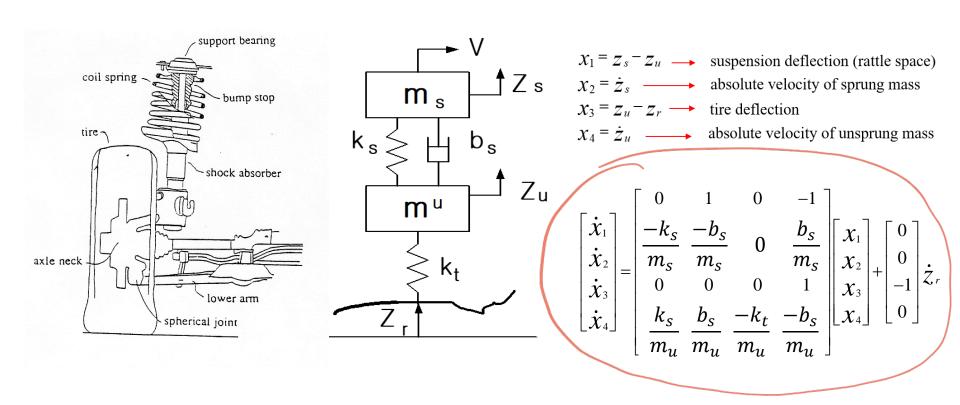
Equation of motion for vehicle ride comfort 2

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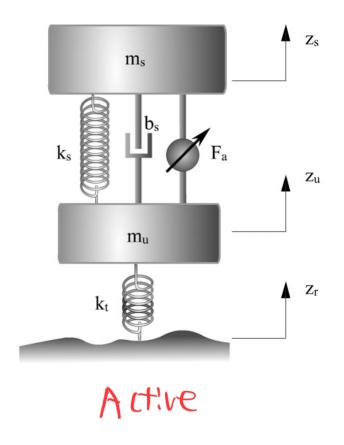
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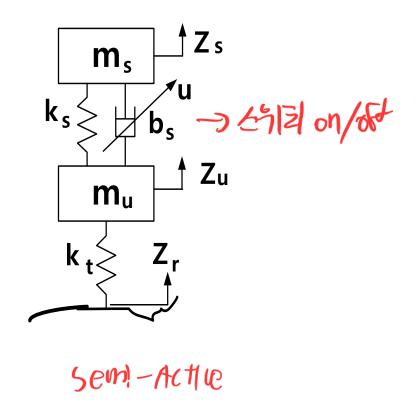
- Suspension system components and dynamics
- Passive suspension effects: Spring, Damper and Tire.



Today's Topic: Vehicle Suspension Control

- Active Suspension Feedback Control Model
- Semi-Active Suspension Feedback Control Model





Active Suspension System (Revisited)

Ex 2: Active suspensions of BMW and Benz



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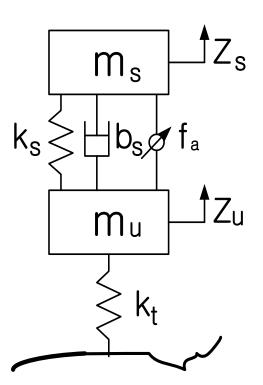


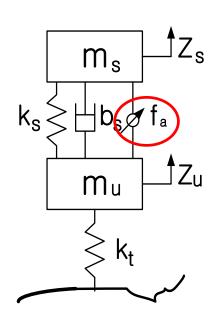
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Suspension Control System

❖ PERFORMANCE INDICES FOR ADVANCED SUSPENSION DESIGN

- 1. Ride Quality
- 2. Rattle Space
- 3. Tire Force Variations
- 4. Actuator Size
- 5. Power Consumption
- 6. Component Failure
- 7. Road Damage





Equation of Motion:

actuater

$$m_s \ddot{z}_s = -k_s (z_s - z_u) - b_s (\dot{z}_s - \dot{z}_u) + f_a$$

$$m_u \ddot{z}_u = k_s (z_s - z_u) + b_s (\dot{z}_s - \dot{z}_u) + k_t (z_r - z_u) - f_a$$

❖ The state variables:

$$\chi_1 = \chi_s - \chi_u \longrightarrow$$
 suspension deflection (rattle space)

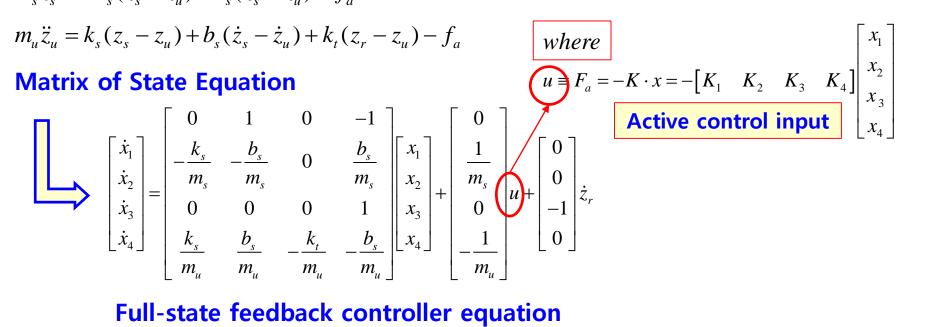
$$\chi_2 = \dot{\chi}_s$$
 absolute velocity of sprung mass

