

Continental Formula Student Tire

Competition Tire 2018 (C18) – Documentation

Introduction

Dear Formula Student Teams,

with this document we would like to inform you about the characteristics of the 2018 Formula Student Tire, namely “C18”.

All characteristics presented in this report are based on the slick tire mounted on a 7 x 13 inch rim.

Sincerely,

Your Continental Team

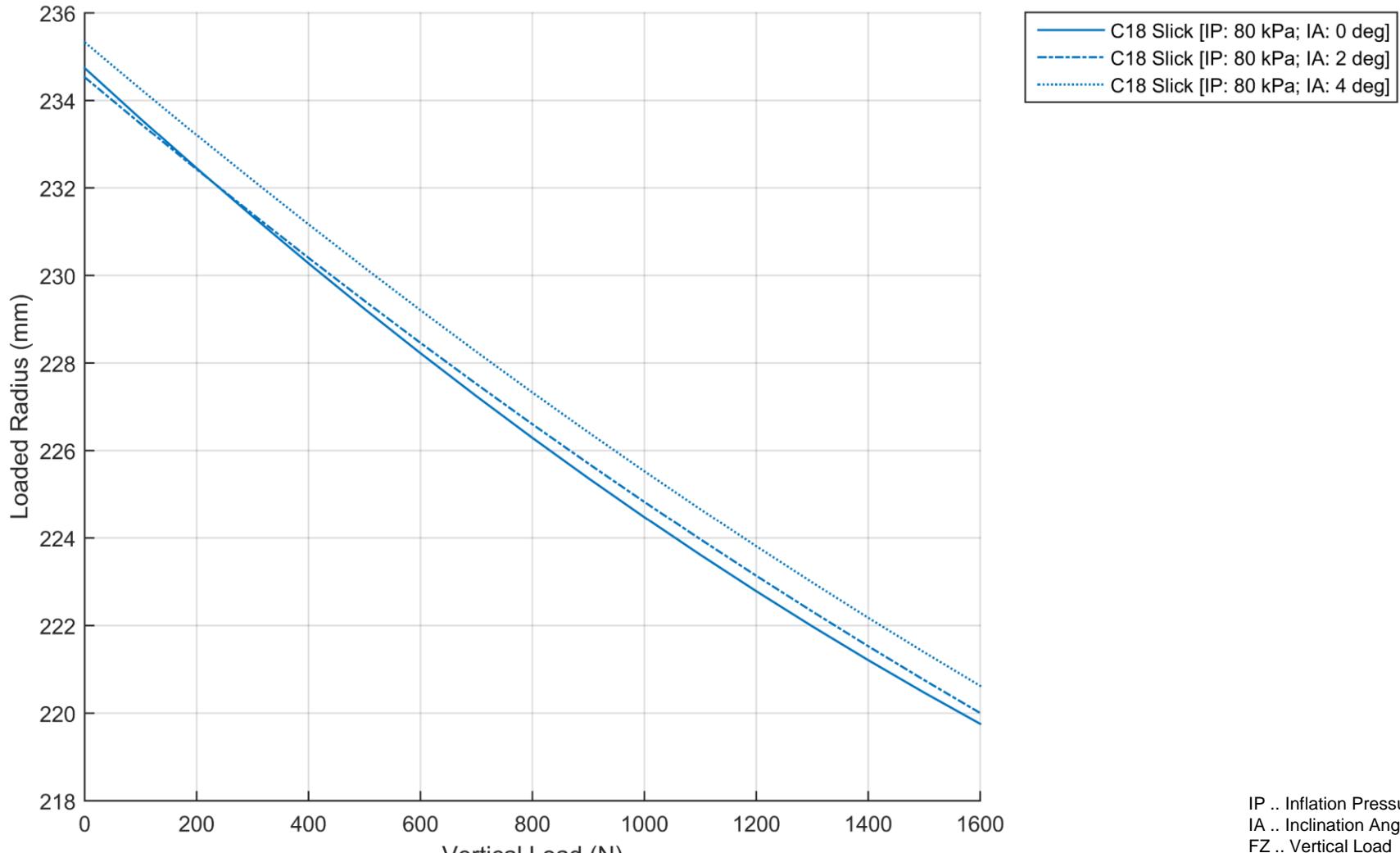


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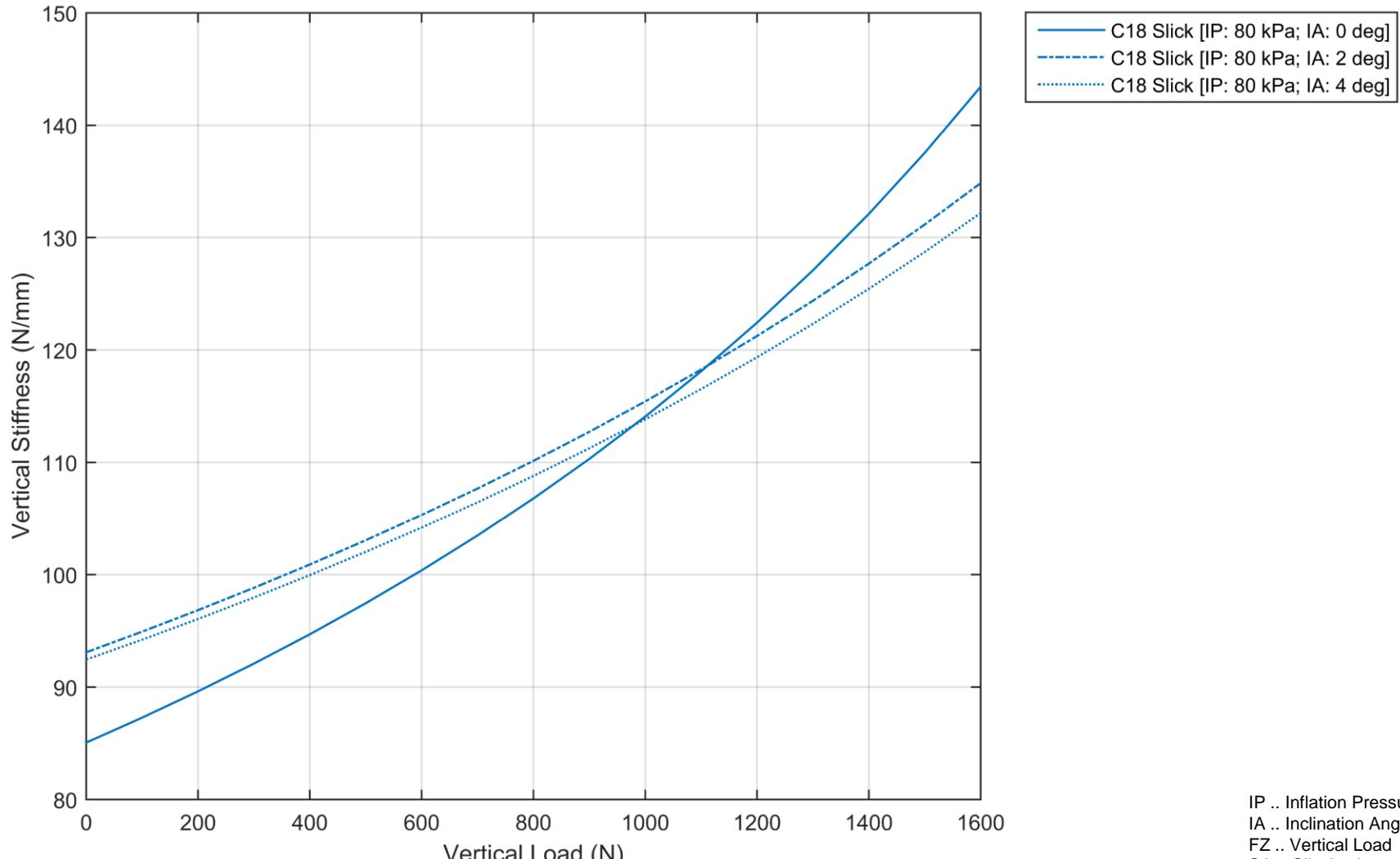
1. Vertical Stiffness & Loaded Radius

Loaded Radius



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Vertical Stiffness



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2. MF-Tyre 5.2 – Tire Property File (*.tir)

The force & moment characteristics of the C18 are represented by the Pacejka MF-Tyre 5.2 model. The according tire model coefficients for the pure lateral slip conditions have been fitted to measurement data from a Flat Trac test machine in order to:

- › get representations of the raw data without noise & hysteresis effects from the measurement
- › be able to reasonably interpolate/extrapolate between/beyond the measured test conditions
- › obtain further representations like derivatives (e.g. cornering stiffness) or normalized values, extreme values etc. (e.g. coefficient of friction)
- › have a mathematical representation of the tire F&M characteristics to be used for vehicle dynamics simulations etc.

2. MF-Tyre 5.2 – Tire Property File (*.tir)

The Pacejka MF-Tyre 5.2 model coefficients that were identified by the fitting of the raw data are stored in a Tire Property File. This file can be used by vehicle dynamic simulation software. It is also possible to extract the coefficients manually or by a custom made software routine.

The Tire Property File for the C18 slick tire that comes along with this document is named as follows: “C18_CONTINENTAL_FORMULASTUDENT_205_470_R13_80kPa.tir”

For further information on the Pacejka MF-Tyre 5.2 model please refer to the common literature.

