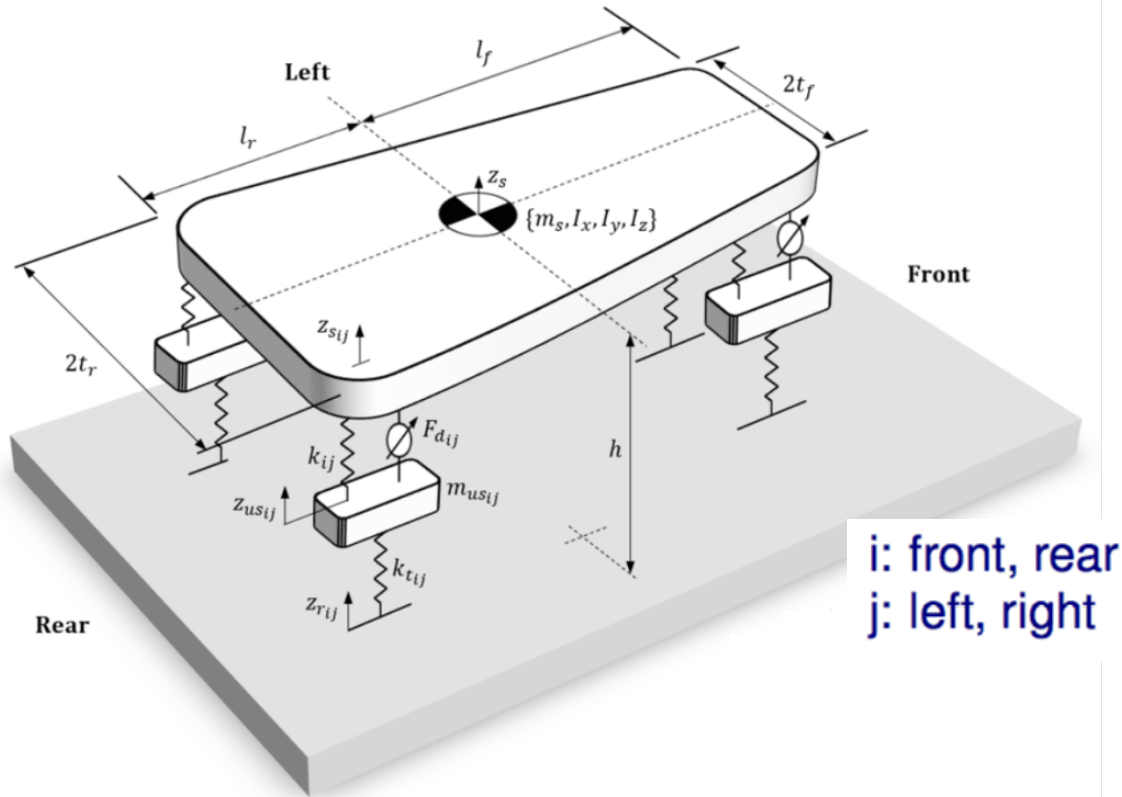
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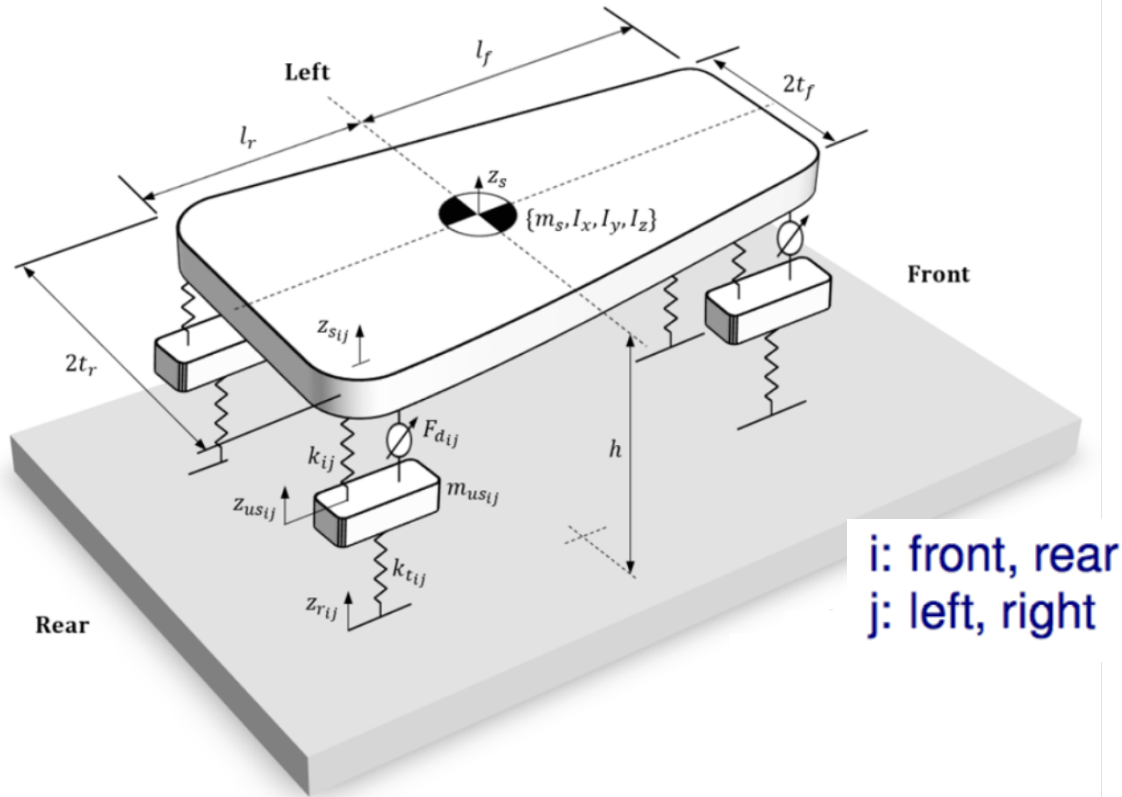
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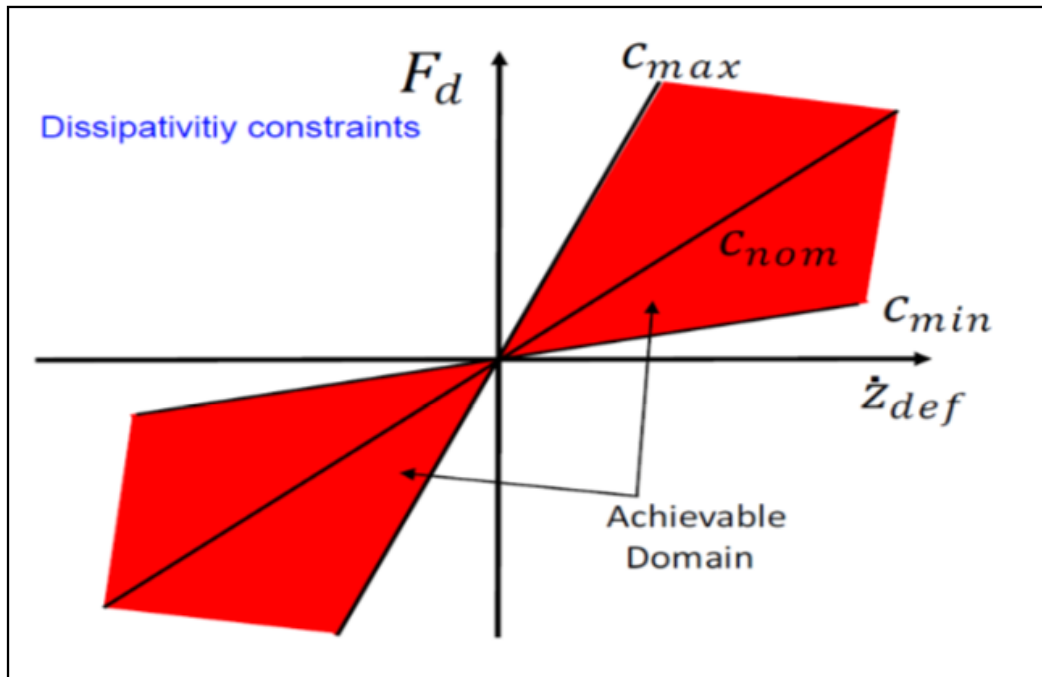
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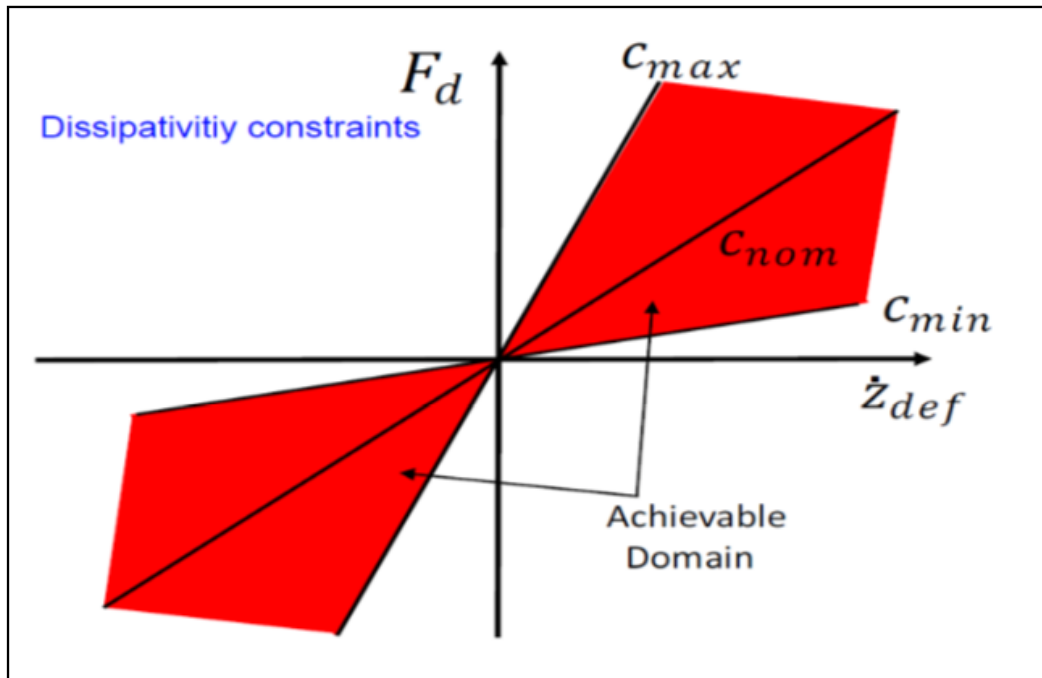
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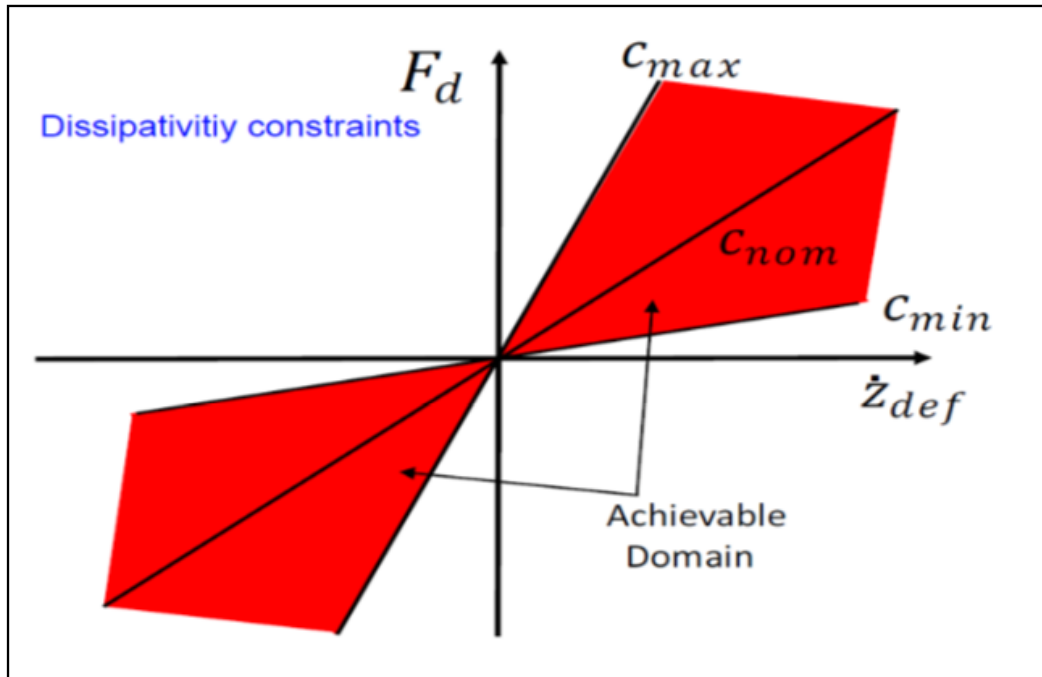


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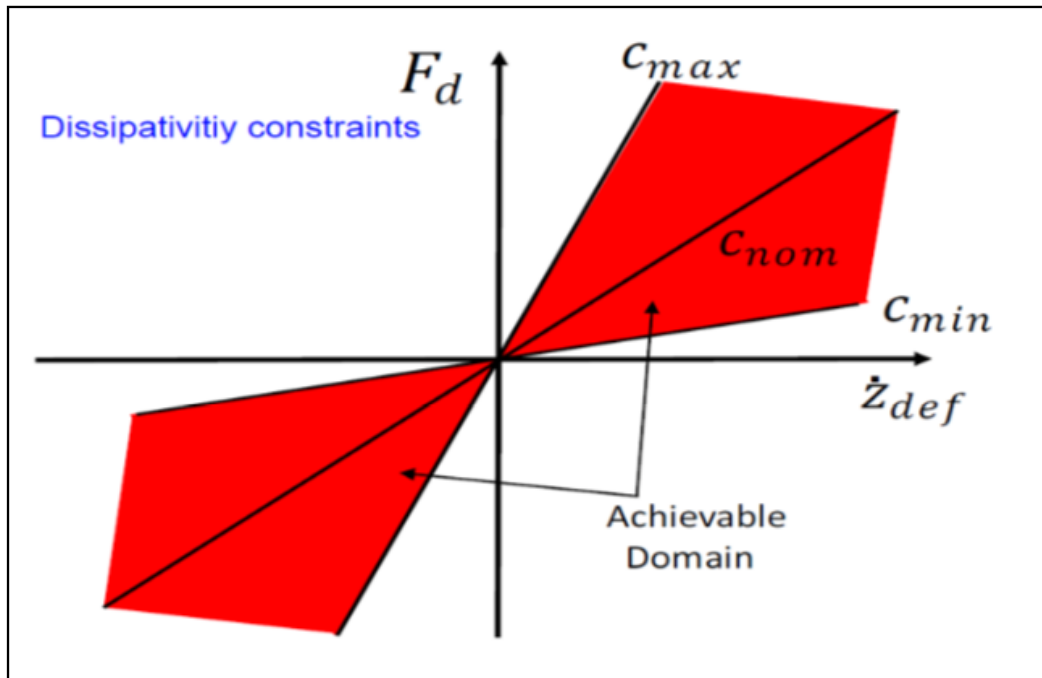