$$\chi_3 = \chi_u - \chi_r \longrightarrow \text{tire deflection}$$

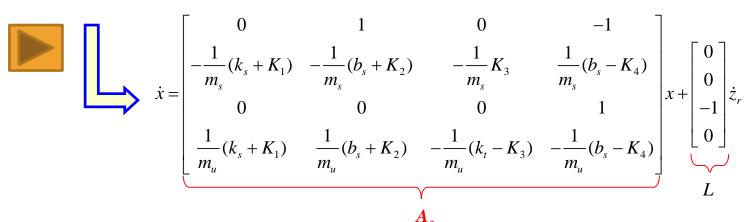
$$\chi_4 = \dot{\chi}_u$$
 absolute velocity of unsprung mass

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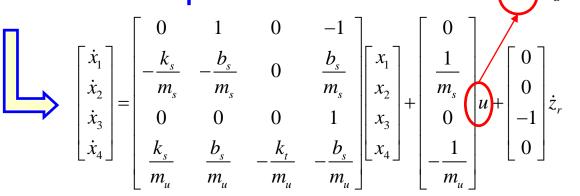
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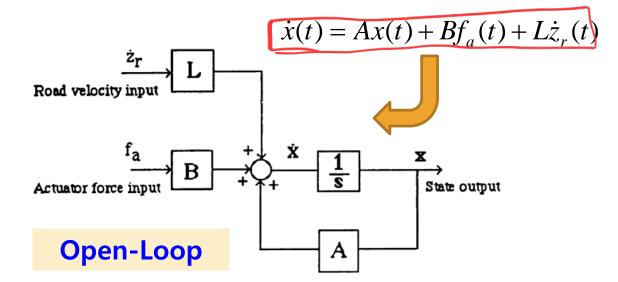


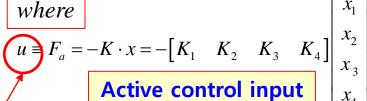
Full-state feedback controller equation

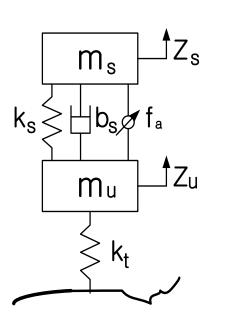












Full-state feedback controller equation comes to

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -\frac{1}{m_s}(k_s + K_1) & -\frac{1}{m_s}(b_s + K_2) & -\frac{1}{m_s}K_3 & \frac{1}{m_s}(b_s - K_4) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{m_u}(k_s + K_1) & \frac{1}{m_u}(b_s + K_2) & -\frac{1}{m_u}(k_t - K_3) & -\frac{1}{m_u}(b_s - K_4) \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \dot{z}_r$$
for exmaple,
$$y(t) = Cx(t)$$

$$= \dot{z}_s(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ x_3(t) \\ x_4(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\dot{x}(t) = A_c x(t) + L u(t)}{y(t) = C x(t)}$$
 State equation (First-order matrix differential eq.)

$$\dot{x}(t) = A_c x(t) + Lu(t)$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t)$$
State equation (First-order matrix differential eq.)

$$SX(s) = A_c X(s) + LU(s)$$

$$Y(s) = CX(s)$$

$$X(s) = A_c X(s) + LU(s)$$

$$Y(s) = CX(s)$$

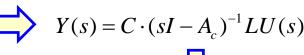
$$X(s) = (sI - A_c)^{-1} LU(s)$$

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With active suspension controller, system dynamics can be adjusted to reduce disturbance

(e.g., road roughness) effects!

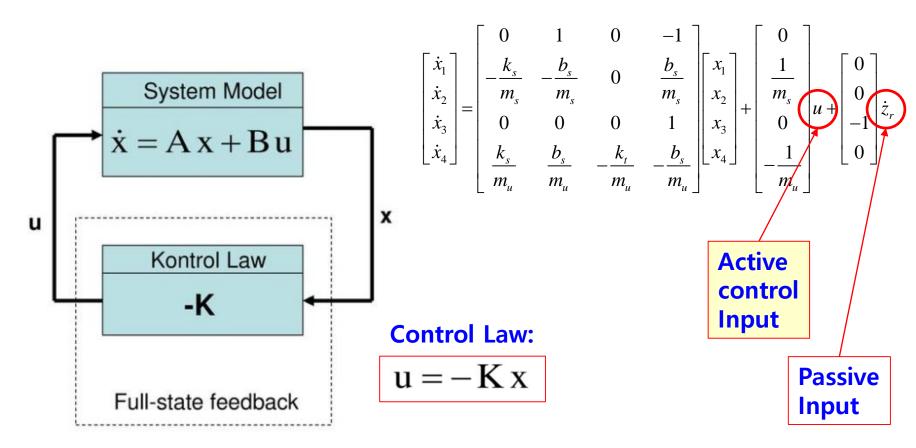


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$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = C \cdot (sI - A_c)^{-1}L$$