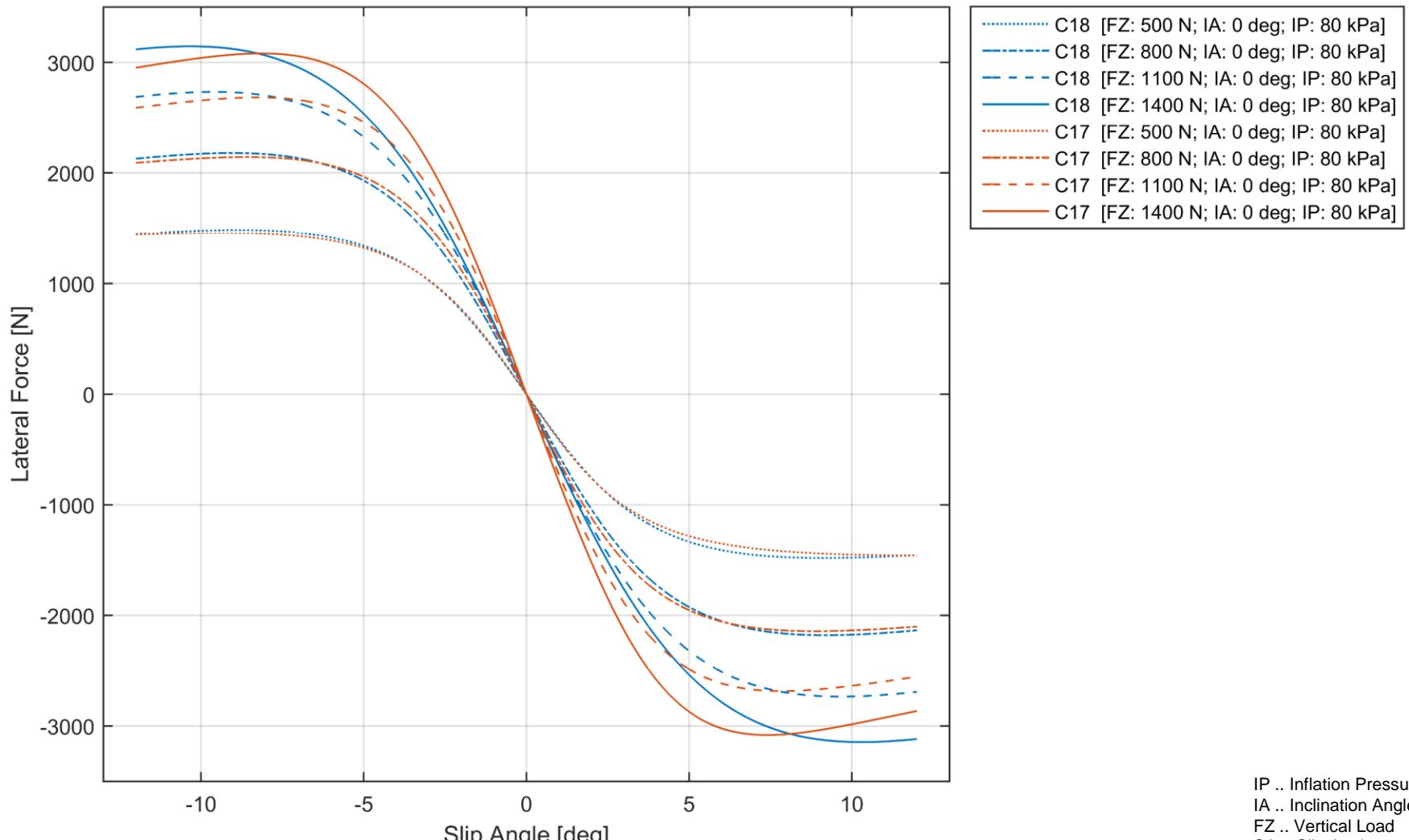
3. MF-Tyre 5.2 Plot – Lateral Slip

On the next pages, the MF-Tyre 5.2 model outputs will be plotted for the coefficients from the C18 Tire Property File.

Furthermore, a comparison to the predecessor C17 is shown.