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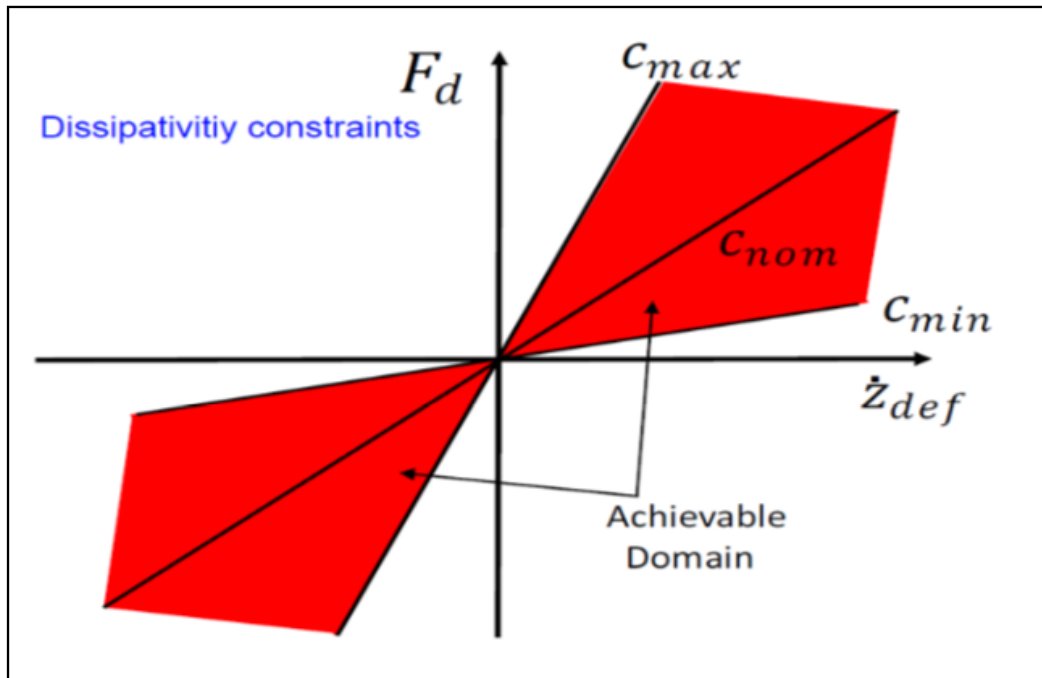
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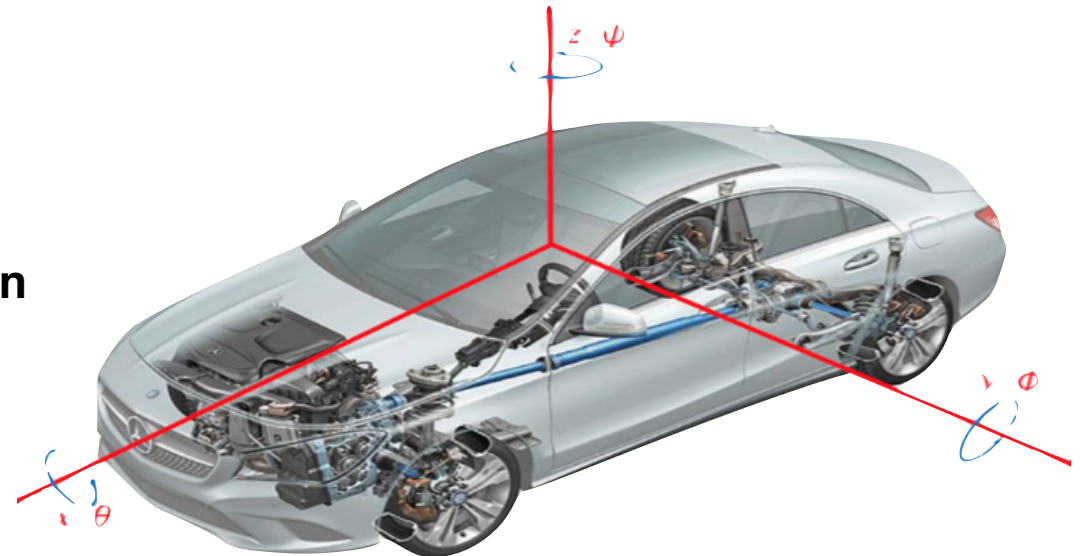
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H₂ Norm → Impulse to Energy Gain!
Noise → Estimation Error

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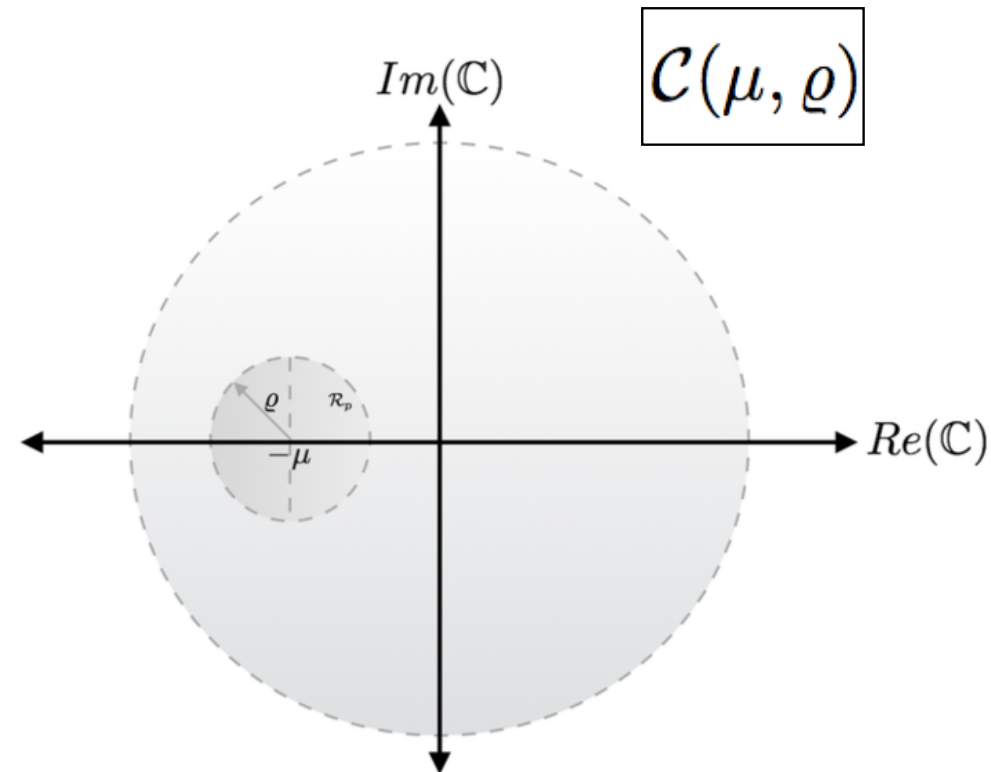
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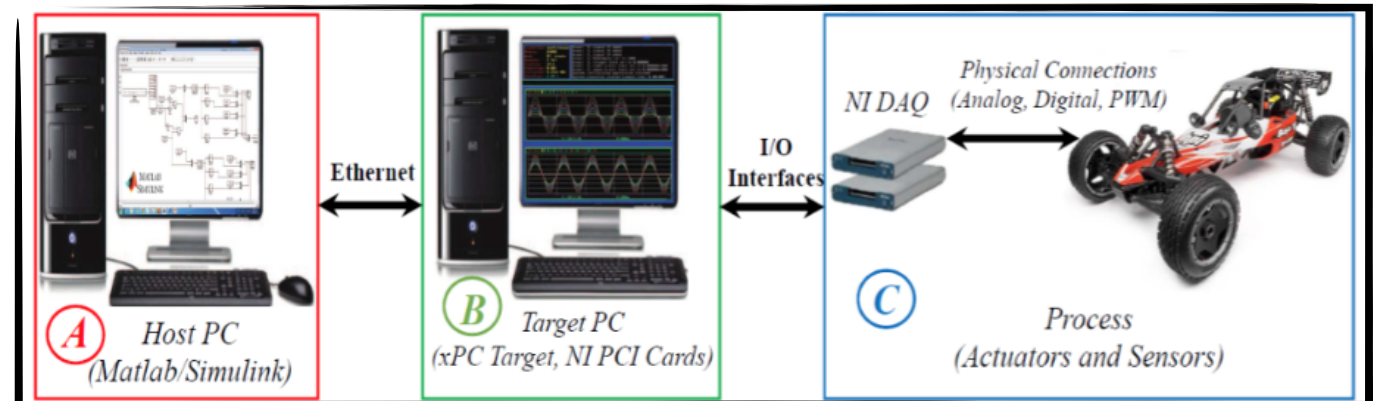
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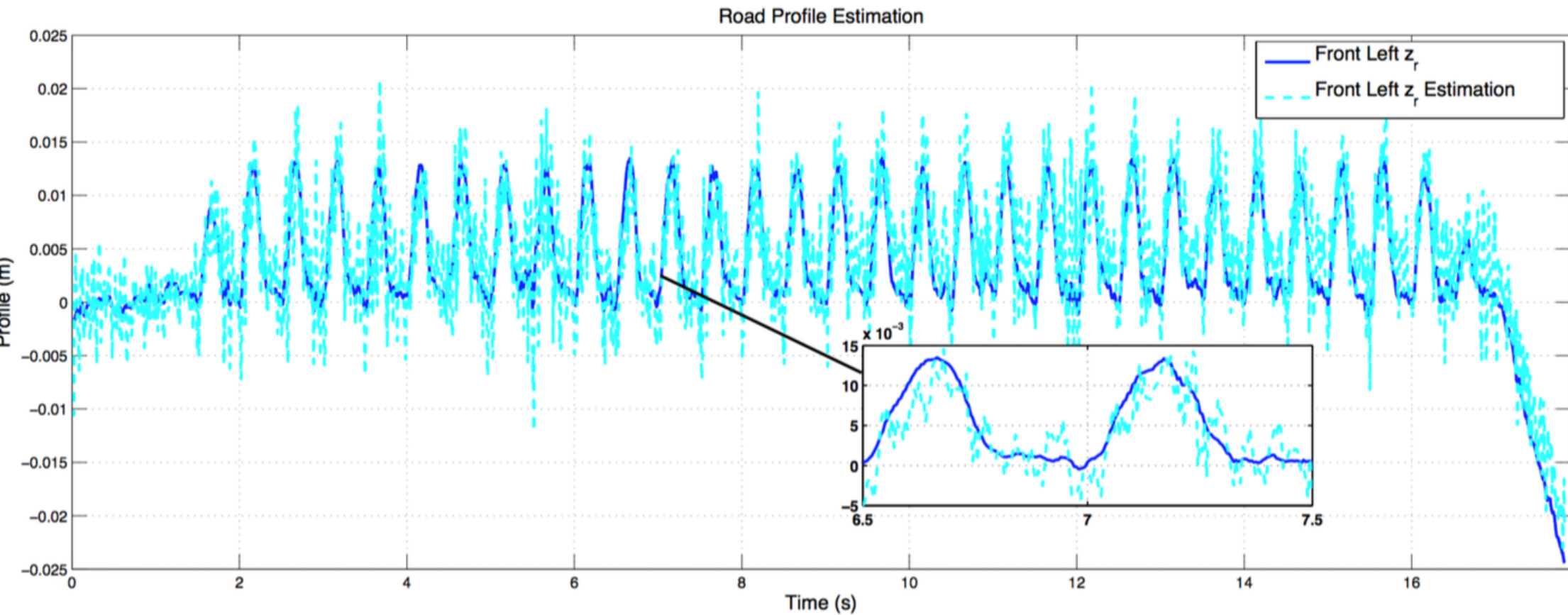