Full-State Feedback Controller Design

Full-state feedback block diagram (without no reference input)



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Full-State Feedback Controller Design

Full-state feedback block diagram (with no reference input)

With the system defined by the state variable model

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

and the control feedback given by

$$u = -Kx$$

we find the closed-loop system to be

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A} \, \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B} \, \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{A} \, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{B} \, \mathbf{K} \, \mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} \, \mathbf{K}] \mathbf{x}$$

The characteristic equation associated with above equation is

$$\det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - [\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} \, \mathbf{K}]) = 0$$

If all the roots of the characteristic equation lie in the left-half plain, then the closed loop is stable. In other words, for any initial condition $x(t_0)$, it follows that

$$x(t) = e^{(A-BK)t}x(t_0) \rightarrow 0$$
 as $t \rightarrow \infty$

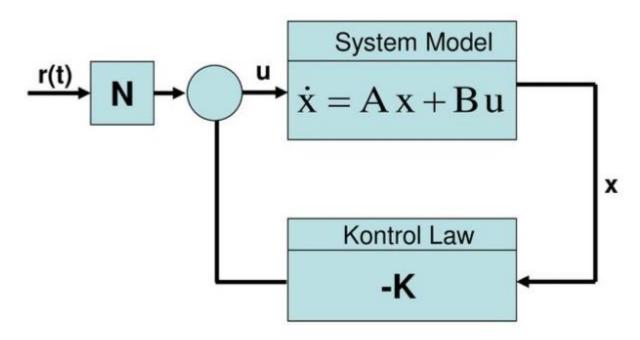
Given the pair (A,B), we can always determine K to place all the system closed loop poles in the left half-plane if and only if the system is completely controllable-that is, if and only if the controllability matrix P_C is full rank (for a SISO system, full rank implies that P_C is invertible).

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Full-State Feedback Controller Design

Full-state feedback block diagram (with reference input)

$$u(t) = -Kx(t) + Nr(t)$$





Transfer functions: Active vs. Passive

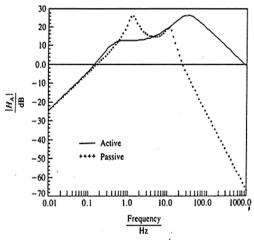


Fig. 3a Acceleration transfer functions

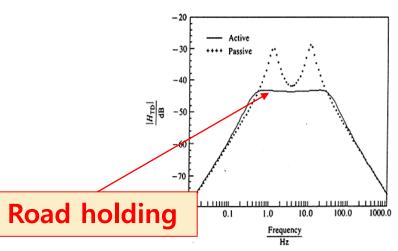


Fig. 3b Tyre deflection transfer functions

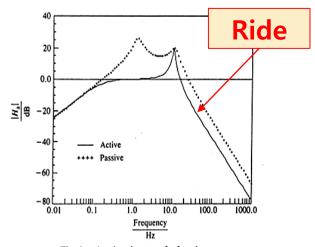


Fig. 4a Acceleration transfer functions

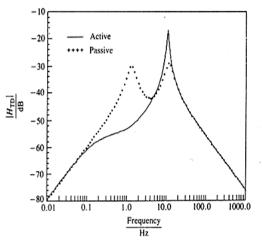


Fig. 4b Tyre deflection transfer functions

Transfer functions: Active vs. Passive (cont'd)

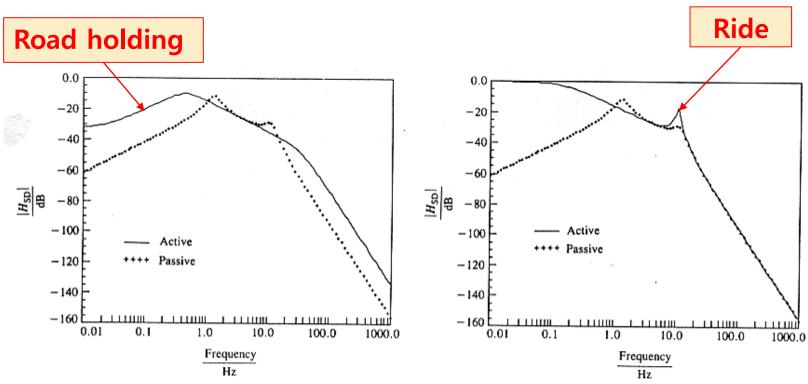


Fig. 6 Suspension deflection transfer functions

Fig. 8 Suspension deflection transfer functions

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Active Suspension: Transfer Functions

a) Acceleration transfer function

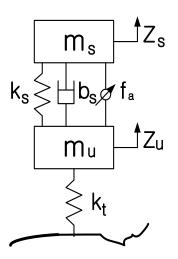
$$H_A(s) = \frac{\ddot{z}_s(s)}{\dot{z}_r(s)}$$

b) Rattle Space transfer function

$$H_{RS}(s) = \frac{z_s(s) - z_u(s)}{\dot{z}_r(s)}$$

c) Tire deflection transfer function

$$H_{TD}(s) = \frac{z_u(s) - z_r(s)}{\dot{z}_r(s)}$$



$$x_1 = z_s - z_u$$
 suspension deflection (rattle space)
 $x_2 = \dot{z}_s$ absolute velocity of sprung mass
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Active Suspension: LQR control design