3.1 MF-Tyre 5.2 Plot – Lateral Slip: C18 vs. C17

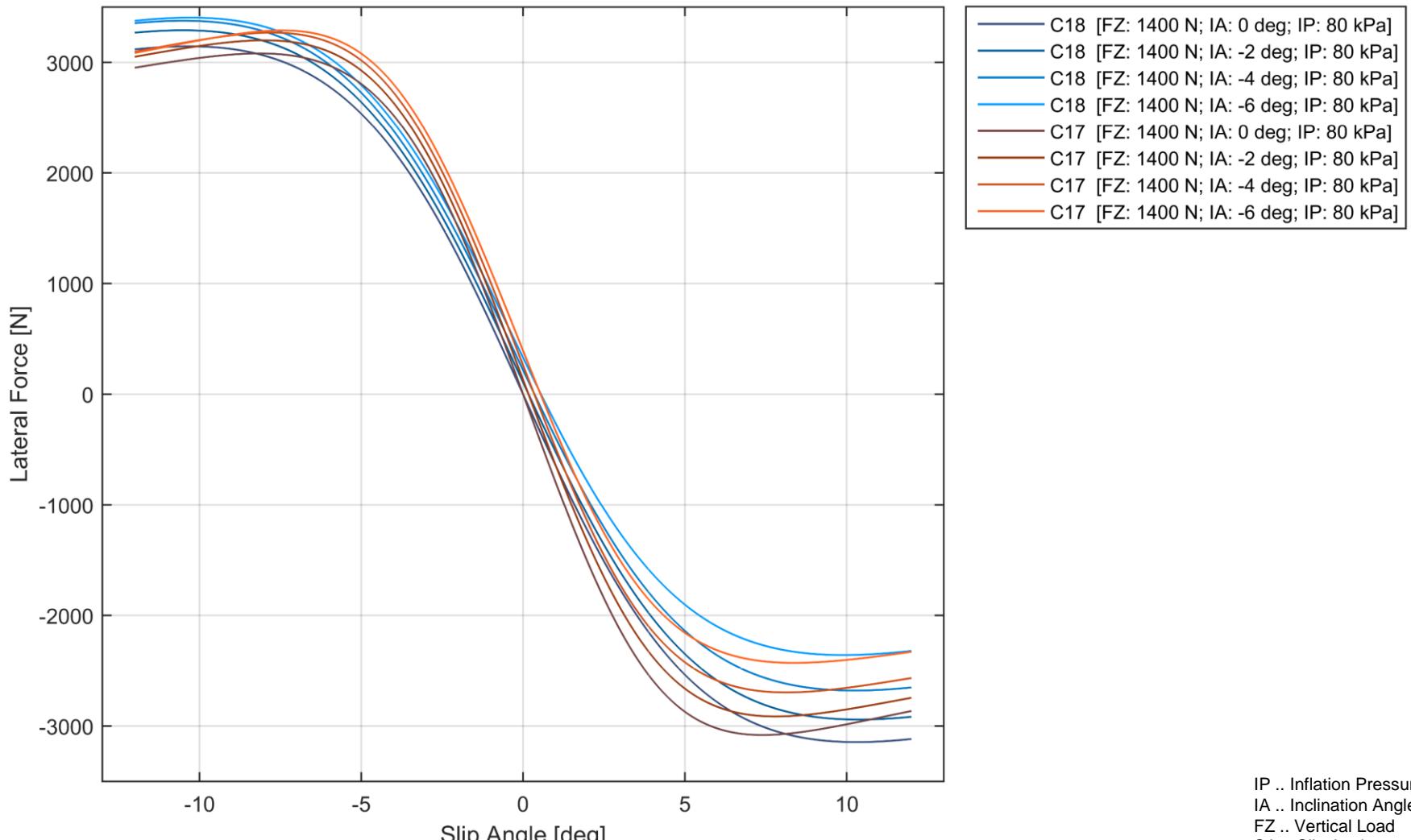
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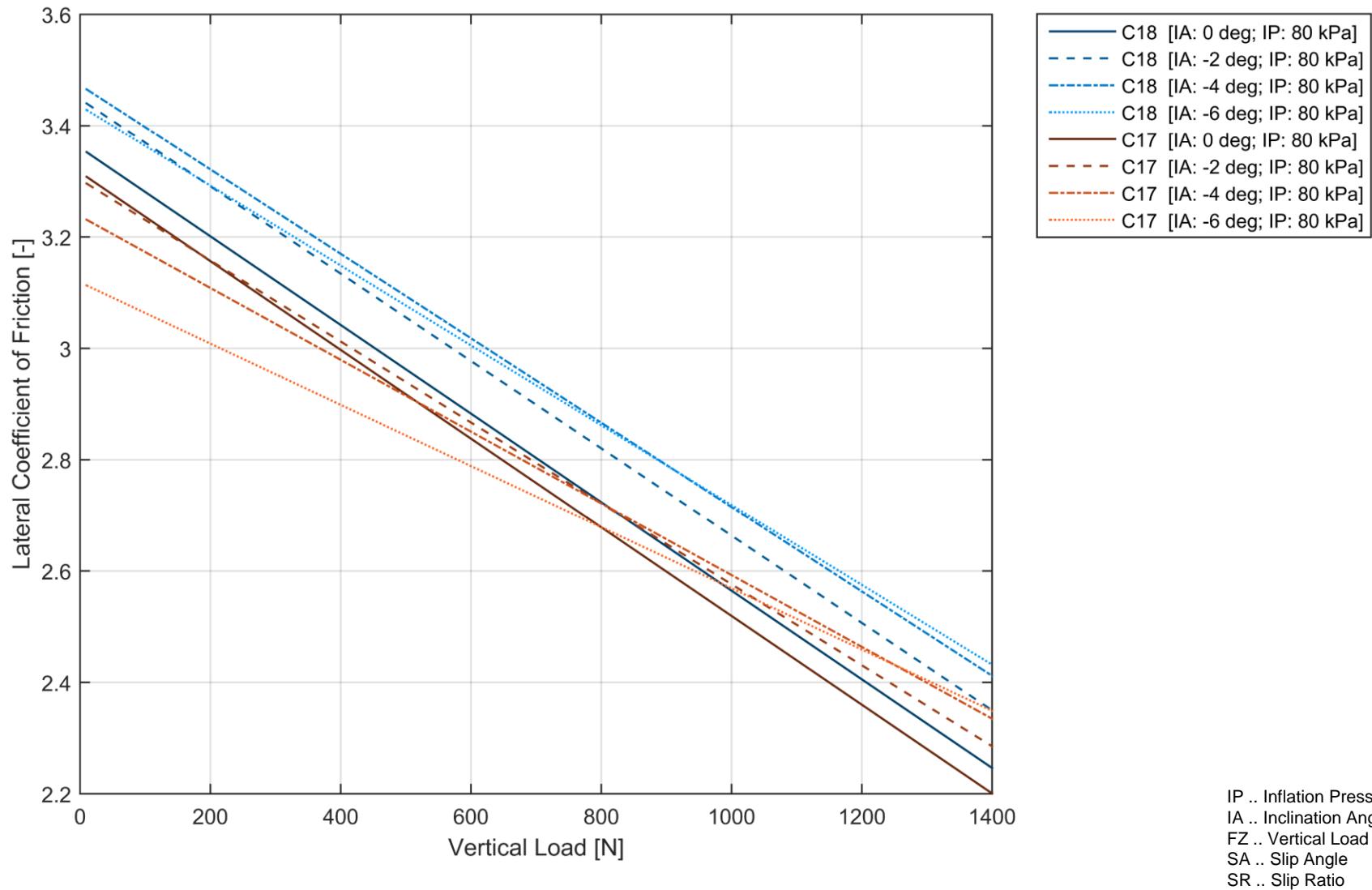
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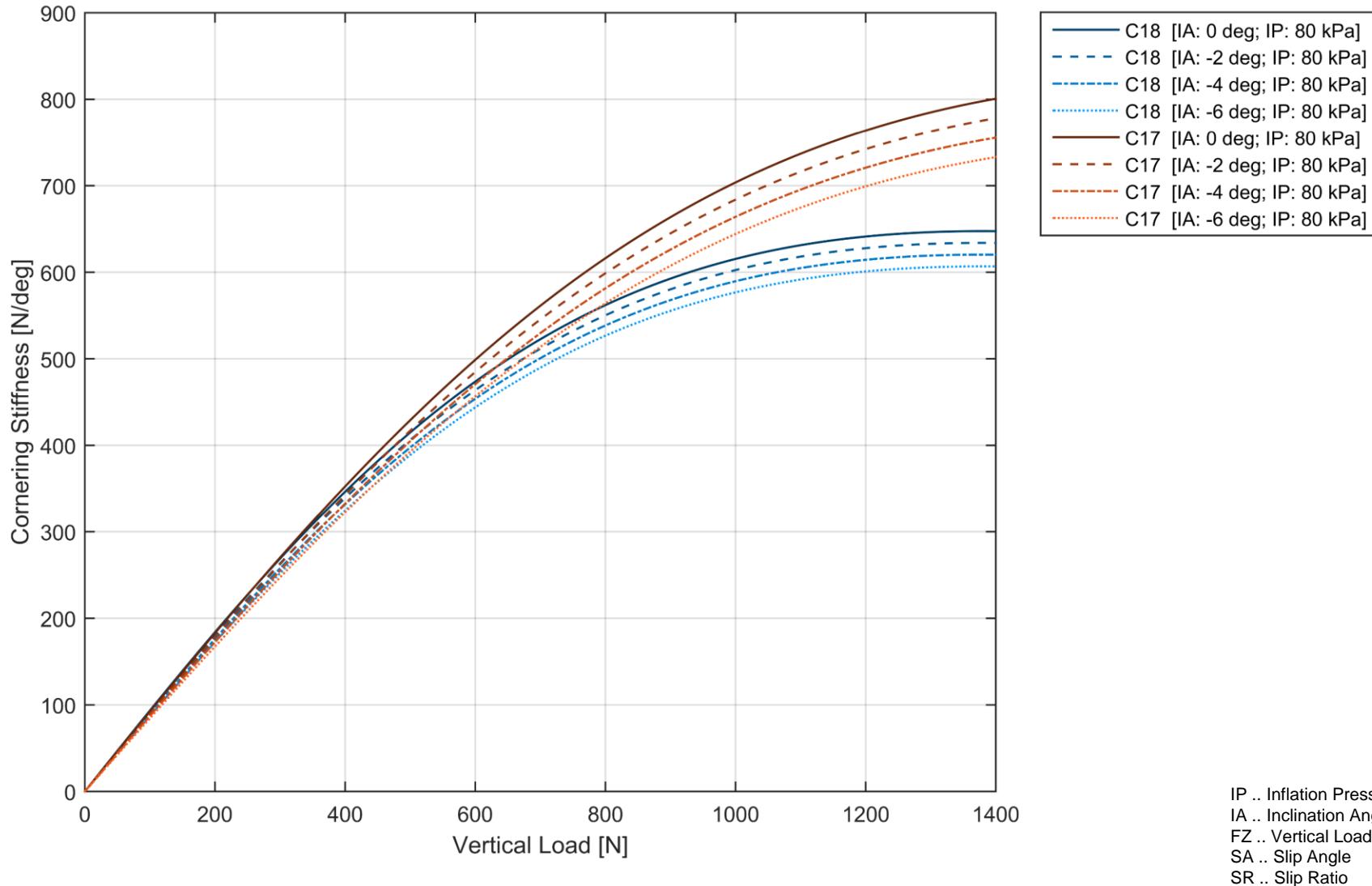
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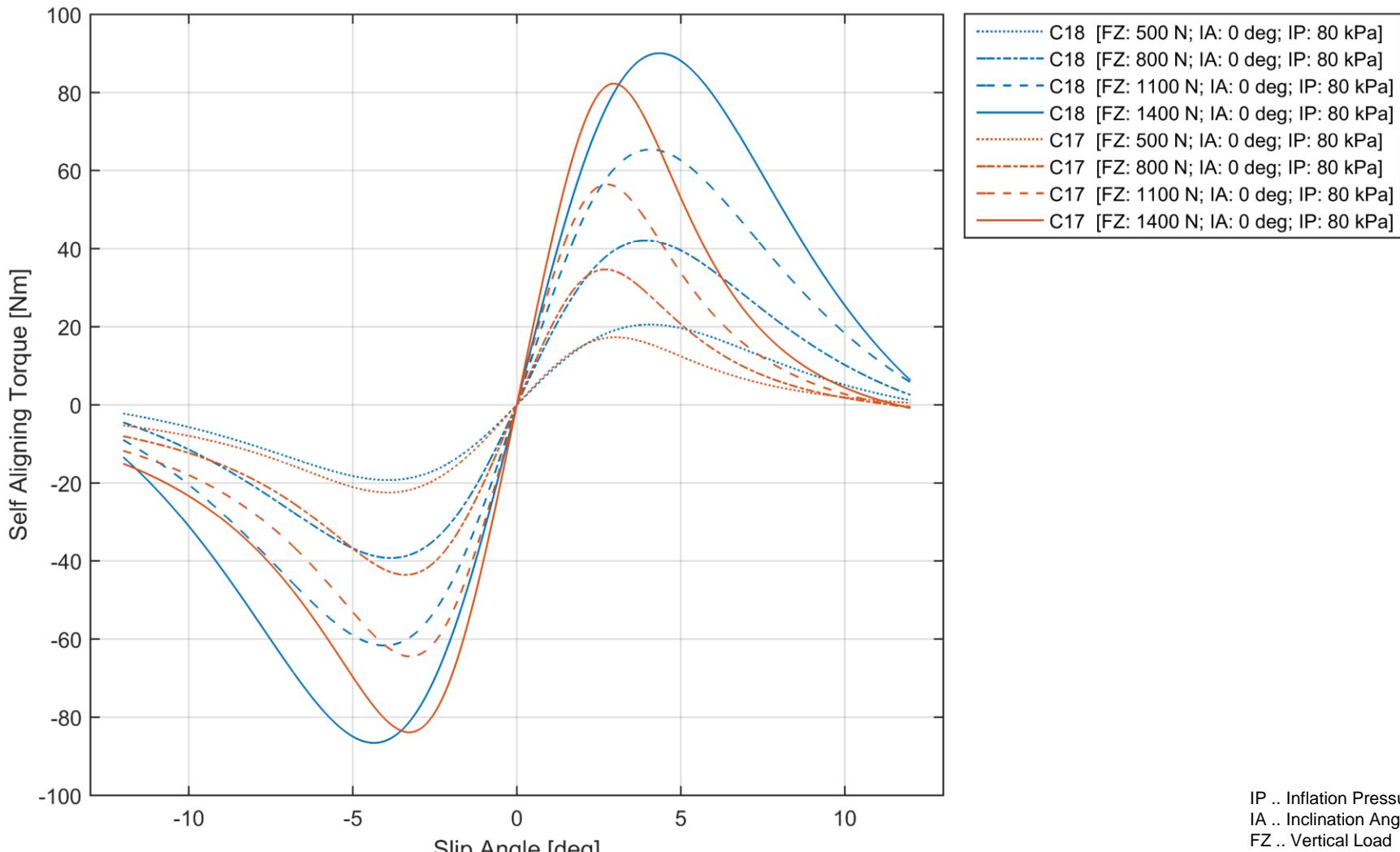
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3.1 MF-Tyre 5.2 Plot – Lateral Slip: C18 vs. C17 Cornering Stiffness