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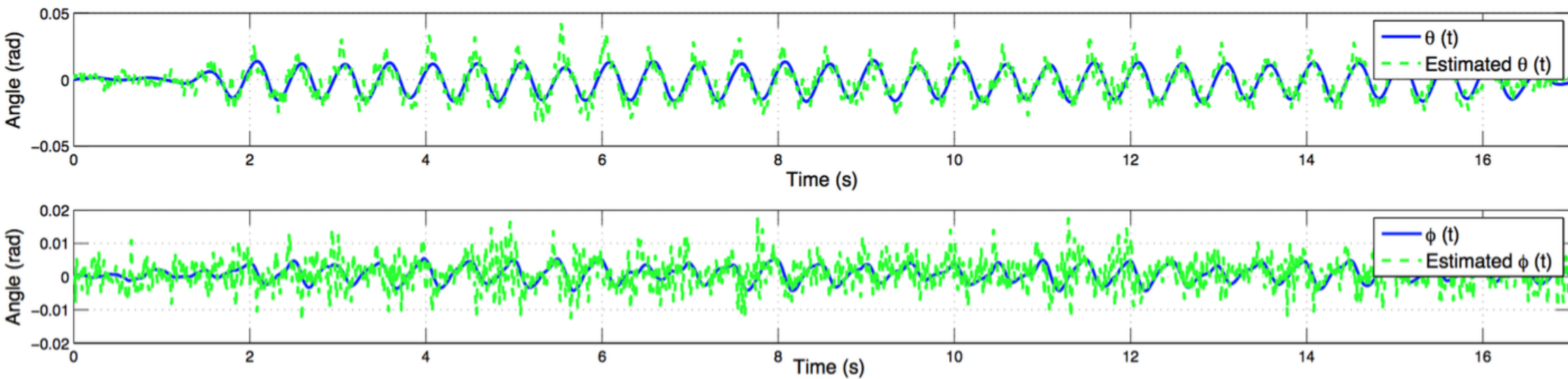
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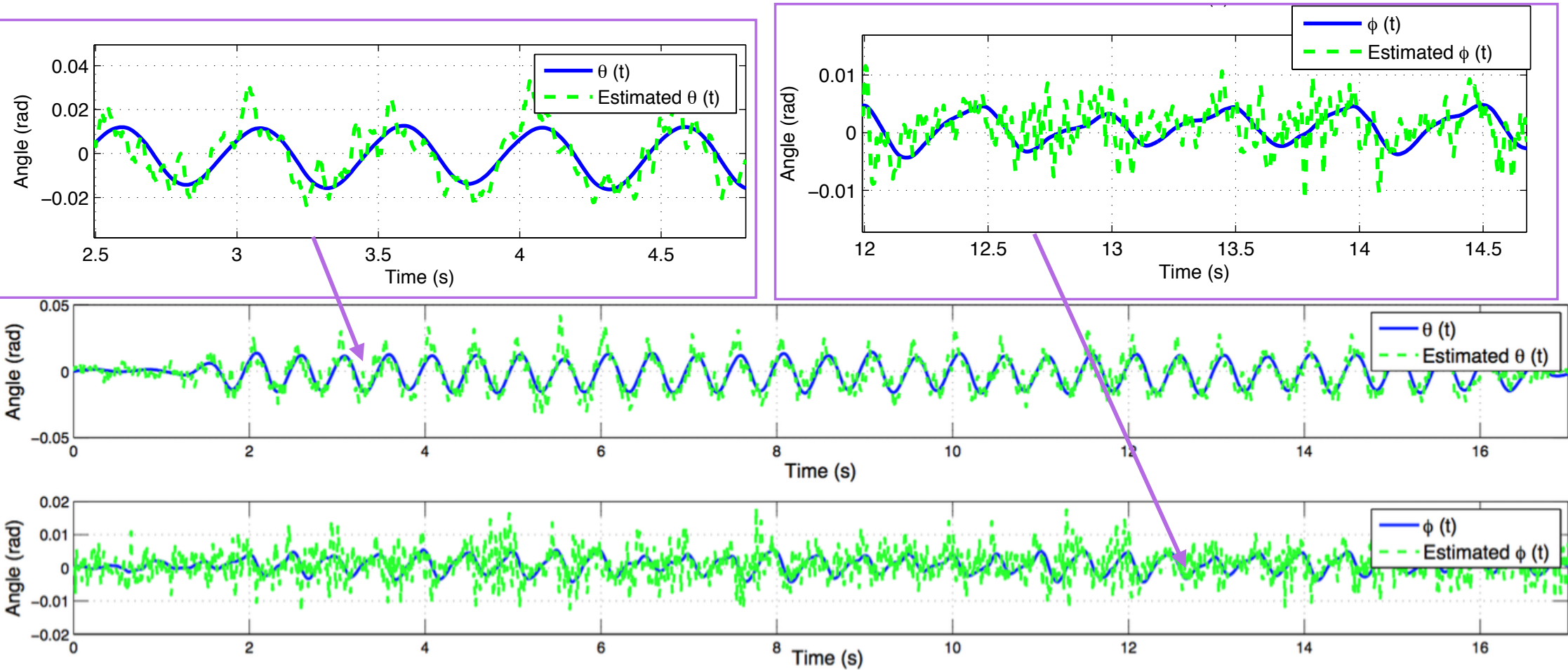
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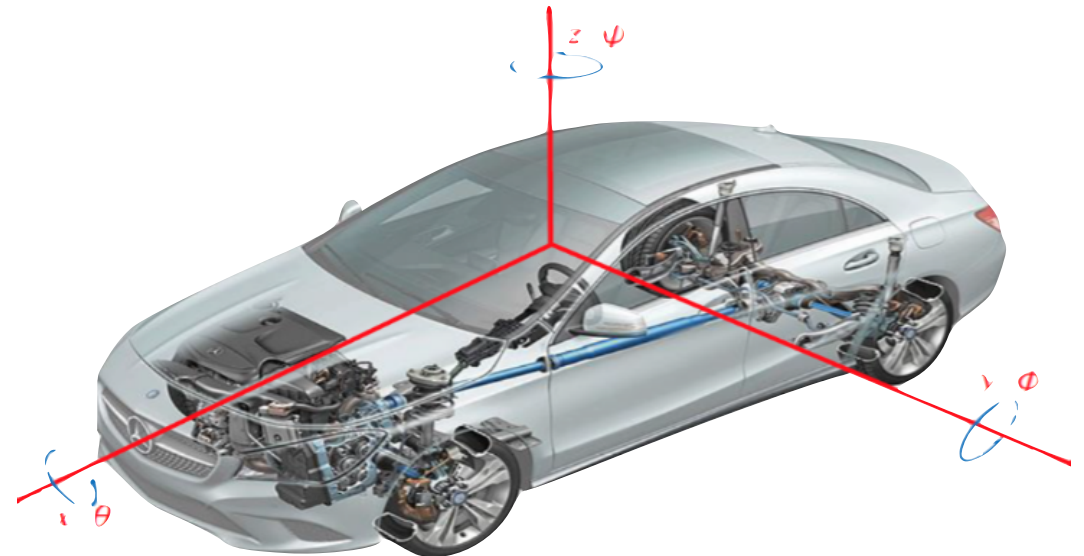
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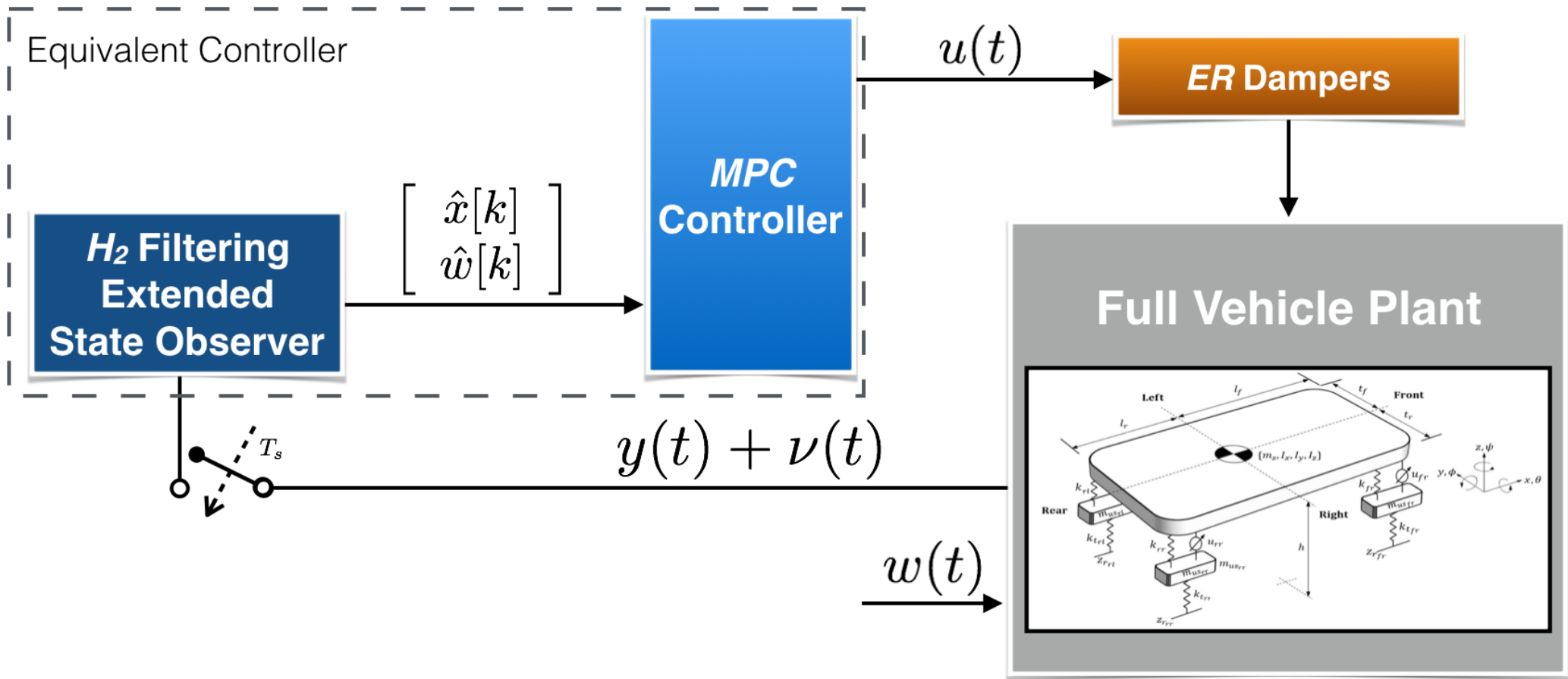


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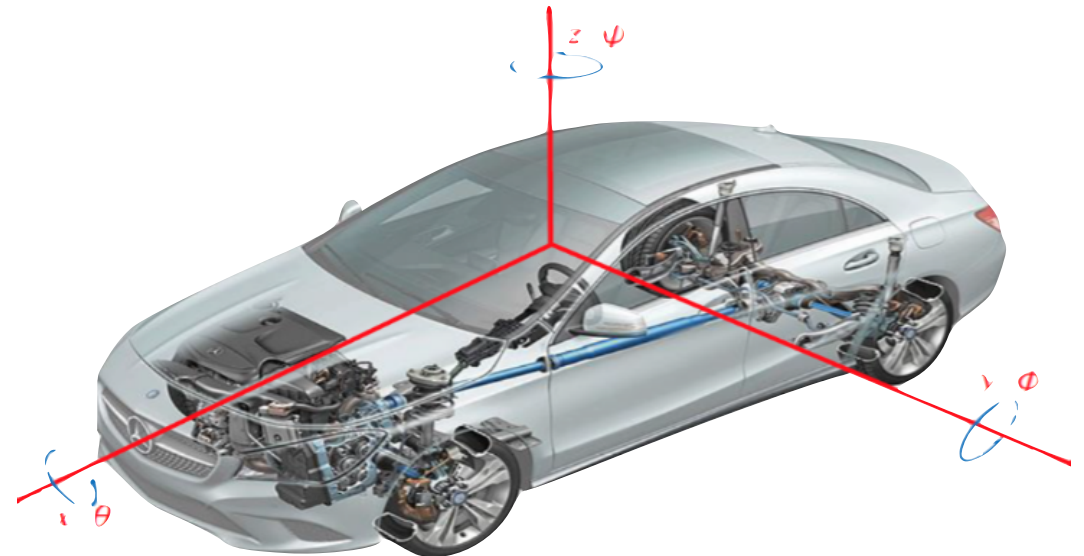