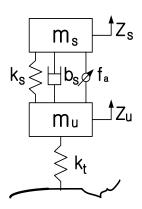
Consider the following plant

Linear Quadratic Regulator (LQR)

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B_1 d + B_2 u$$
 $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, B_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n, B_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$z = C_1 x + D_{12} u$$
 $C_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, D_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$

where $d \in R$ is a disturbance input,



In the LQR problem, the controller is to be designed so that the following performance index (variable) is minimized:

$$x_1 = z_s - z_u$$
 suspension deflection (rattle space)
 $x_2 = \dot{z}_s$ absolute velocity of sprung mass
 $x_3 = z_u - z_r$ tire deflection
 $x_4 = \dot{z}_u$ absolute velocity of unsprung mass

$$J = \int_{0}^{\infty} z^{T} z dt = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[x^{T} C_{1}^{T} C_{1} x + 2x^{T} C_{1}^{T} D_{12} u + u^{T} D_{12}^{T} D_{12} u \right] dt$$

for all initial conditions $x_0 = x(0)$.

 $\chi_2 = \dot{z}_s$ absolute velocity of sprung mass

 $X_1 = Z_s - Z_u$ — suspension deflection (rattle space)

 $\chi_3 = Z_u - Z_r \longrightarrow$ tire deflection

absolute velocity of unsprung mass

LQR formulation for active suspension design

Define the following quadratic (squared) performance index.

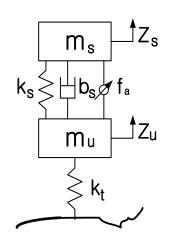
$$J = \left[\int_{0}^{\infty} \ddot{z}_{s}^{2} + \rho_{1}(z_{s} - z_{u})^{2} + \rho_{2}\dot{z}_{s}^{2} + \rho_{3}(z_{u} - z_{r})^{2} + \rho_{4}\dot{z}_{u}^{2}dt \right]$$
where the weighting factors ρ_{1} , ρ_{2} , ρ_{3} and ρ_{4}

$$J = \int_{0}^{\infty} z^{T}zdt = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[x^{T}C_{1}^{T}C_{1}x + 2x^{T}C_{1}^{T}D_{12}u + u^{T}D_{12}^{T}D_{12}u \right]dt$$

$$J = \int_{0}^{\infty} z^{T} z dt = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[x^{T} C_{1}^{T} C_{1} x + 2x^{T} C_{1}^{T} D_{12} u + u^{T} D_{12}^{T} D_{12} u \right] dt$$

Then, we interest in the acceleration of sprung mass,

$$\ddot{z}_s^2 = \frac{1}{m_s^2} [k_s^2 x_1^2 + b_s^2 x_2^2 + b_s^2 x_4^2 + F_a^2 + 2k_s b_s x_1 x_2 - 2k_s b_s x_1 x_4 - 2b_s^2 x_2 x_4 - 2k_s x_1 F_a - 2b_s x_2 F_a + 2b_s x_4 F_a]$$



 $X_1 = Z_s - Z_u$ — suspension deflection (rattle space) $\chi_2 = \dot{z}_s$ absolute velocity of sprung mass

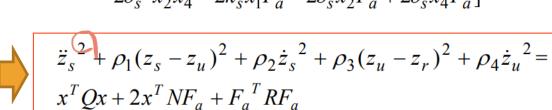
 $\chi_3 = Z_u - Z_r \longrightarrow \text{tire deflection}$

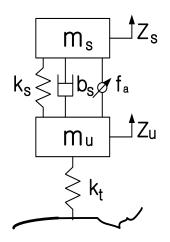
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LQR formulation for active suspension design

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where

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{k_s^2}{m_s^2} + \rho_1 & \frac{b_s k_s}{m_s^2} & 0 & -\frac{b_s k_s}{m_s^2} \\ \frac{b_s k_s}{m_s^2} & \frac{b_s^2}{m_s^2} + \rho_2 & 0 & -\frac{b_s^2}{m_s^2} \\ 0 & 0 & \rho_3 & 0 \\ -\frac{b_s k_s}{m_s^2} & -\frac{b_s^2}{m_s^2} & 0 & \frac{b_s^2}{m_s^2} + \rho_4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad N = \begin{cases} -\frac{k_s}{m_s^2} \\ -\frac{b_s}{m_s^2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{b_s}{m_s^2} \end{cases}$$
 and

$$R = \frac{1}{m_s^2} .$$

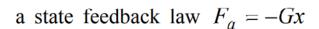
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❖ LQR formulation for active suspension design

The performance index is then written as

$$J = \left[\int_{0}^{\infty} \left(x^{T} Q x + 2x^{T} N u + u^{T} R u \right) dt \right]$$