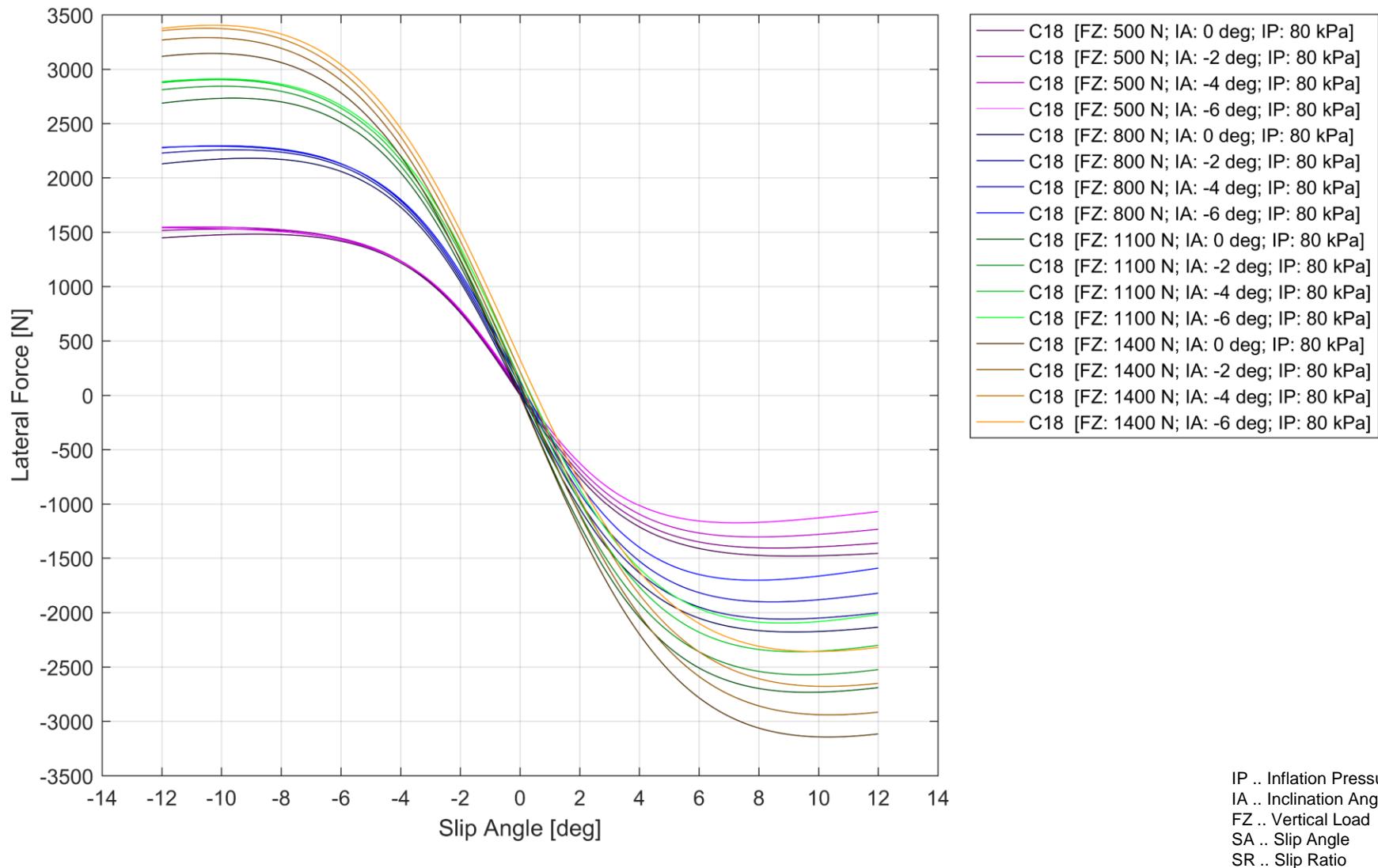
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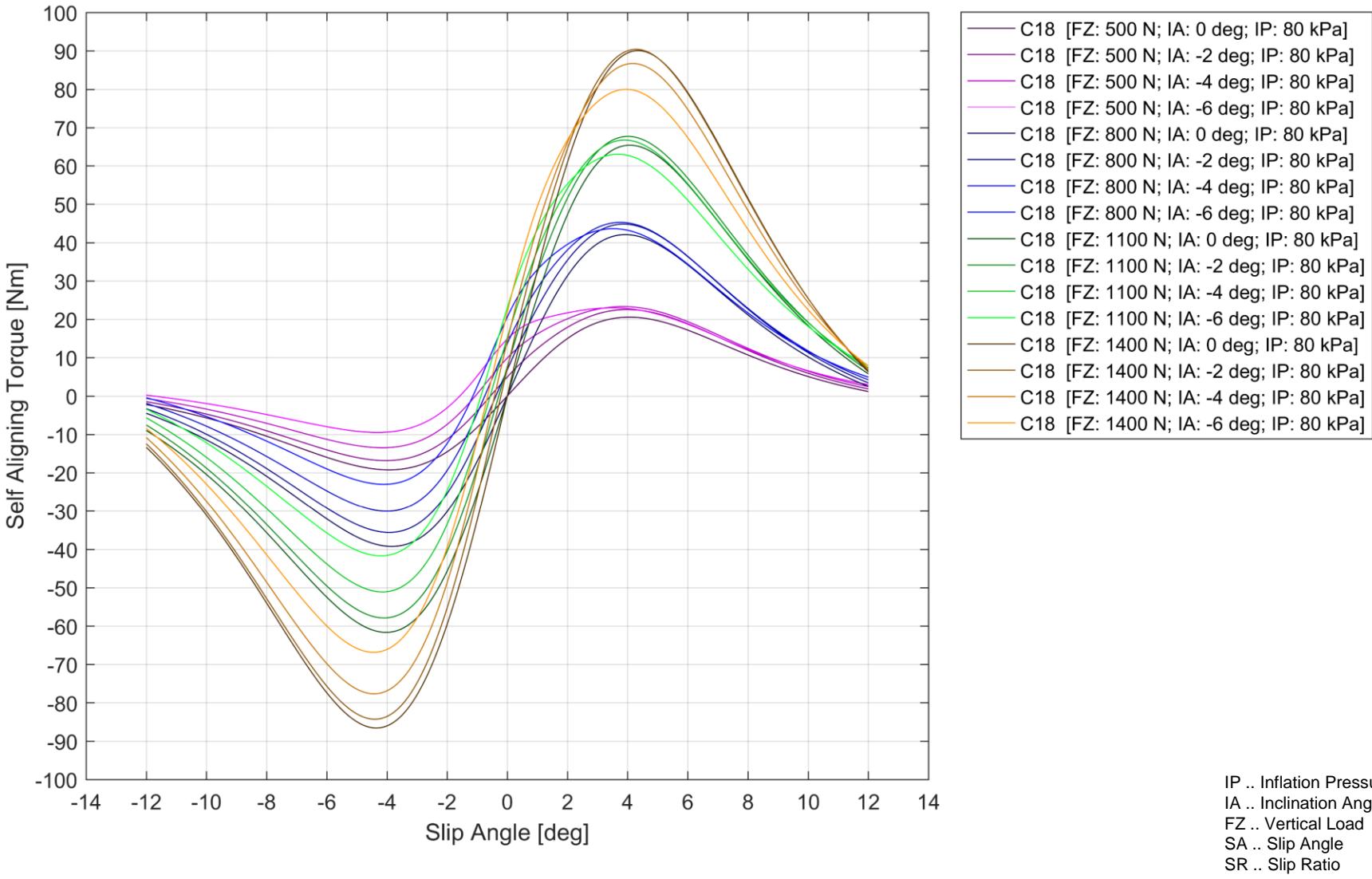
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3.2 MF-Tyre 5.2 Plot – Lateral Slip: C18 detail