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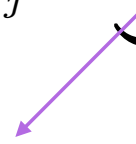
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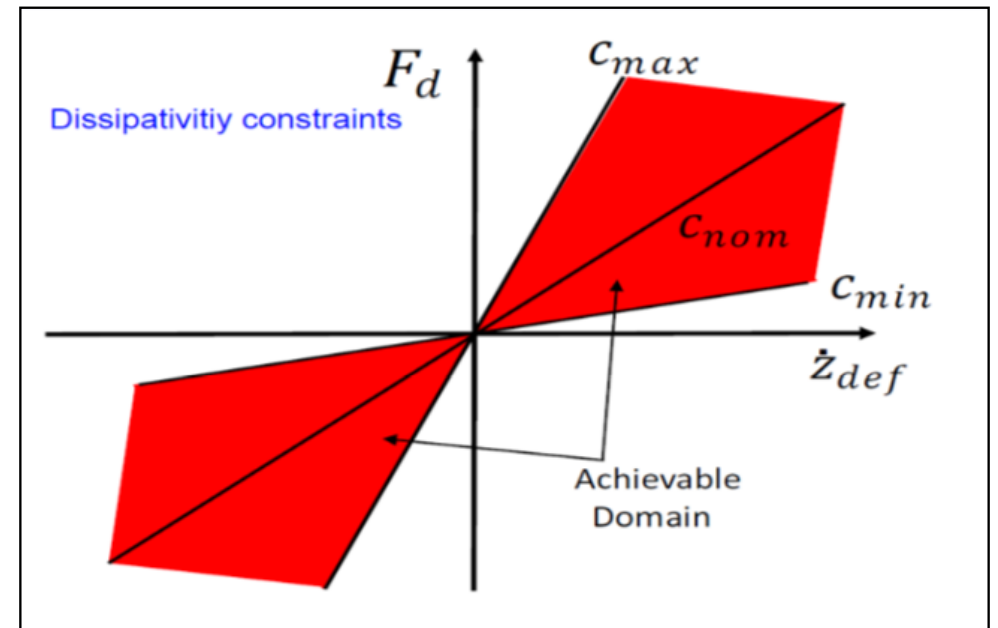
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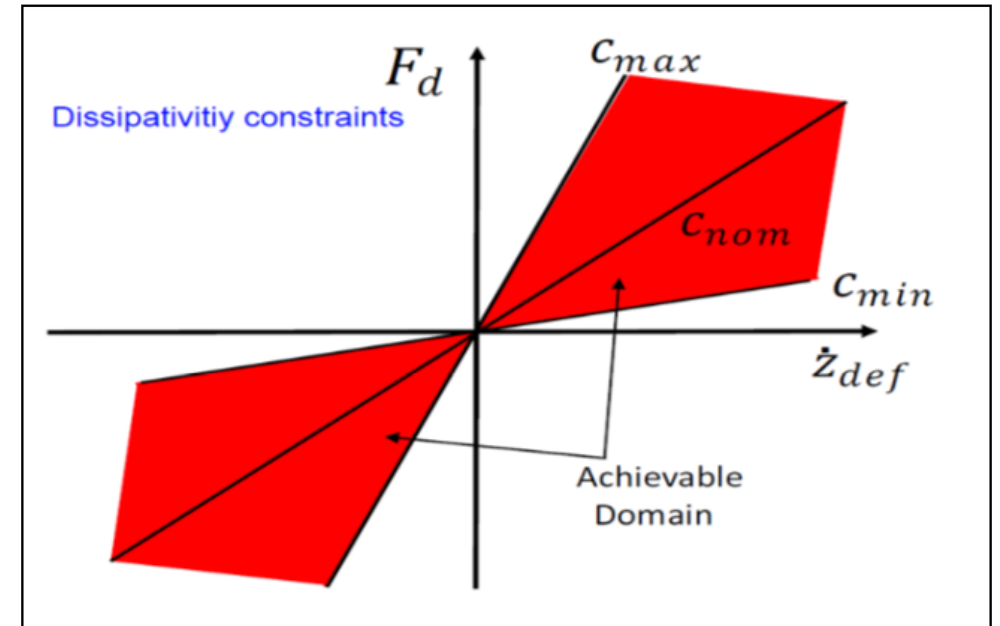
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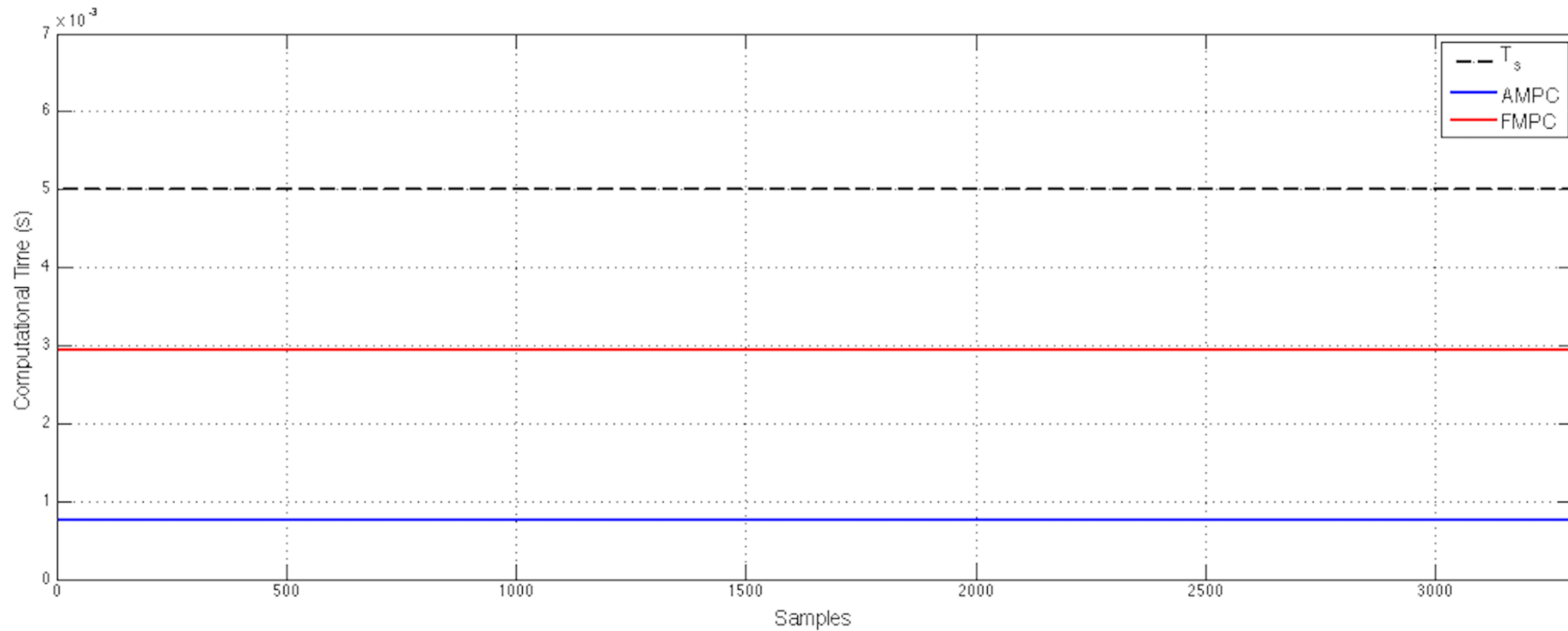
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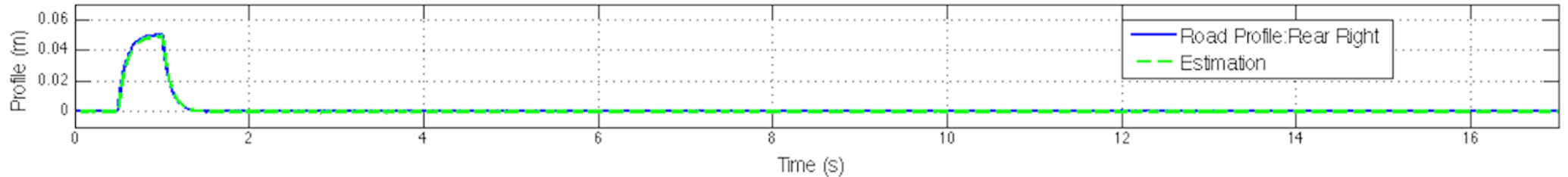
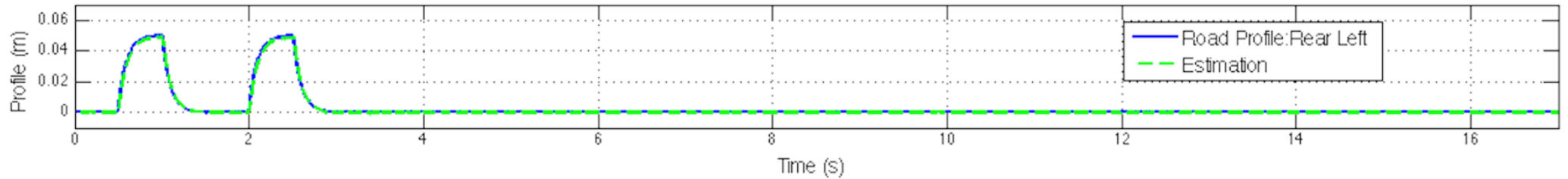
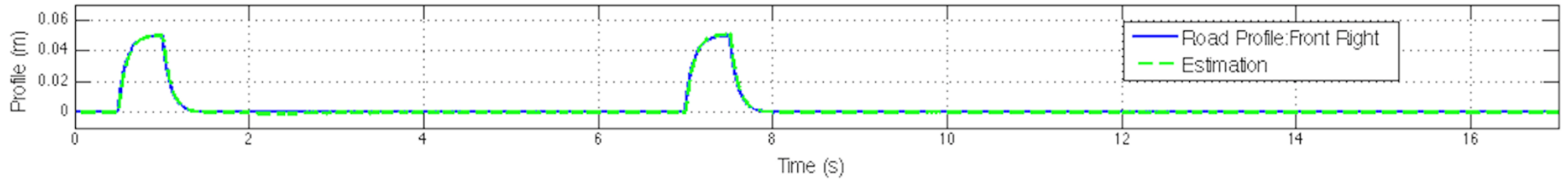