Then, the solution to the optimal control problem that minimizes this performance index is

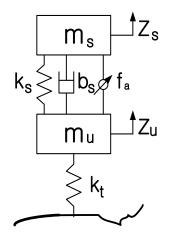


where the feedback gain G is determined by solving the following Riccati equation

$$(A - BR^{-1}N)^{T}P + P(A - BR^{-1}N) + (Q - N^{T}R^{-1}N) - PBR^{-1}B^{T}P = 0$$
(11.16)

$$G = R^{-1} \left(B^T P + N \right) \tag{11.17}$$

https://www.mathworks.com/help/control/ref/lqr.html



lqr

Linear-Quadratic Regulator (LQR) design

Syntax

[K,S,e] = lqr(SYS,Q,R,N)[K,S,e] = LQR(A,B,Q,R,N)



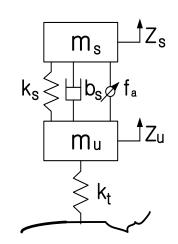
LQR formulation for active suspension design

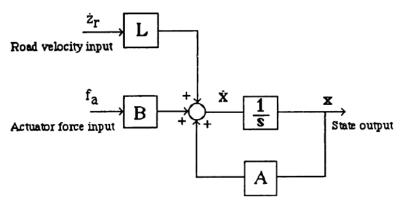
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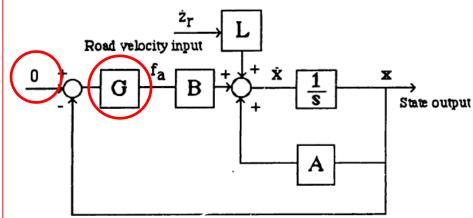
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(11.17)

Open-Loop

Closed-Loop

- Simulation Parameters: LQR formulation for active suspension design
 - Numerical values

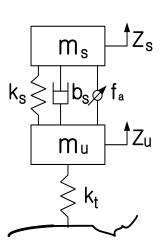
$$m_s = 240kg$$
, $k_s = 16,000N/m$, $b_s = 980N \sec/m$
 $m_u = 36kg$, $k_t = 1,600,000N/m$

Road roughness : slope variance = 22×10^{-6}

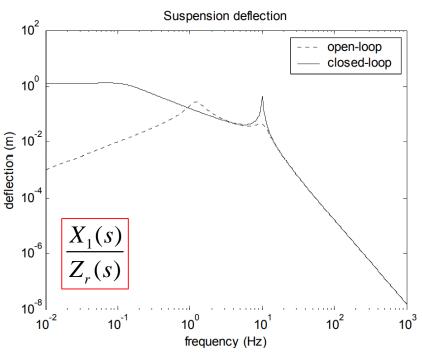


sprung mass mode: $\omega_n = 1.255 \text{ Hz } \zeta = 0.22$

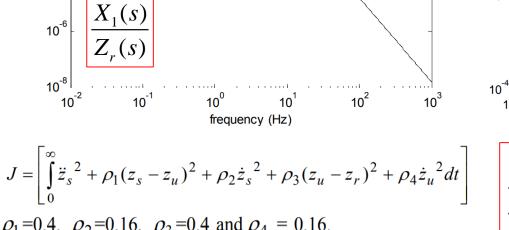
unsprung mass mode: $\omega_n = 11.0 \text{ Hz } \zeta = 0.20$

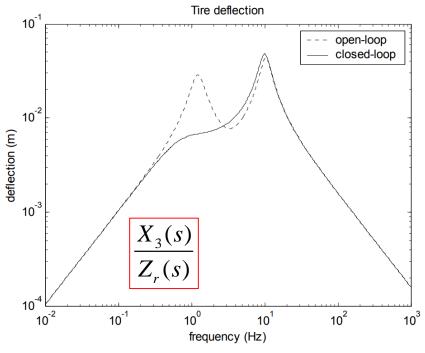


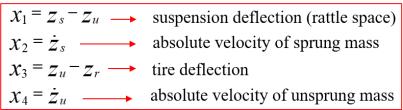
Simulation Result: LQR formulation for active suspension design



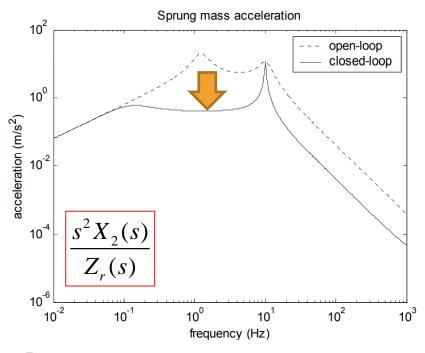
 $\rho_1 = 0.4$, $\rho_2 = 0.16$, $\rho_3 = 0.4$ and $\rho_4 = 0.16$.