Lateral Force

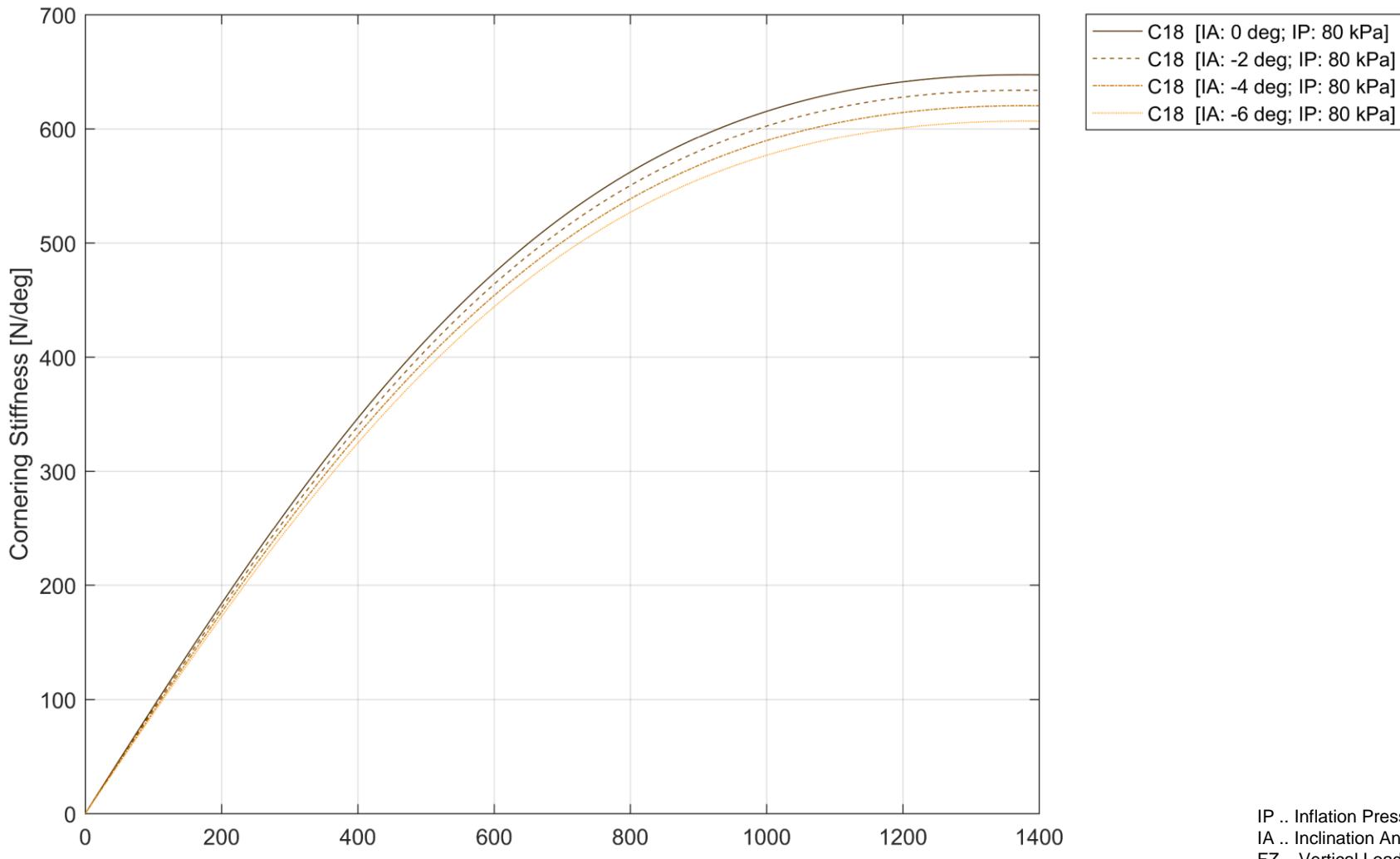


3.2 MF-Tyre 5.2 Plot – Lateral Slip: C18 detail Self Aligning Torque



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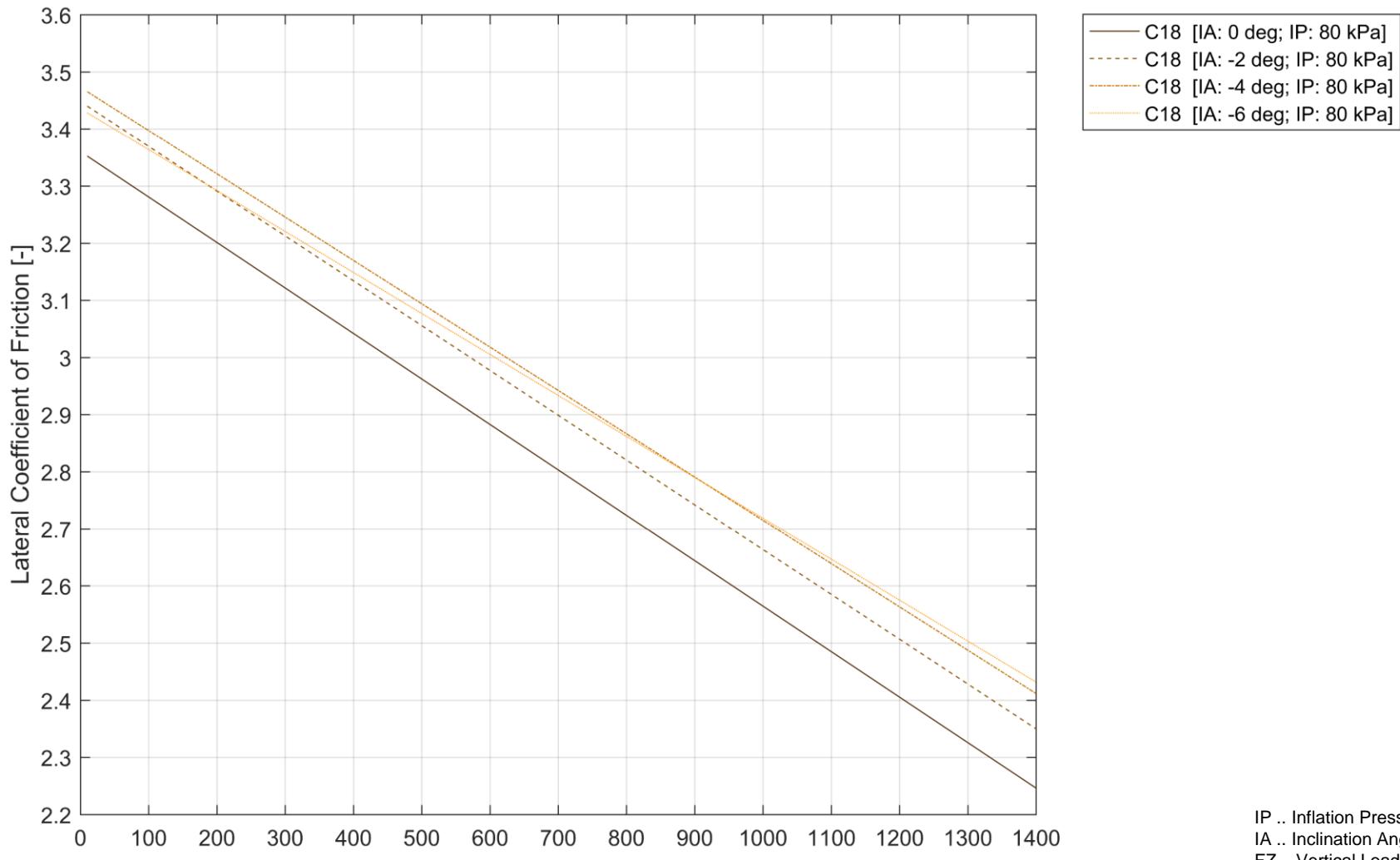
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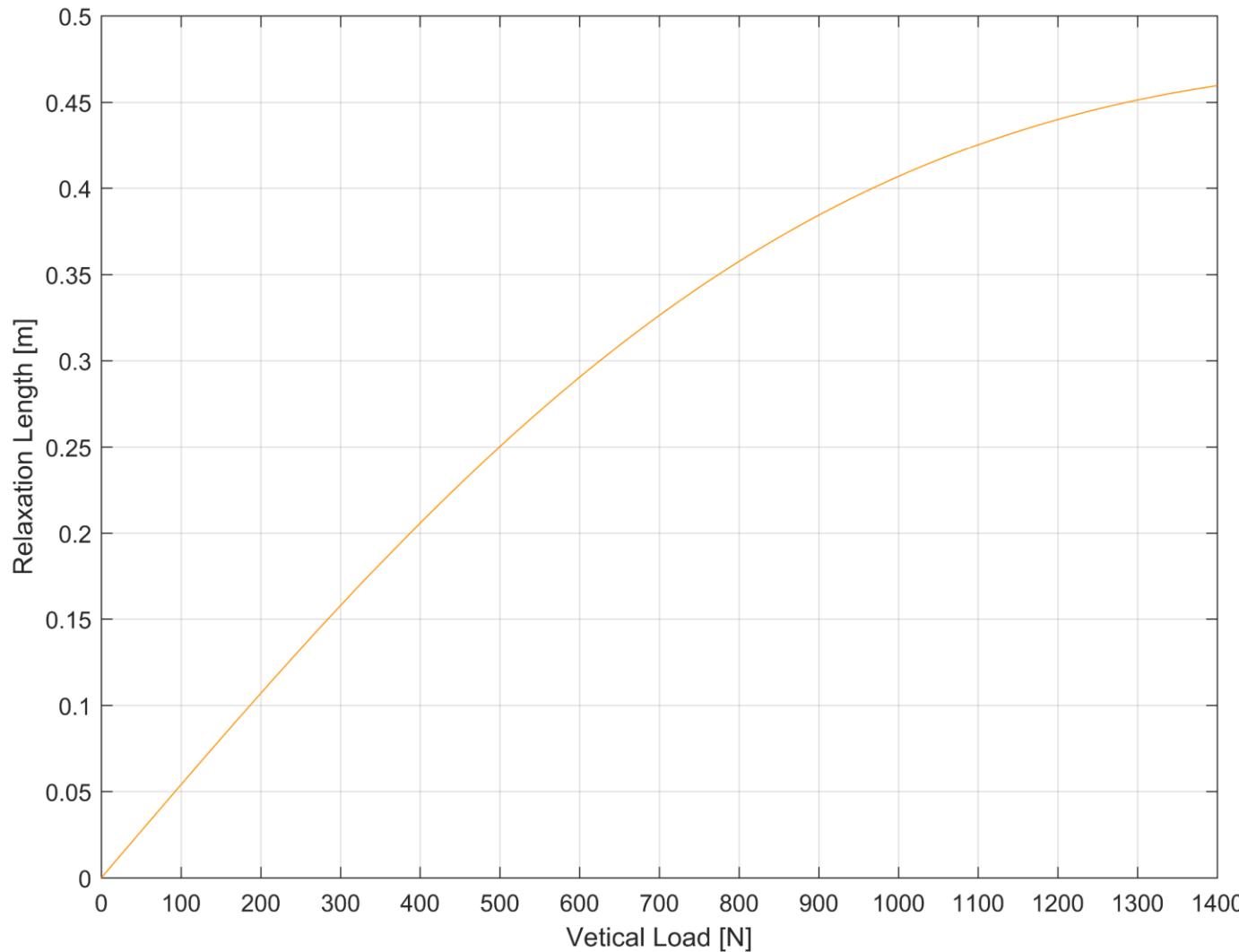
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3.2 MF-Tyre 5.2 Plot – Lateral Slip: C18 detail

Relaxation Length



IP .. Inflation Pressure
IA .. Inclination Angle
FZ .. Vertical Load
SA .. Slip Angle
SR .. Slip Ratio

4. MF-Tyre 5.2 Plot – Longitudinal and Combined Slip

It should be noted that the MF-Tyre 5.2 Tire Property File for the C18 contains coefficients for the longitudinal and combined slip conditions that are actually **not** fitted to measured raw data from the Flat Trac.

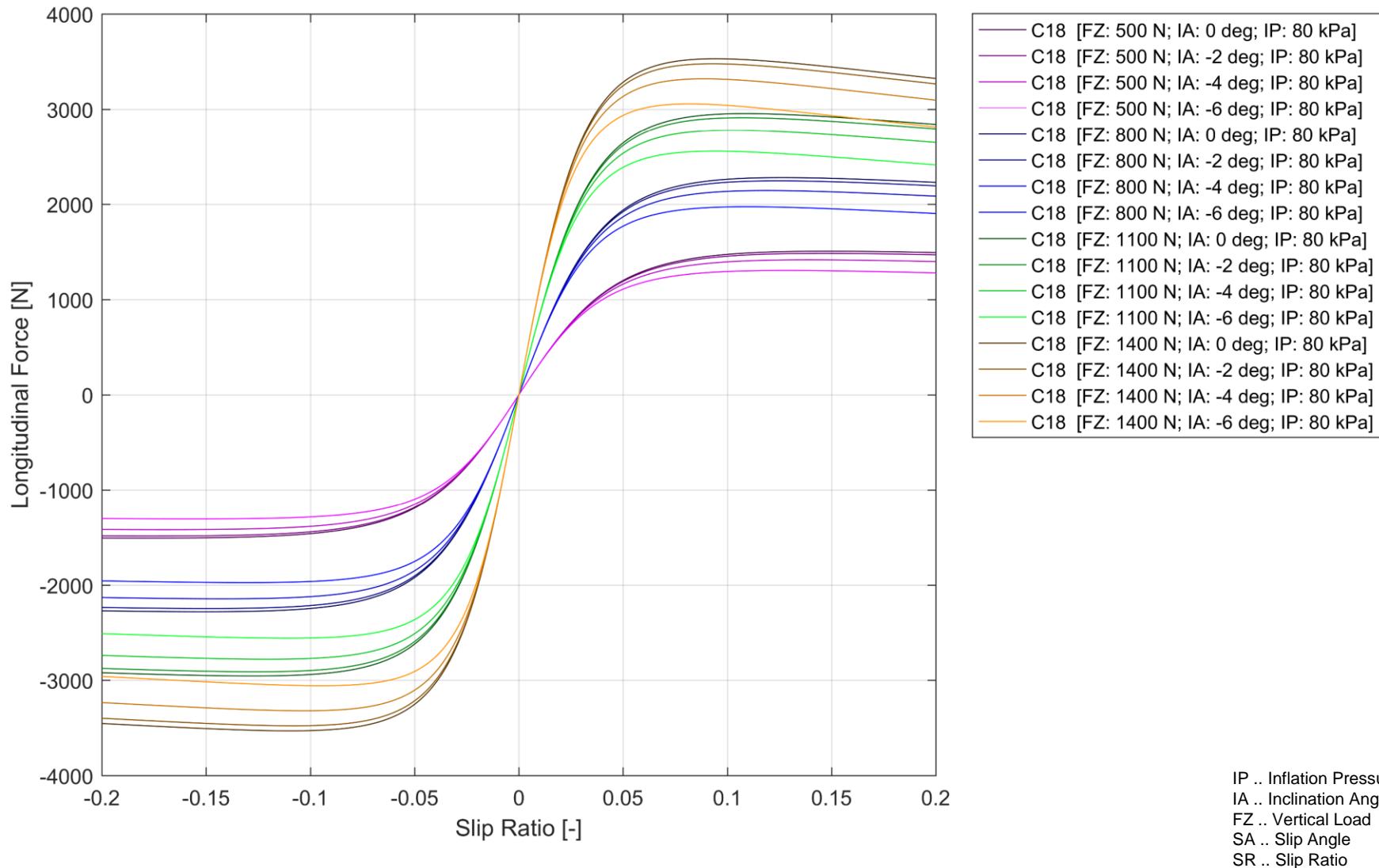
Instead, the longitudinal and combined model was designed based on experience and reference test data.