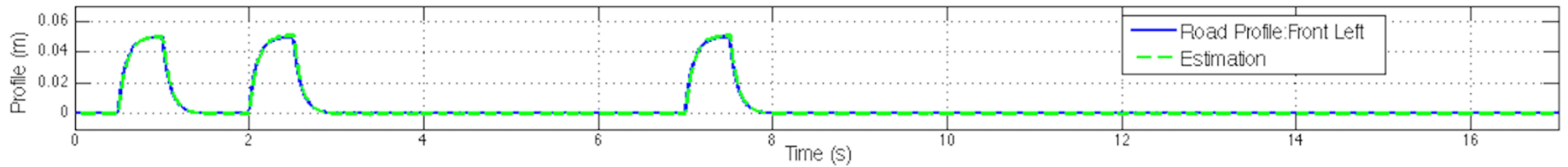
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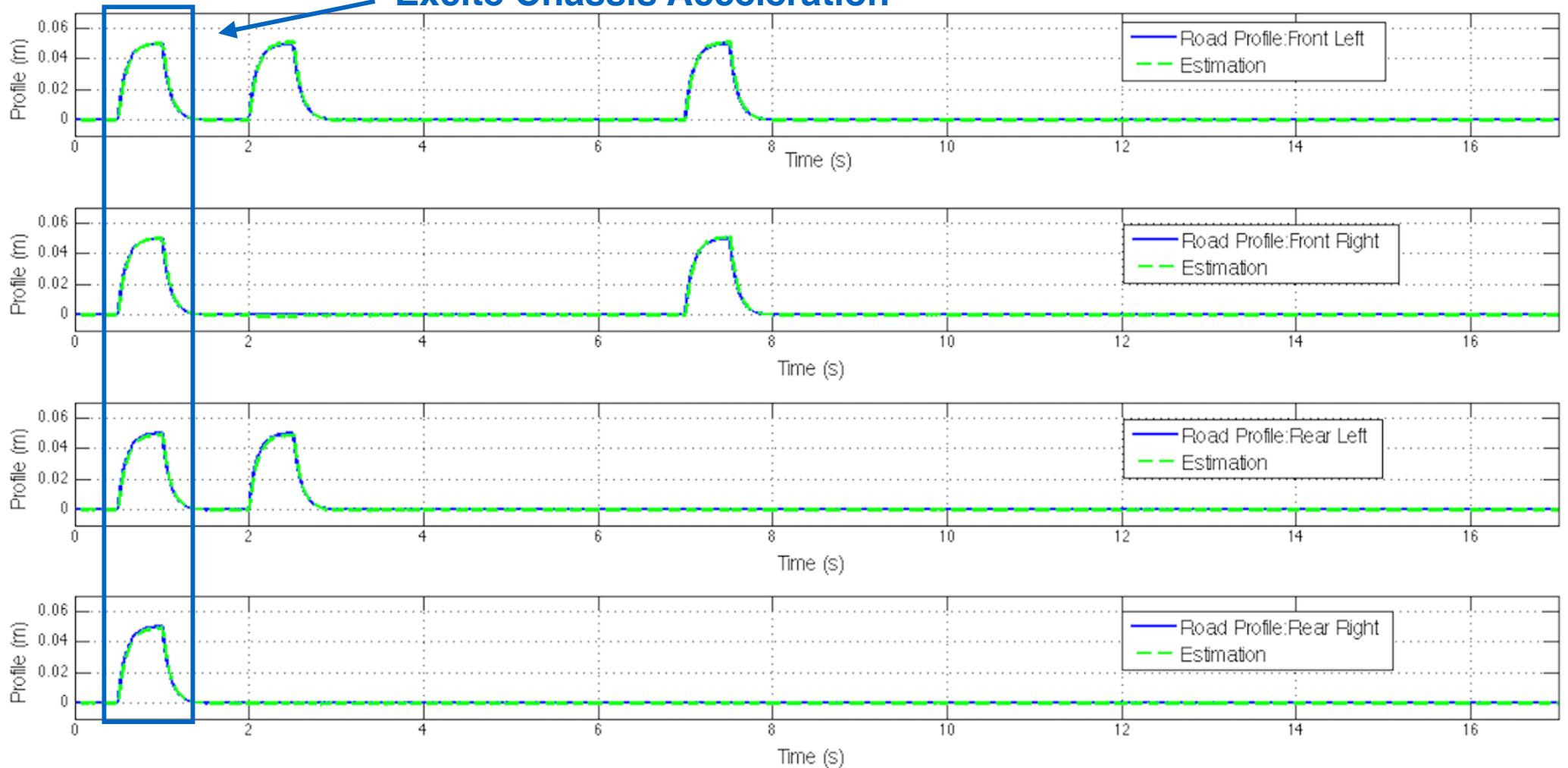


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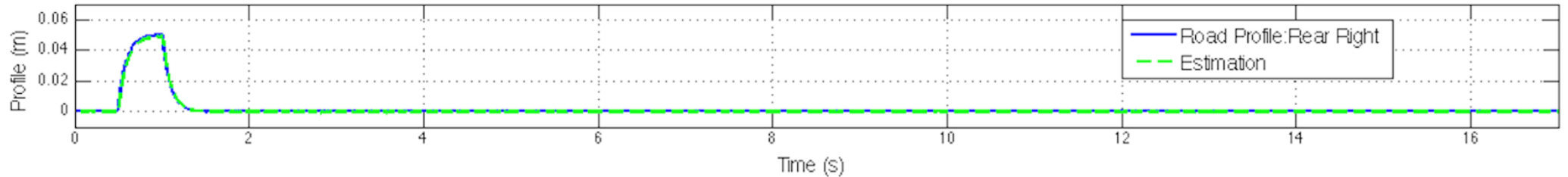
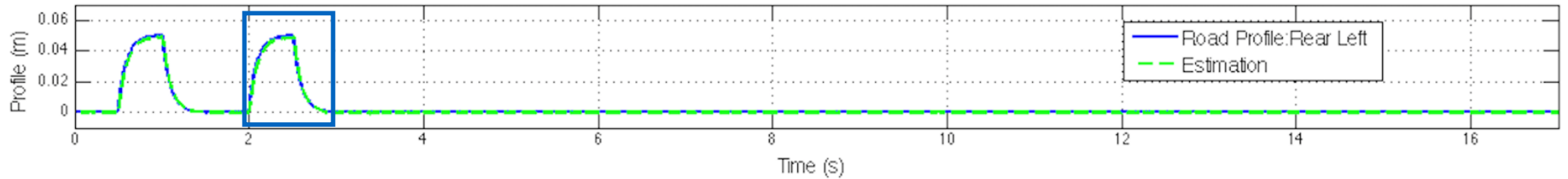
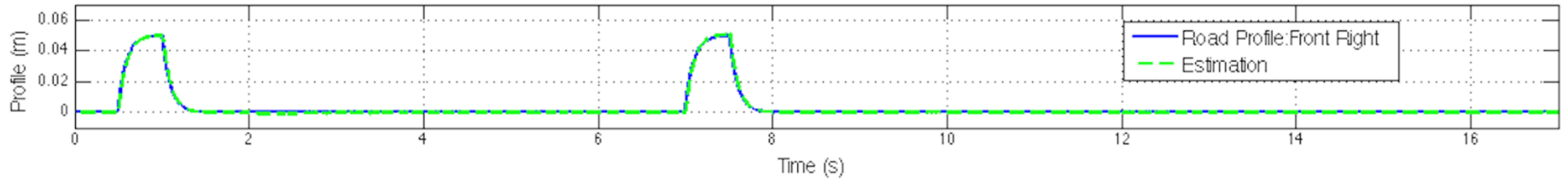
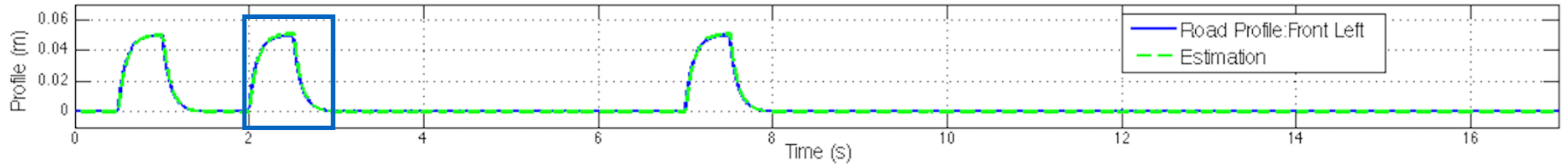
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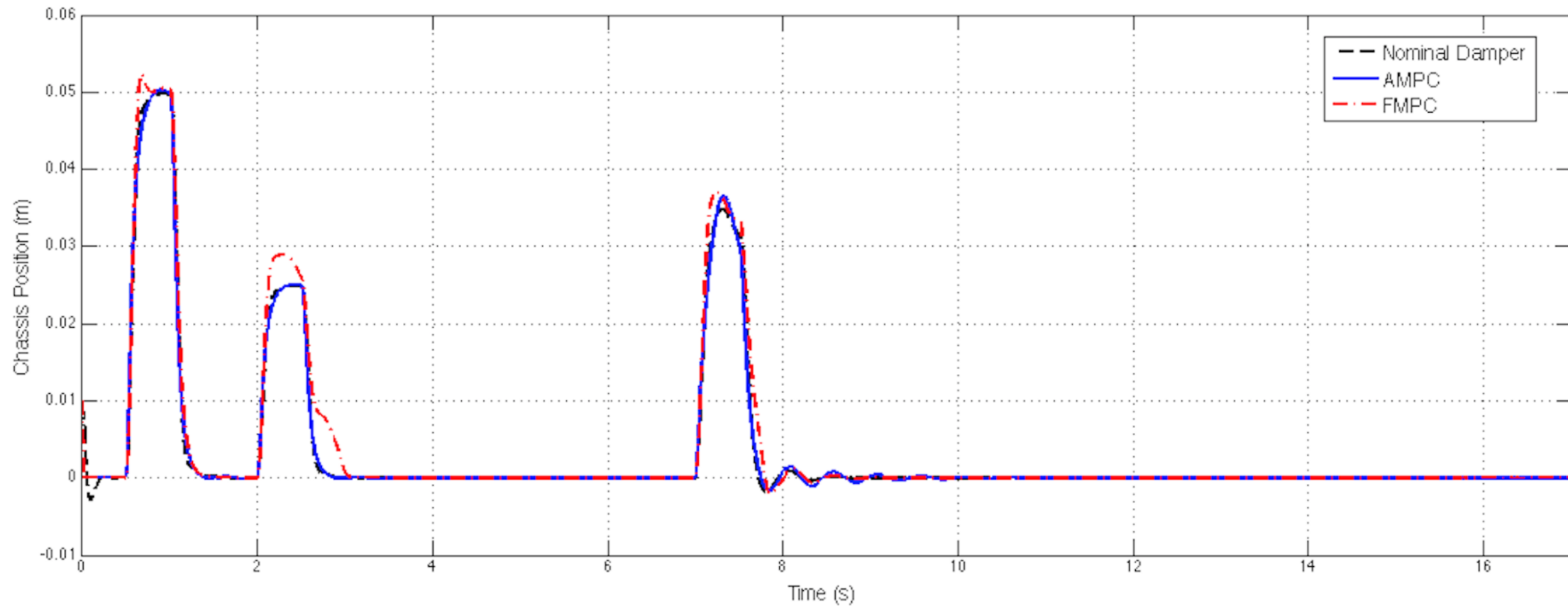
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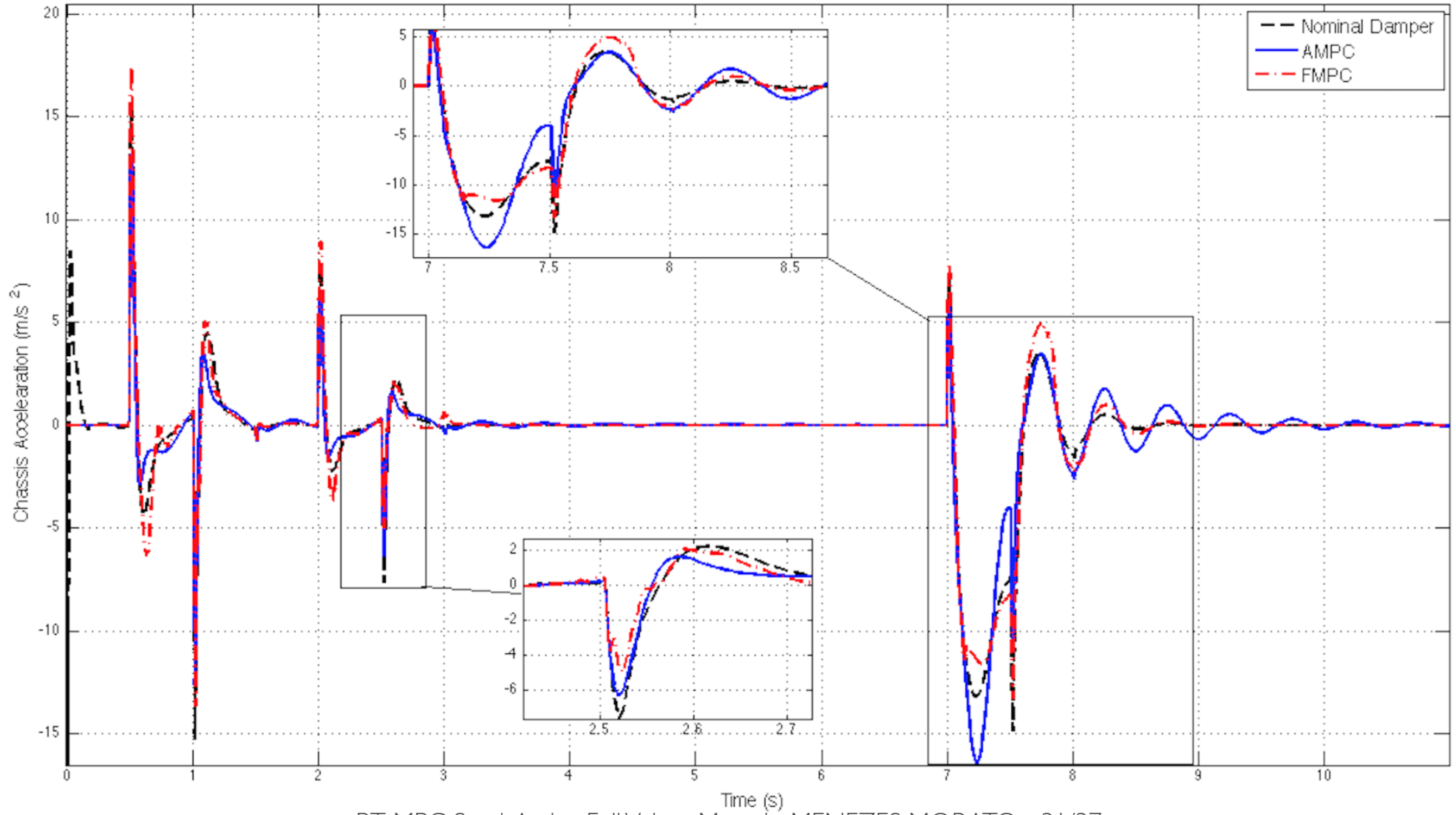