Simulation Result: LQR formulation for active suspension design



Important Findings:

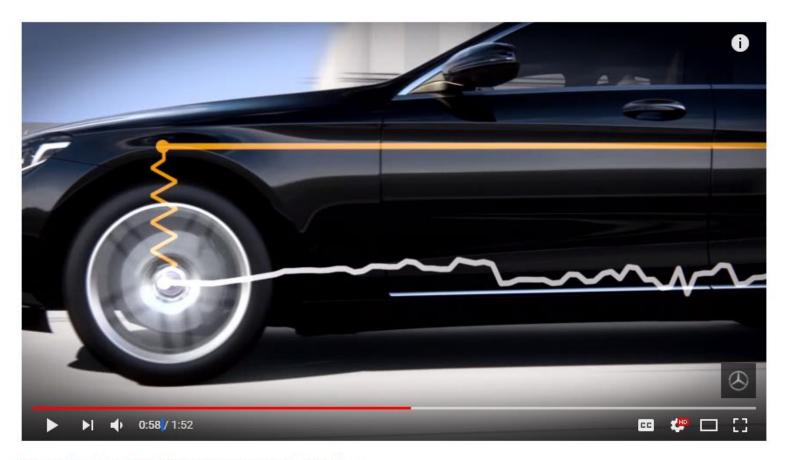
- With active suspension, sprung mass acceleration dramatically becomes smaller than original one.
- But, resonance peak at the eigenvalues of suspension system.
- Then, how to reduce this one?

$$J = \left[\int_{0}^{\infty} \ddot{z}_{s}^{2} + \rho_{1}(z_{s} - z_{u})^{2} + \rho_{2}\dot{z}_{s}^{2} + \rho_{3}(z_{u} - z_{r})^{2} + \rho_{4}\dot{z}_{u}^{2}dt \right]$$

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Active Suspension Control System



Mercedes-Benz MAGIC BODY CONTROL | S-Class

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Design of Semi-active Suspensions

1. Damping Control

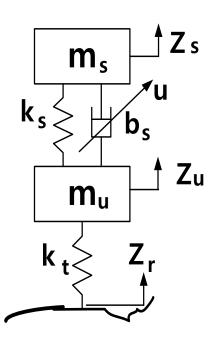
Control Laws?

2. Semi-active Dampers

- Min. & Max. Damping Rate?
- Continuous or Multi-state?
- How many Steps?
- How fast? (actuator dynamics)

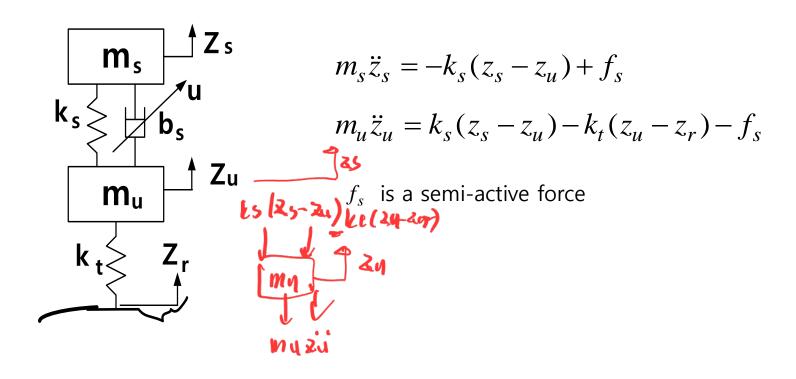
3. Performance Potential

How much improvement?



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Dynamic Model with Semi-active Dampers



State Variables

 $x_1 = z_s - z_u$: Suspension Deflection

 $x_2 = \dot{z}_s$: Sprung Mass Velocity

 $x_3 = z_u - z_r$: Tire Deflection

 $x_4 = \dot{z}_u$: Unsprung Mass Velocity

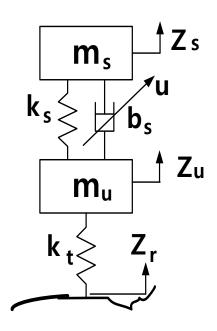
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$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bf_s + F\dot{z}_r$$

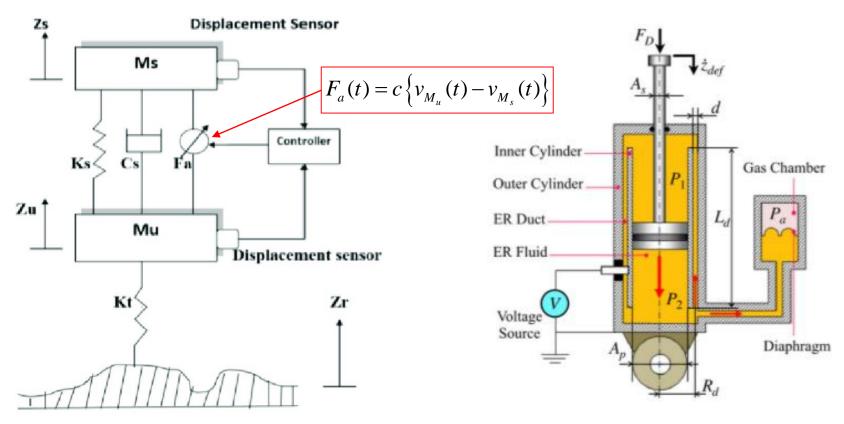
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -\frac{k_s}{m_s} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \frac{k_s}{m_u} & 0 & -\frac{k_t}{m_u} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{m_s} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{m_u} \end{bmatrix} \qquad F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Semi-active Suspension Control System Structure