The model output for longitudinal and combined slip should be used with engineering judgement accordingly.

On the next pages, some model outputs for longitudinal and combined slip are shown.

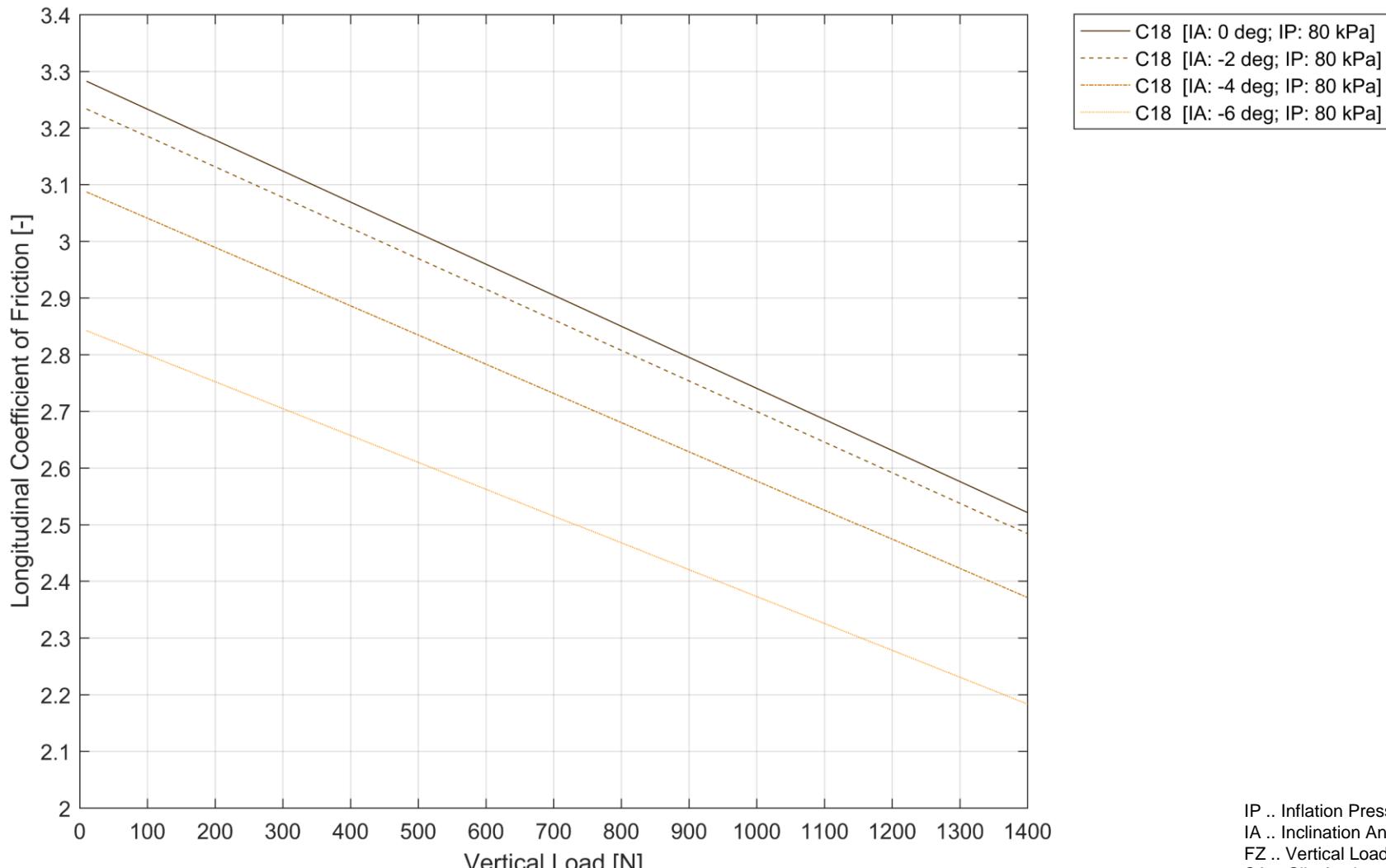
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Longitudinal Force



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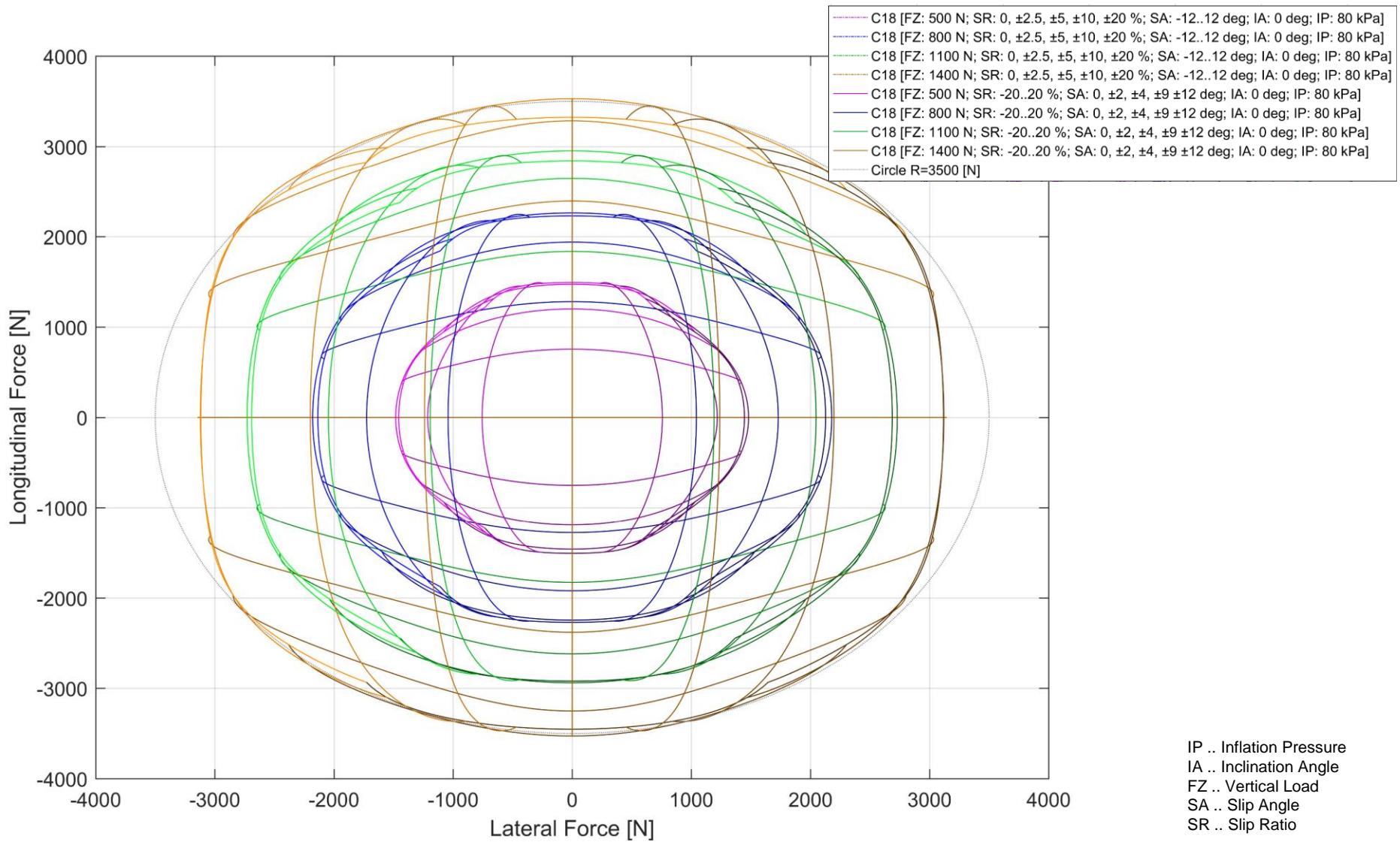
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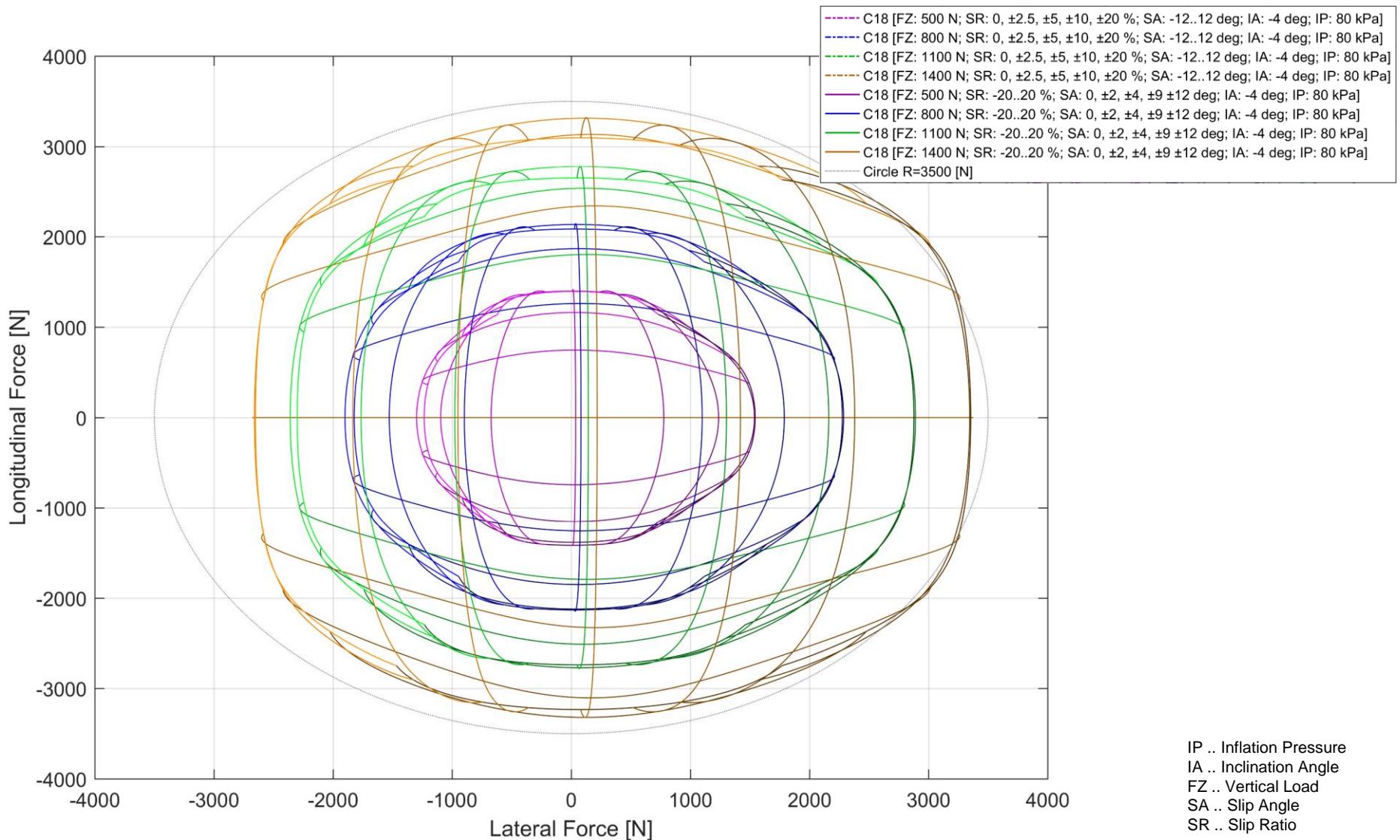
4.2 MF-Tyre 5.2 Plot – Combined Slip