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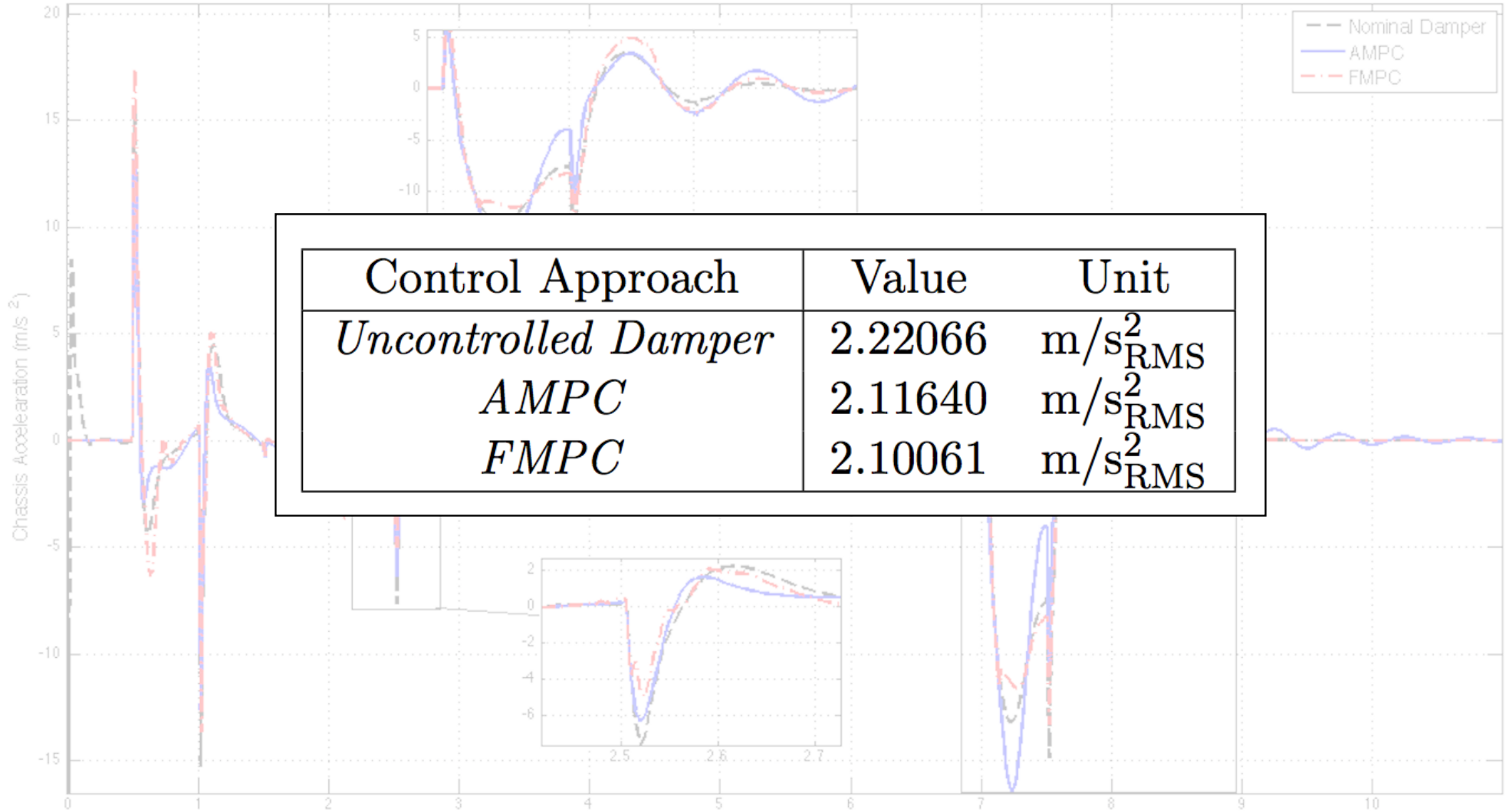
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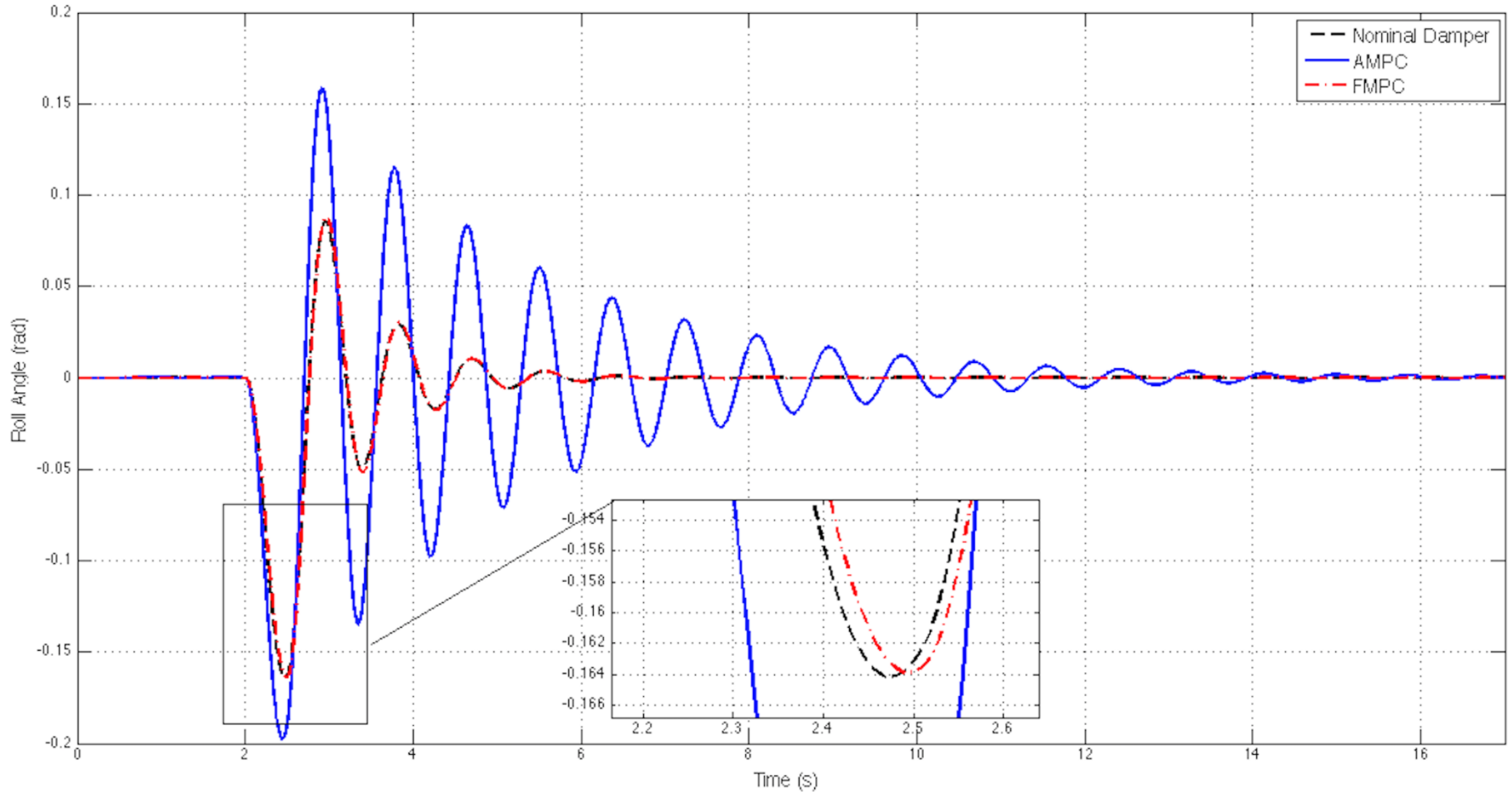
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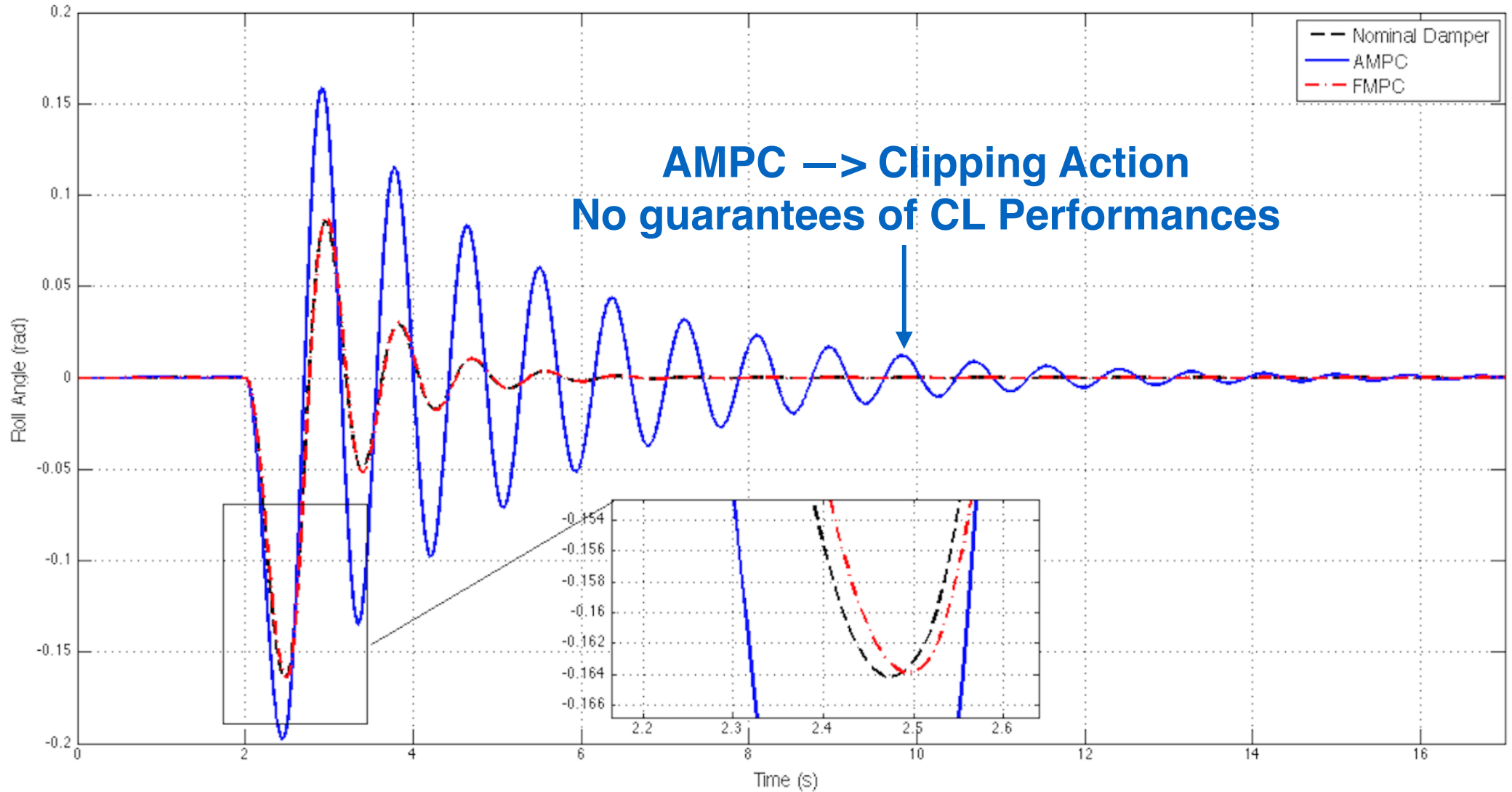
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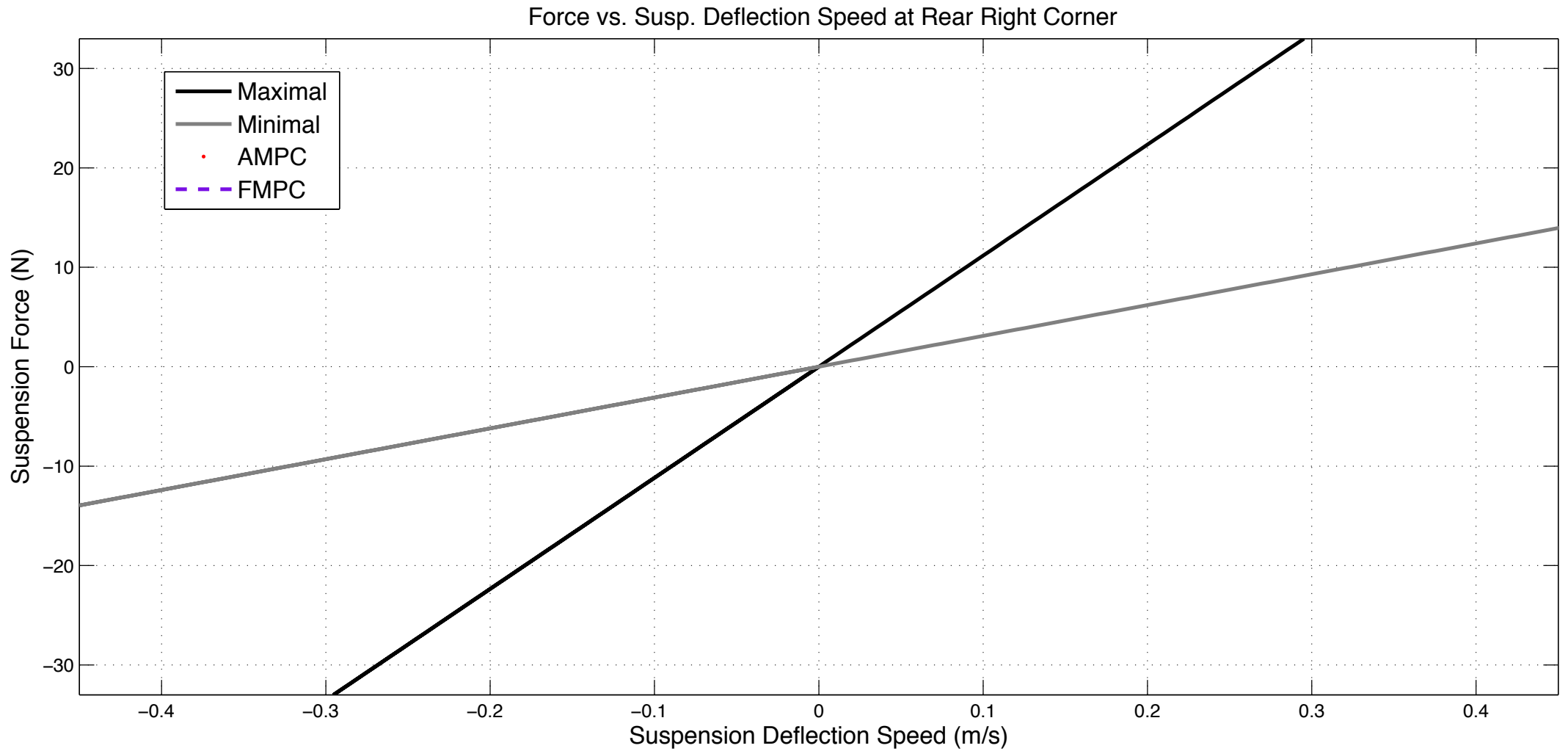
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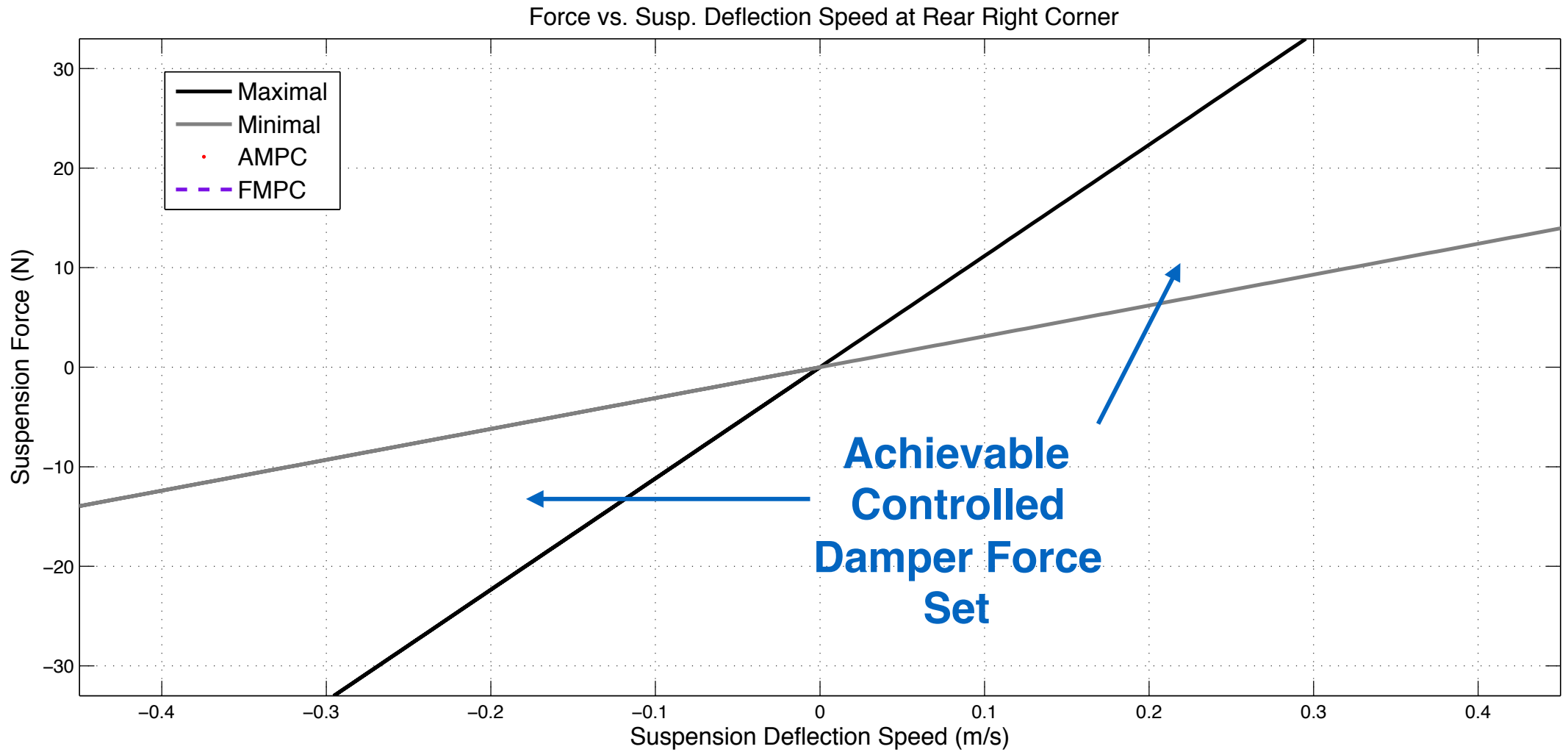