https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Quarter-Semi-active-suspension-system-4-From-fig-1-following-equation-has-concluded_fig1_327949153

https://www.mdpi.com/2073-8994/12/8/1286

Bilinear Model Approach

The semi-active force: Based on unspring mass velocity

$$f_s = f_s(x_2 - x_4, \upsilon)$$
$$= \upsilon(x_2 - x_4)$$

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$$f_{s} = f_{s}(x_{2} - x_{4}, \upsilon) \qquad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -\frac{k_{s}}{m_{s}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \frac{k_{s}}{m_{u}} & 0 & -\frac{k_{t}}{m_{u}} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Bilinear state equation by sensing velocity:

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bf_s + F\dot{z}_r$$



$$\dot{x} = Ax + Dx \upsilon + F\dot{z}_r$$

Filinear state equation by sensing velocity:
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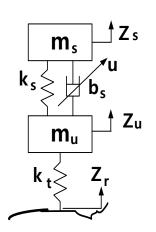
$$\dot{x} = Ax + Dxv + F\dot{z}_r$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{m_s} & 0 & \frac{1}{m_s} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{m_u} & 0 & -\frac{1}{m_u} \end{bmatrix}$$

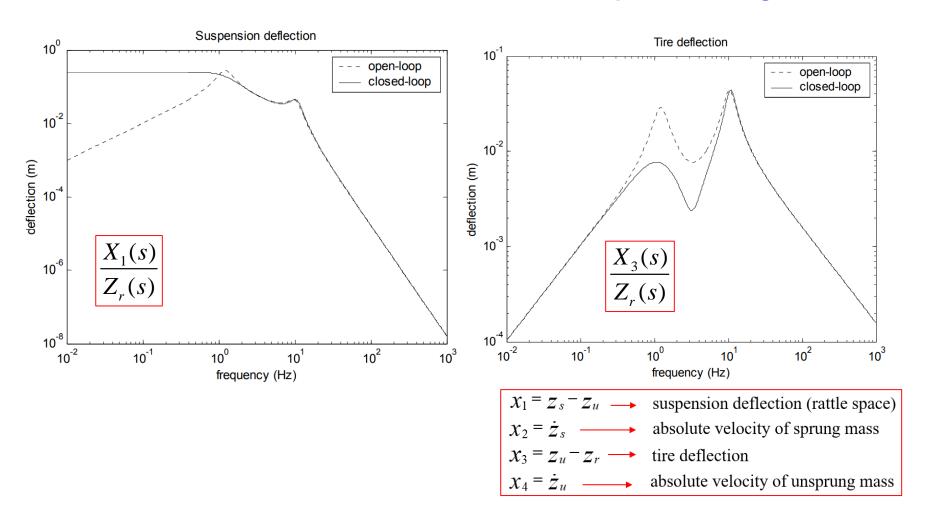
A reasonable and very effective control law:

$$\upsilon(t) = \begin{cases} \upsilon_{\min} & if & \upsilon^*(t) \le \upsilon_{\min} \\ \upsilon^*(t) & if & \upsilon_{\min} < \upsilon^*(t) < \upsilon_{\max} \\ \upsilon_{\max} & if & \upsilon_{\max} \le \upsilon^*(t) \end{cases}$$

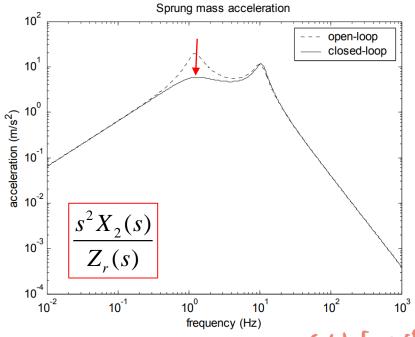
$$\upsilon^*(t) = \frac{f_{s,des}}{(\dot{z}_s - \dot{z}_u)}$$