Friction Ellipse



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Friction Ellipse



5.1 MF-Tyre 5.2 Model Guide – Model Limitations

The created tire model is valid within the given boundaries.

Parameter	min. Value	max. Value
Normal Load Range	230 N	1600 N
Long. Slip Range	-25 %	+25 %
Slip Angle Range	-12 °	+12 °
Inclination Angle Range	-6 °	+6 °

If needed, the boundaries can be edited in the *.tir-file.

It should be noted, that if the model parameters are increased beyond the boundaries the results can become unreasonable. Therefore, the model outputs should be checked carefully when leaving the given boundaries.

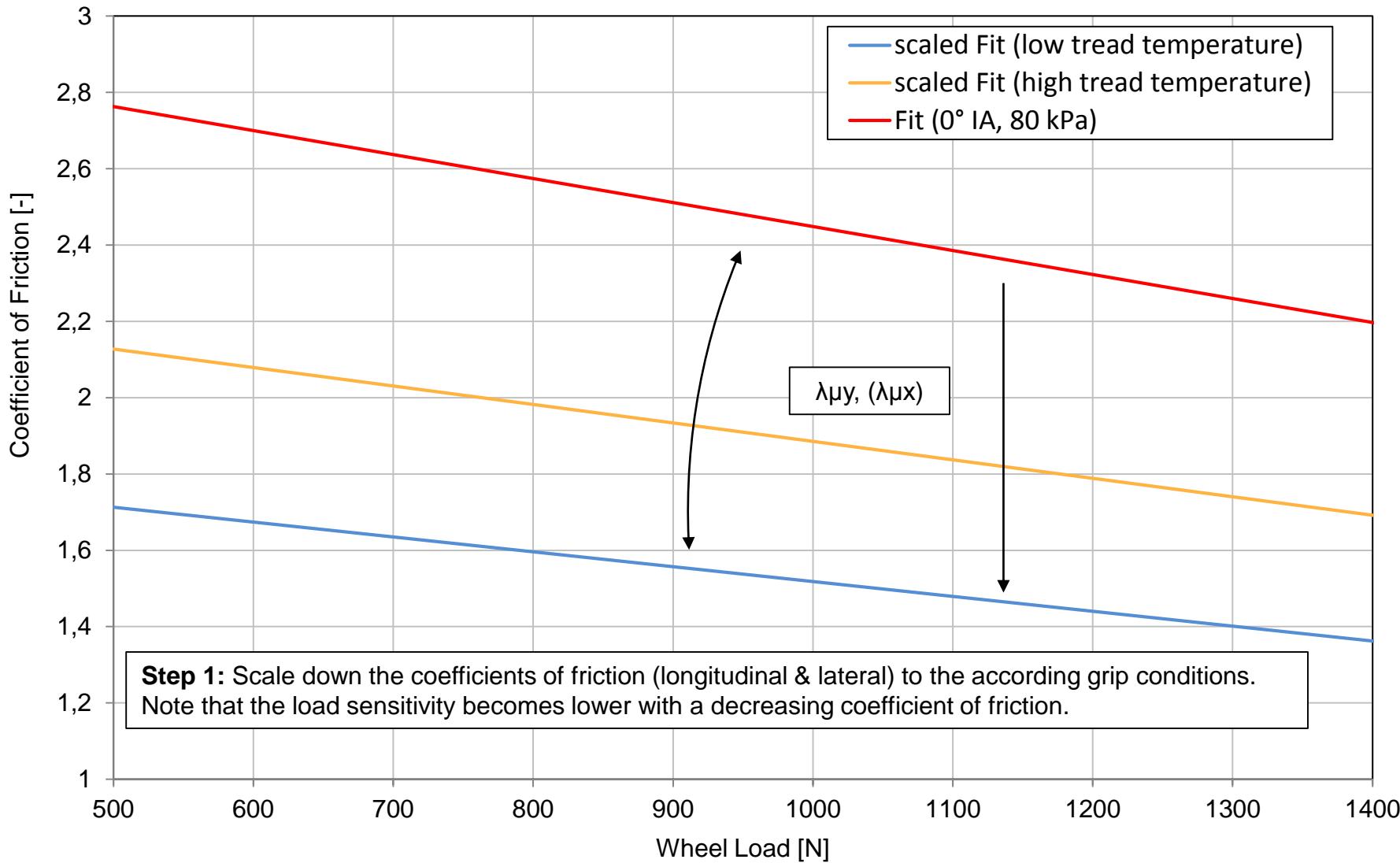
5.2 MF-Tyre 5.2 Model Guide – Model Scaling

Using the provided tire model for vehicle dynamic simulations, it is possible to investigate trends and analyze target conflicts to find preferred vehicle configurations for the different dynamic events.

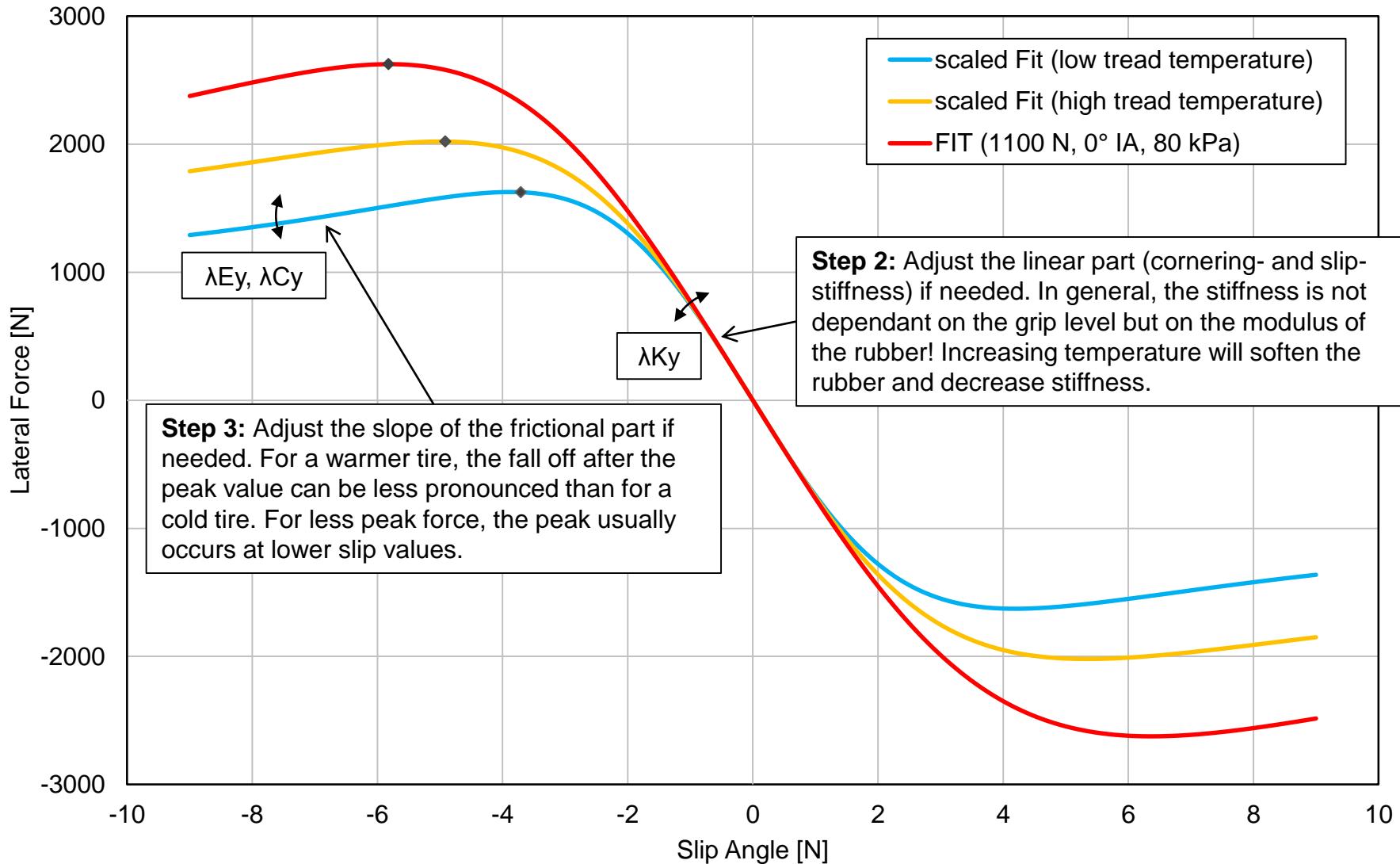
However, looking at the coefficients of friction it becomes obvious, that absolute assumptions have to be made very carefully. The tire grip on the Flat Trac is about 20% to 40% higher compared to typical Formula Student operating conditions. The differences in grip are mainly caused by the influences of the surface properties, i.e. micro- and macro-roughness as well as contaminations with dust, stones and other particles.