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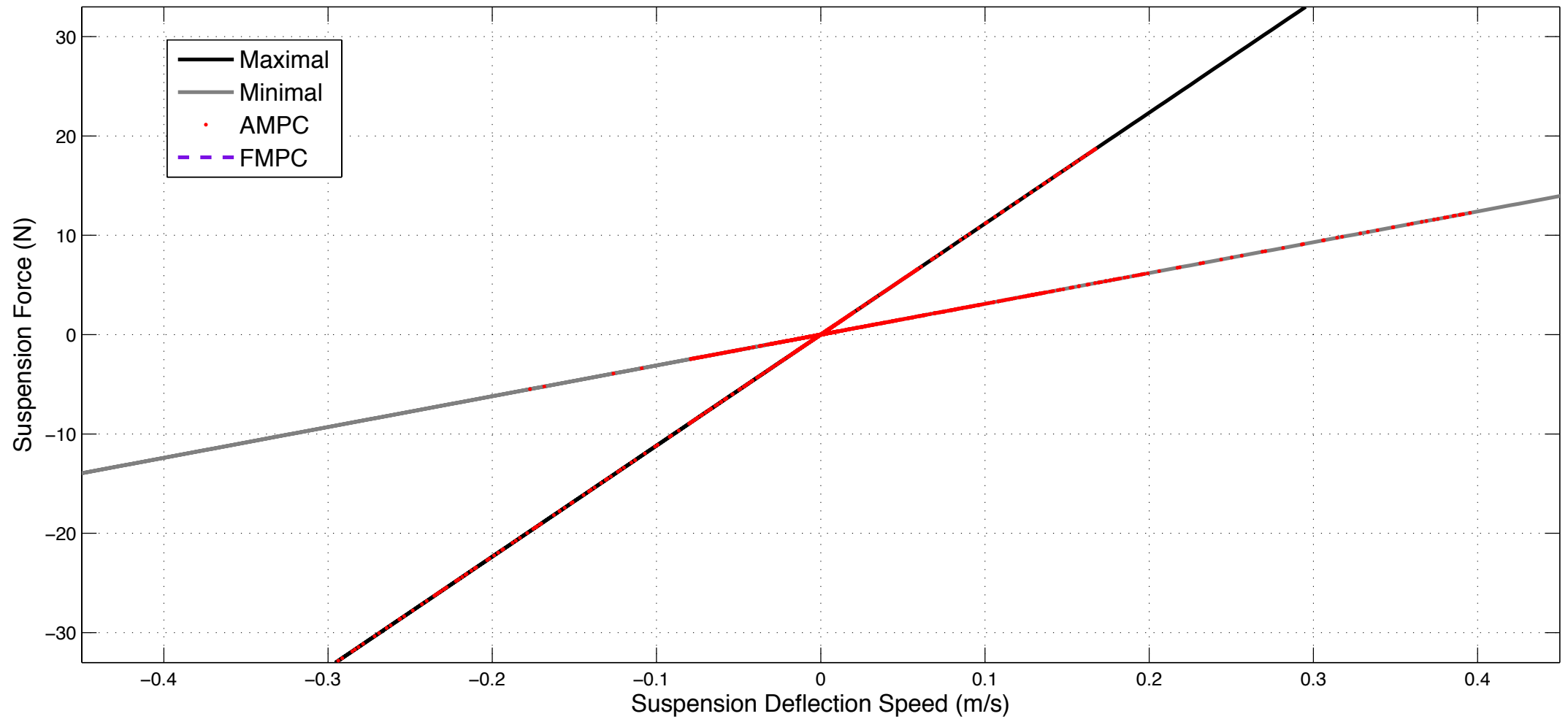
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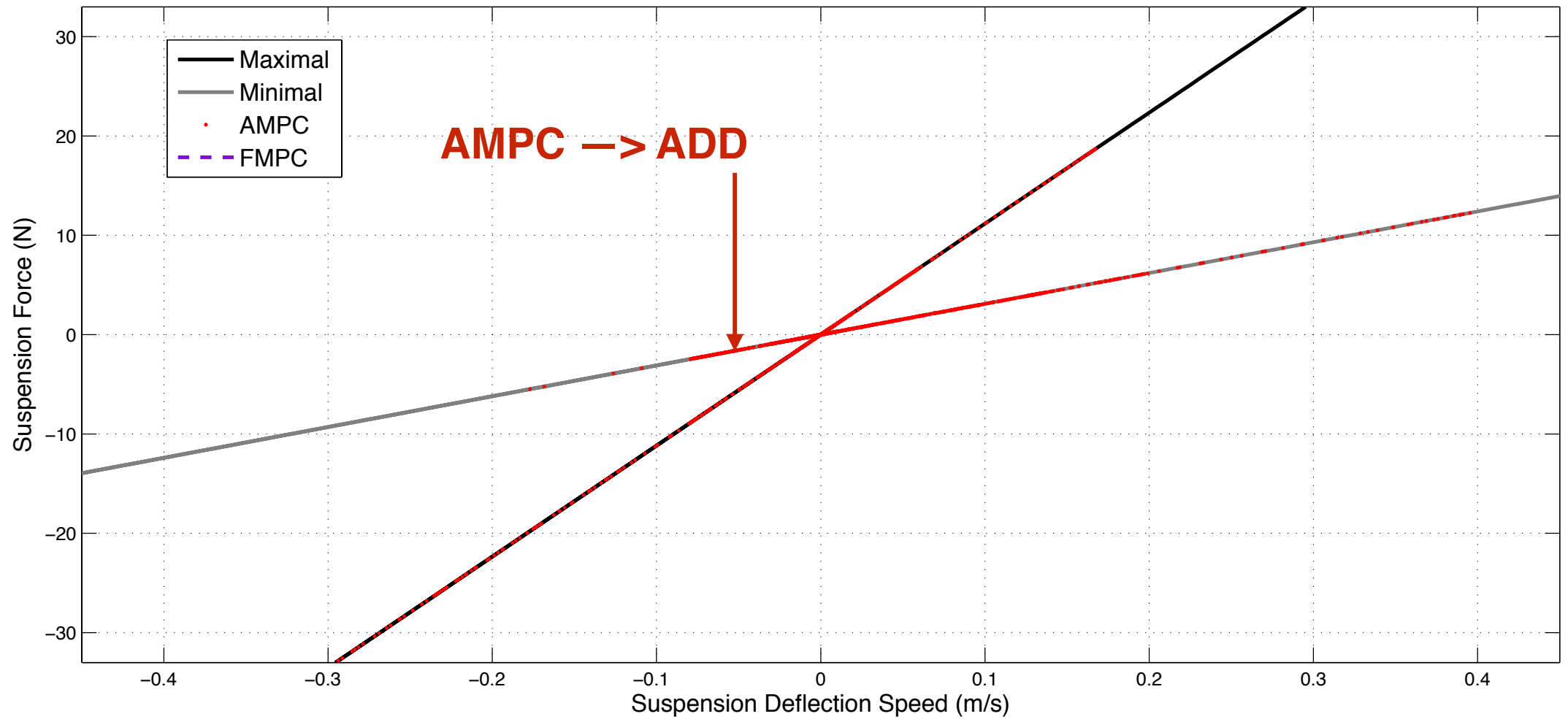
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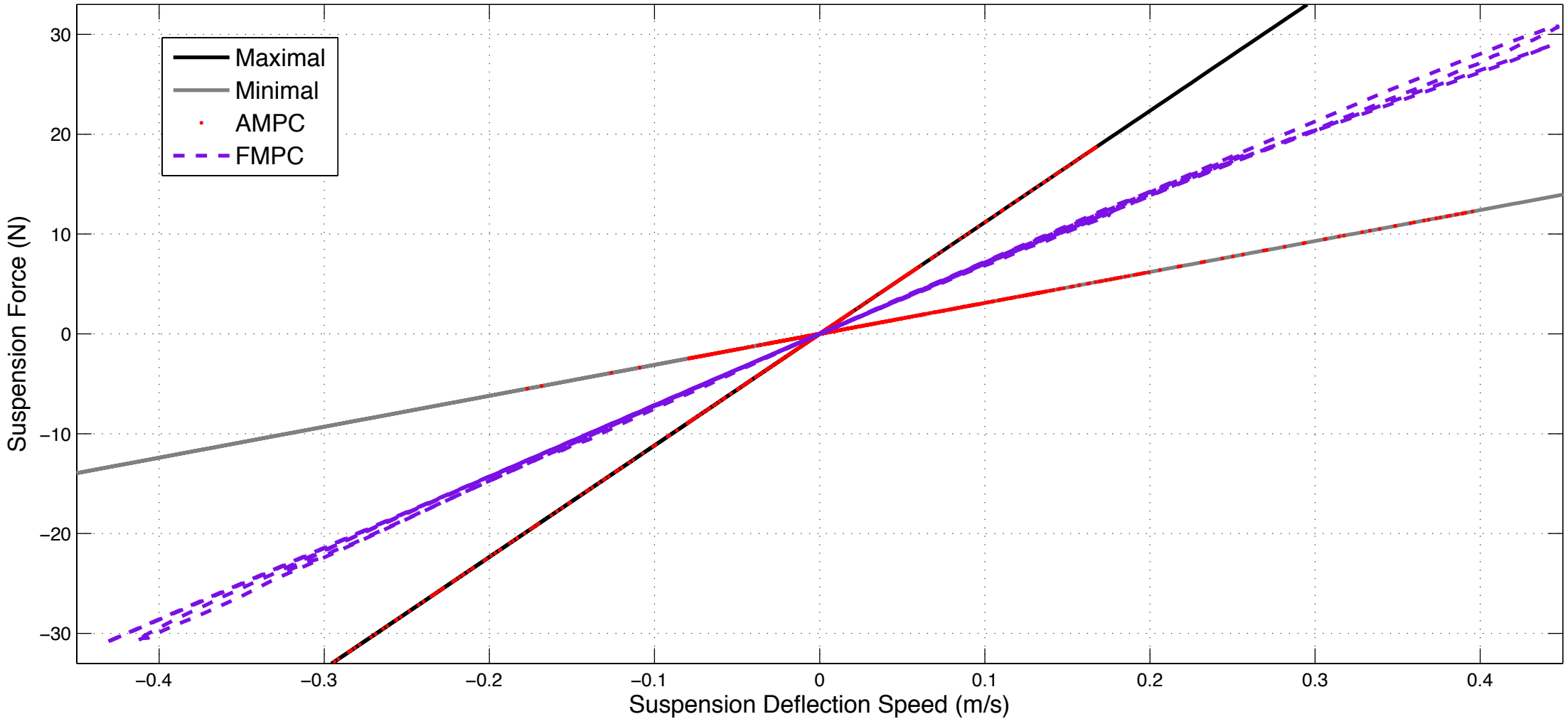
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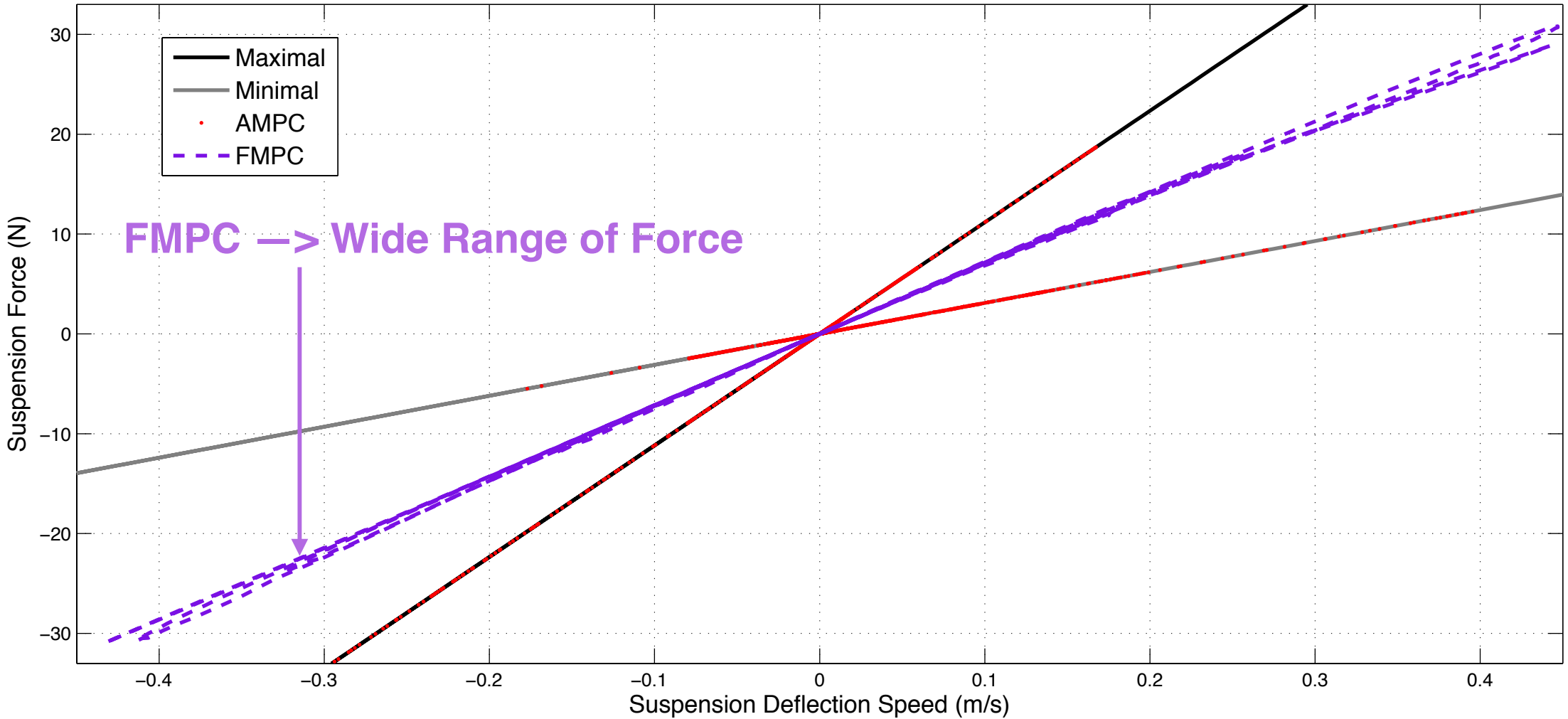
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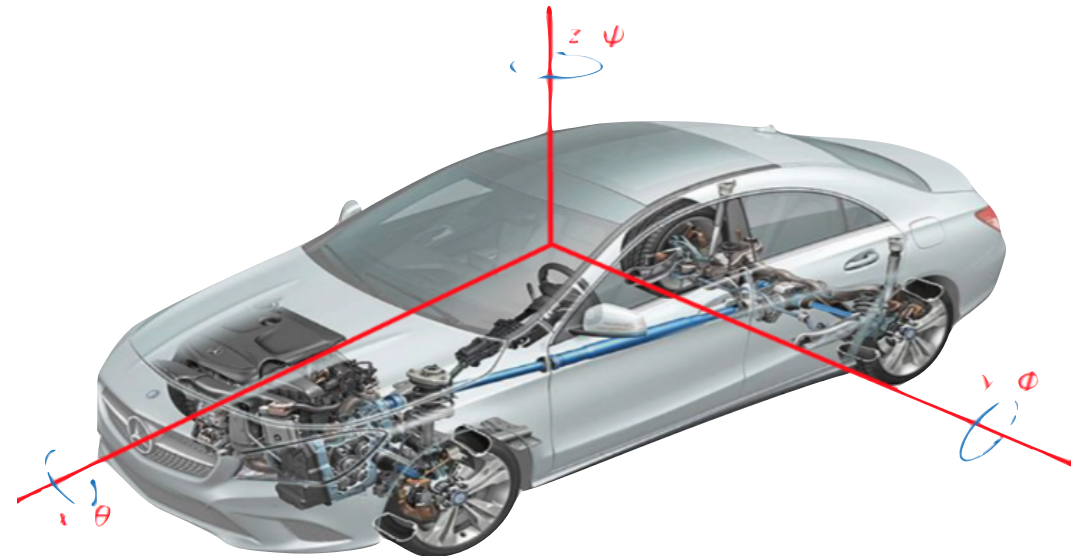
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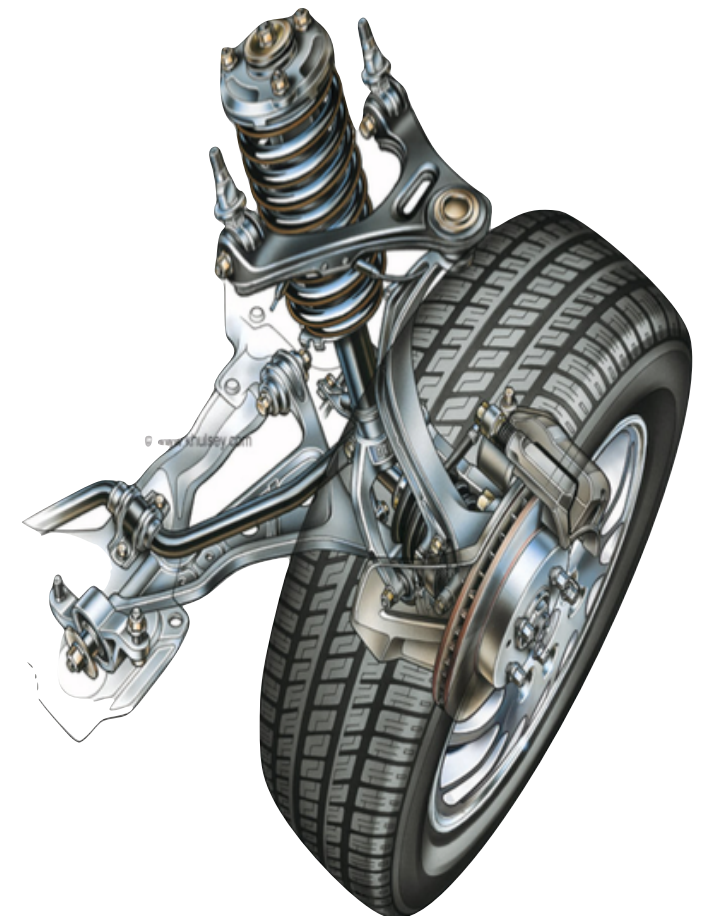