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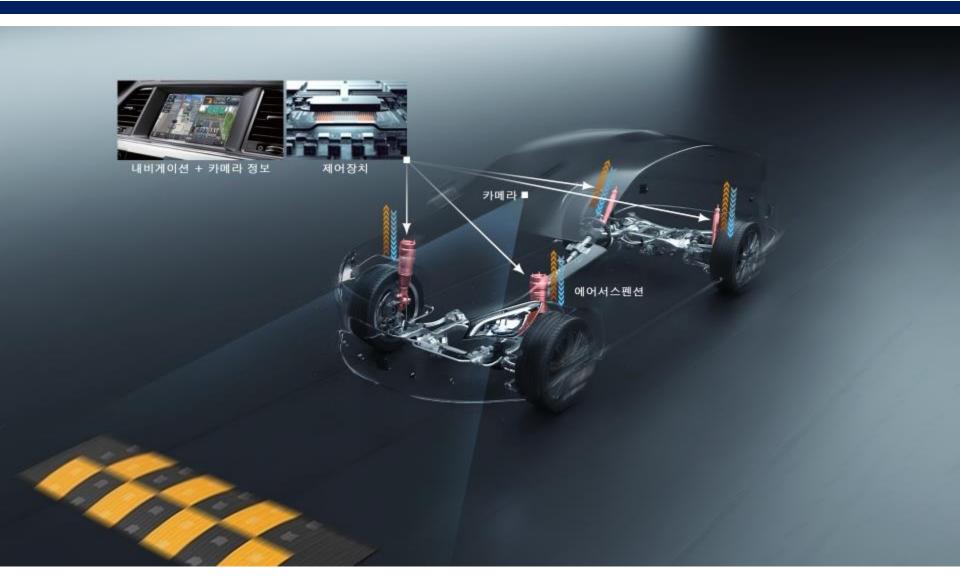


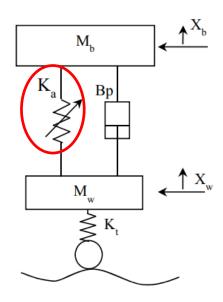
- With semi-active suspension, sprung mass acceleration becomes smaller than original one.
- But, not that much better than active suspension. Why?

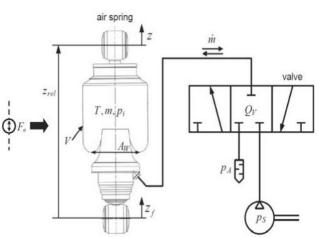
$$J = \begin{bmatrix} \int_{0}^{\infty} \ddot{z}_{s}^{2} + \rho_{1}(z_{s} - z_{u})^{2} + \rho_{2}\dot{z}_{s}^{2} + \rho_{3}(z_{u} - z_{r})^{2} + \rho_{4}\dot{z}_{u}^{2}dt \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rho_{1} = 0.4, \ \rho_{2} = 0.16, \ \rho_{3} = 0.4 \text{ and } \rho_{4} = 0.16.$$

$$x_1 = z_s - z_u$$
 suspension deflection (rattle space)
 $x_2 = \dot{z}_s$ absolute velocity of sprung mass
 $x_3 = z_u - z_r$ tire deflection
 $x_4 = \dot{z}_u$ absolute velocity of unsprung mass







Mathematical model with linear force spring

$$M_b \ddot{x}_b = -C(\dot{x}_b - \dot{x}_w) - K(x_b - x_w)$$

$$M_w \ddot{x}_w = -C(\dot{x}_w - \dot{x}_b) - K(x_w - x_b)$$

$$-K_t(x_w - r)$$

Mathematical model with air-spring

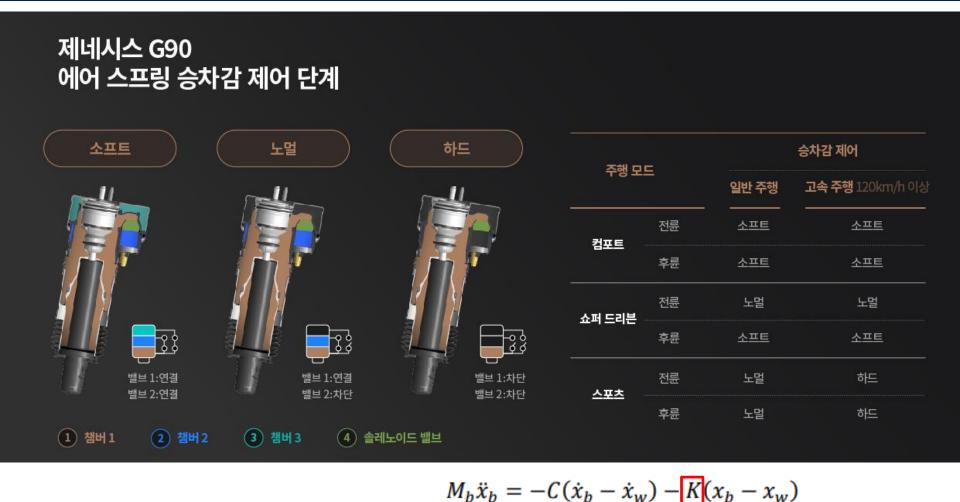
$$M_{b}\ddot{x}_{b} = -C(\dot{x}_{b} - \dot{x}_{w}) - K((x_{b} - h_{b}) - (x_{w} - h_{w}))$$

$$-M_{b}g + u_{c}$$

$$M_{w}\ddot{x}_{w} = -K(\dot{x}_{w} - \dot{x}_{b}) - K((x_{w} - h_{w}) - (x_{b} - h_{b}))$$

$$-K_{t}((x_{w} - h_{w}) - r) - u_{c}$$

Ref: A. Kazemini et al., IMPROVING CONTROL MECHANISM OF AN ACTIVE AIR-SUSPENSION SYSTEM, May 2014, Conference: Automotive Technologies Congress



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