To have a more realistic simulation result, the tire model can be scaled down to appropriate grip conditions. Some explanations regarding the scaling of the model can be found on the following pages. Additionally, a set of exemplary scaling factors are provided as a starting point for further model scaling.

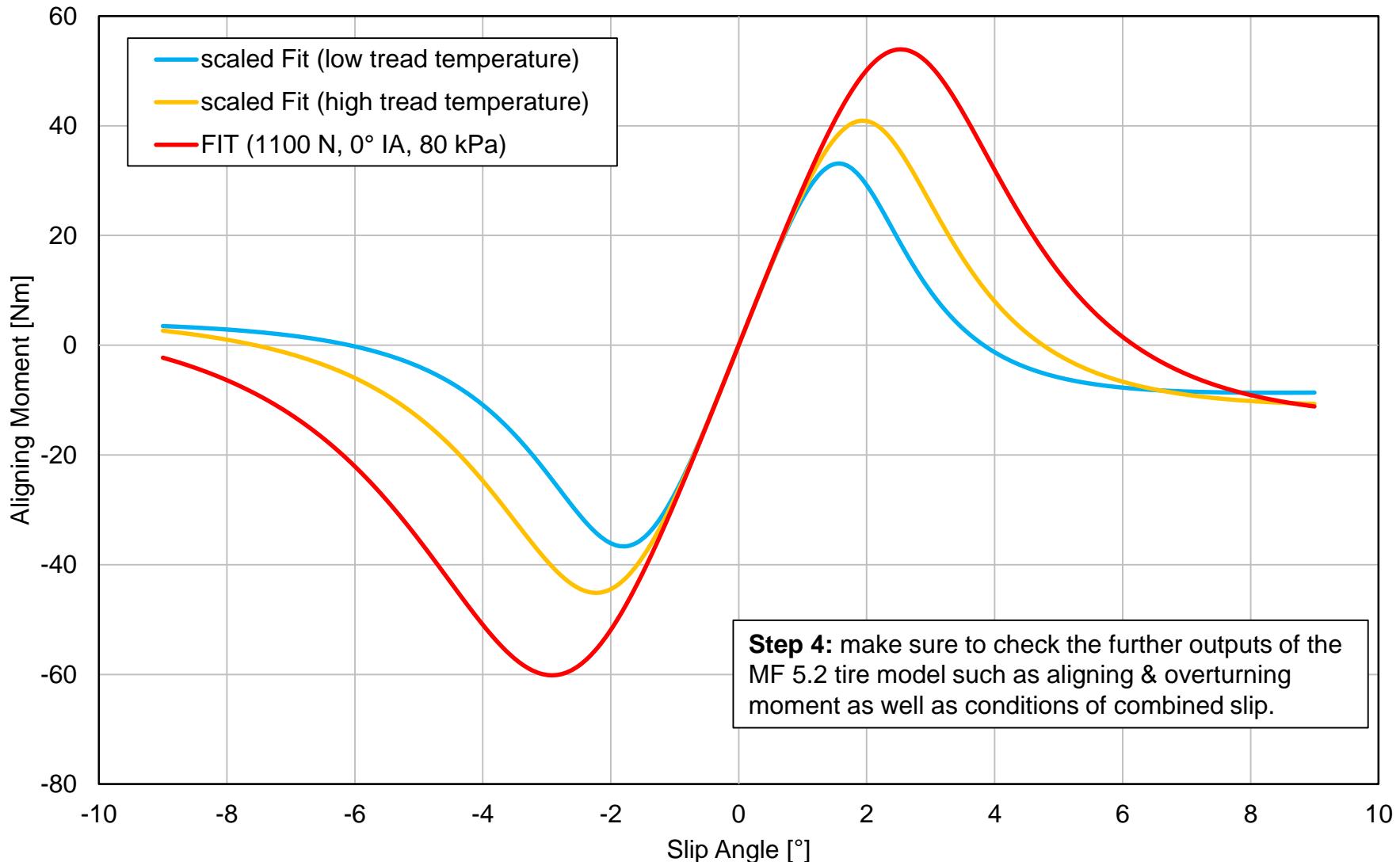
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5.3 MF-Tyre 5.2 Model Guide – Exemplary Scaling Factors

Exemplary Scaling Factors for Operating Tire Temperature

Name	Name used in tire property file	Standard Value	Exemplary Value	Explanation:
λF_{zo}	LFZO	1	1	Scale factor of nominal (rated) load
λC_x	LCX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x shape factor
$\lambda \mu_x$	LMUX	1	0.75	Scale factor of F_x peak friction coefficient
λE_x	LEX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x curvature factor
λK_x	LKX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x slip stiffness
λH_x	LHX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x horizontal shift
λV_x	LVX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x vertical shift
λy_x	LGAX	1	1	Scale factor of camber for F_x
λC_y	LCY	1	0.90	Scale factor of F_y shape factor
$\lambda \mu_y$	LMUY	1	0.75	Scale factor of F_y peak friction coefficient
λE_y	LEY	1	1	Scale factor of F_y curvature factor
λK_y	LKY	1	1	Scale factor of F_y cornering stiffness
λH_y	LHY	0	0	Scale factor of F_y horizontal shift
λV_y	LVY	0	0	Scale factor of F_y vertical shift
λy_y	LGAY	1	0.75	Scale factor of camber for F_y
λt	LTR	1	1	Scale factor of Peak of pneumatic trail
λM_r	LRES	0	0	Scale factor for offset of residual torque
$\lambda \gamma_z$	LGAZ	1	1	Scale factor of camber for M_z
λM_x	LMX	1	1	Scale factor of overturning couple
λvM_x	LVMX	0	0	Scale factor of M_x vertical shift
λM_y	LMY	1	1	Scale factor of rolling resistance torque
$\lambda \alpha$	LXAL	1	1.15	Scale factor of alpha influence on F_x
$\lambda \kappa$	LYKA	1	1.15	Scale factor of alpha influence on F_y
$\lambda V\kappa$	LVYKA	1	1	Scale factor of kappa induced F_y
λs	LS	1	1	Scale factor of Moment arm of F_x

5.3 MF-Tyre 5.2 Model Guide – Exemplary Scaling Factors

Exemplary Scaling Factors for low Tire Temperature

Name	Name used in tire property file	Standard Value	Exemplary Value	Explanation:
λF_{zo}	LFZO	1	1	Scale factor of nominal (rated) load
λC_x	LCX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x shape factor
$\lambda \mu_x$	LMUX	1	0.6	Scale factor of F_x peak friction coefficient
λE_x	LEX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x curvature factor
λK_x	LKX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x slip stiffness
λH_x	LHX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x horizontal shift
λV_x	LVX	1	1	Scale factor of F_x vertical shift
λy_x	LGAX	1	1	Scale factor of camber for F_x
λC_y	LCY	1	0.95	Scale factor of F_y shape factor
$\lambda \mu_y$	LMUY	1	0.6	Scale factor of F_y peak friction coefficient
λE_y	LEY	1	1	Scale factor of F_y curvature factor
λK_y	LKY	1	1.15	Scale factor of F_y cornering stiffness
λH_y	LHY	0	0	Scale factor of F_y horizontal shift
λV_y	LVY	0	0	Scale factor of F_y vertical shift
λy_y	LGAY	1	0.6	Scale factor of camber for F_y
λt	LTR	1	1	Scale factor of Peak of pneumatic trail
λM_r	LRES	0	0	Scale factor for offset of residual torque
$\lambda \gamma_z$	LGAZ	1	1	Scale factor of camber for M_z
λM_x	LMX	1	1	Scale factor of overturning couple
λvM_x	LVMX	0	0	Scale factor of M_x vertical shift
λM_y	LMY	1	1	Scale factor of rolling resistance torque
$\lambda \alpha$	LXAL	1	1.3	Scale factor of alpha influence on F_x
$\lambda \kappa$	LYKA	1	1.3	Scale factor of alpha influence on F_y
$\lambda V\kappa$	LVYKA	1	1	Scale factor of kappa induced F_y
λs	LS	1	1	Scale factor of Moment arm of F_x

6. Inflation Pressure Guide

For good performance of the tire, the footprint should be large while the contact pressure distribution should be as homogeneous as possible. To achieve this, the right inflation pressure for the right application is crucial. In general, less inflation pressure gives a larger contact area, but increases tire deformation. Low inflation pressures can be of benefit for the longitudinal performance, i.e. in the acceleration event, but decrease the lateral performance of the car in terms of grip and handling.

The inflation pressure guide aims to provide a range of appropriate inflation pressures regarding the actual tire load (dynamically loaded tire) and application.

Explanations:

x-axis (Normal Load): the dynamic tire load for the condition of interest
(static load + load transfer from longitudinal / lateral acceleration + aerodynamic load)

y-axis (Inflation Pressure):

lat. performance zone: recommended range for cornering performance

long. performance zone: recommended range for drive/brake performance

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