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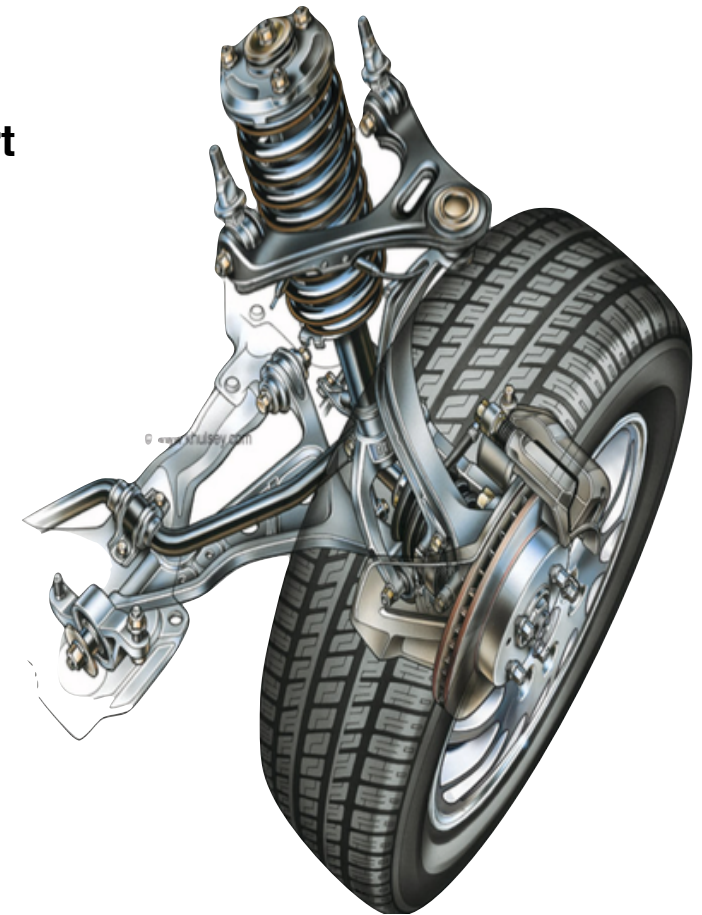
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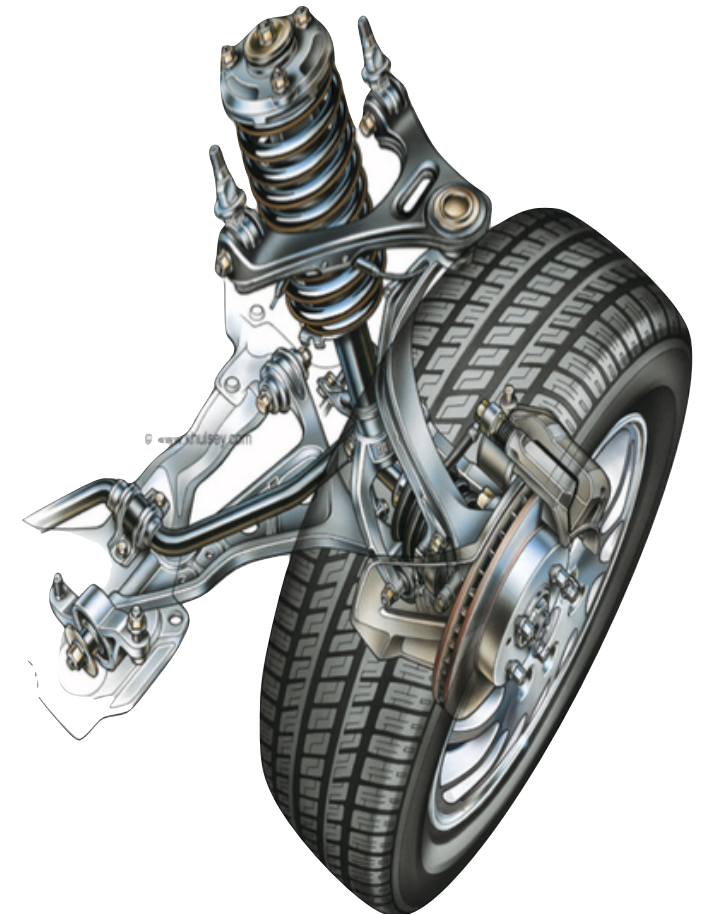
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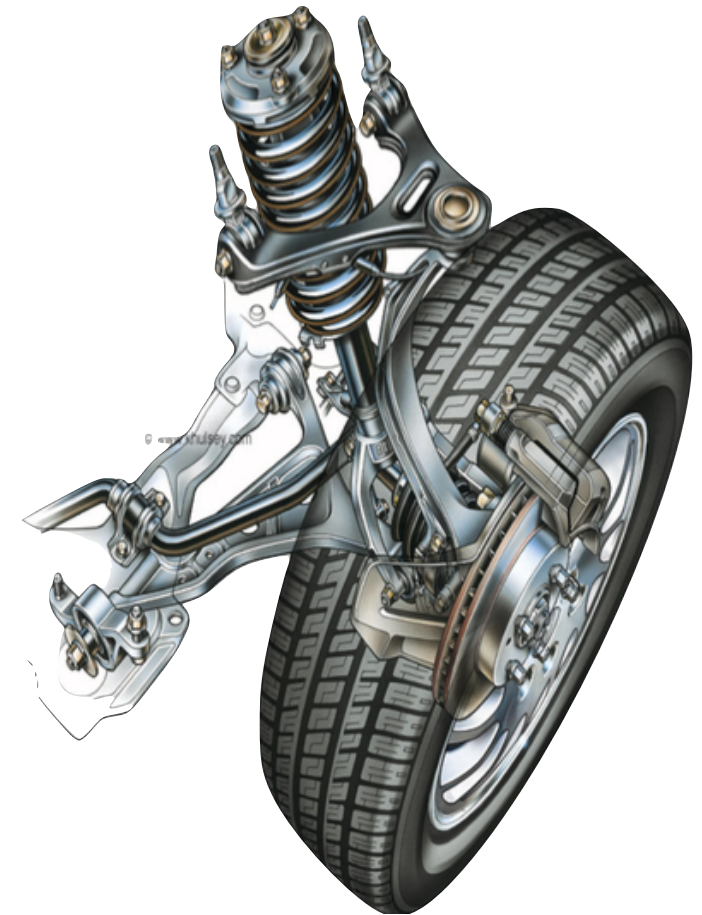
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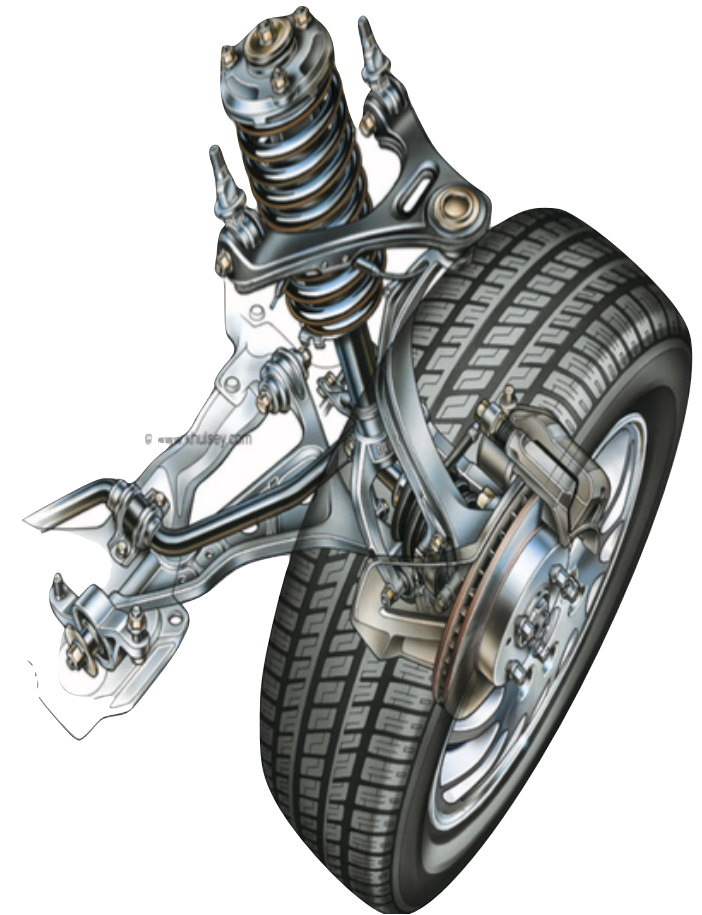
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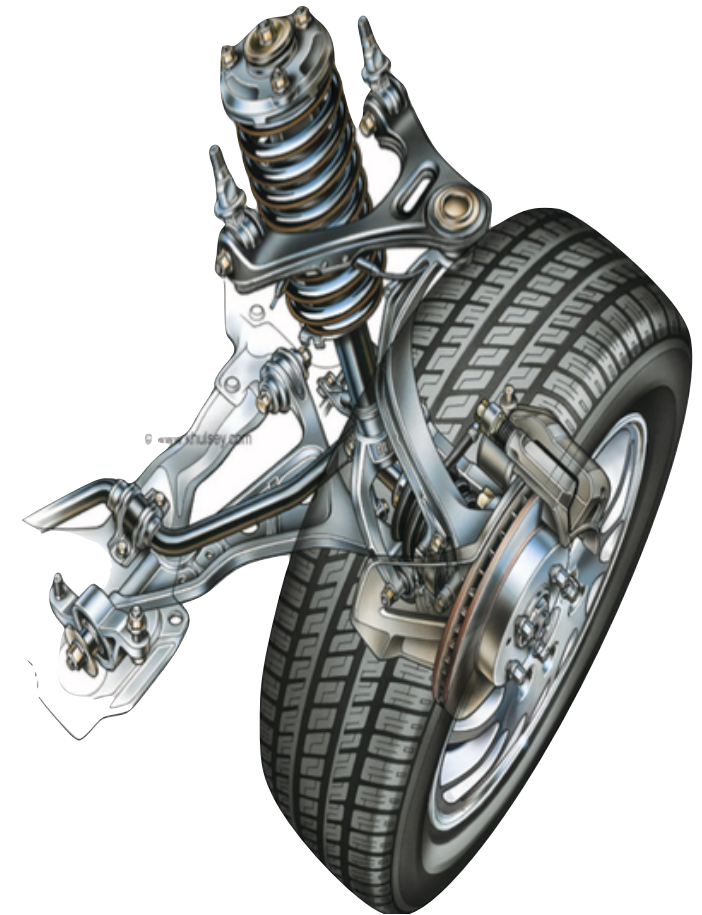
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