

# Energy Usage and Tire Usage in Electric Vehicles with In-Wheel Motors

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# In-Wheel Motors (IWMs) and Battery Electric Vehicles (BEVs)

In-Wheel Motor (Motor seats inside the hub of a wheel)



- Mostly electronically commutated motors so-called **BLDC motors**, or **PMSMs**.
- Manufacturer: NTN, PROTEAN, ELAPHE, AVID, MAGNAX
- Axial flux IWMs: → Significantly higher torque and power densities

BEVs with single motor or one or multiple IWMs

Bikes



1 & 2 IWMs



Microcars



Mid-size cars



Full-size cars



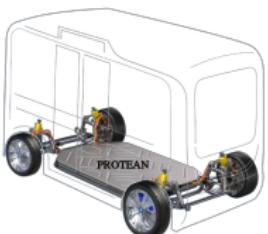
Buses



Single motor drive (SMD)

2 & 4 IWMs [2WID & 4WID]

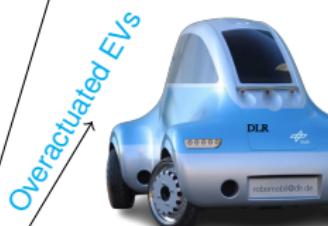
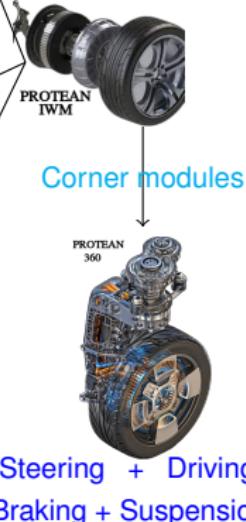
# IWMS: Advantages and Challenges



- Free up space inside EVs
- Better battery packaging

Challenges

- High unprung mass
- Software complexities
- Prone to damage
- Expensive



- Ease in manufacturing.
- Simplify assembly, repair, and maintenance processes

## Aim of the Thesis

### Aim - 1

Battery Electric  
Vehicles (**BEVs**)

- Mostly belong to **FIVE** types
- Lie in a **Wide Power** interval
- Use **Single, or One or Multiple IWMs**

- Need to investigate these **BEVs** from Energy Usage Perspective.

### Aim - 2

In-Wheel Motors  
(**IWMs**)

- Allows make **overactuated EVs** having a potential to achieve **Optimal Tire Usage (OTU)**.

- Need to investigate **overactuated EVs** from Tire Usage Perspective.

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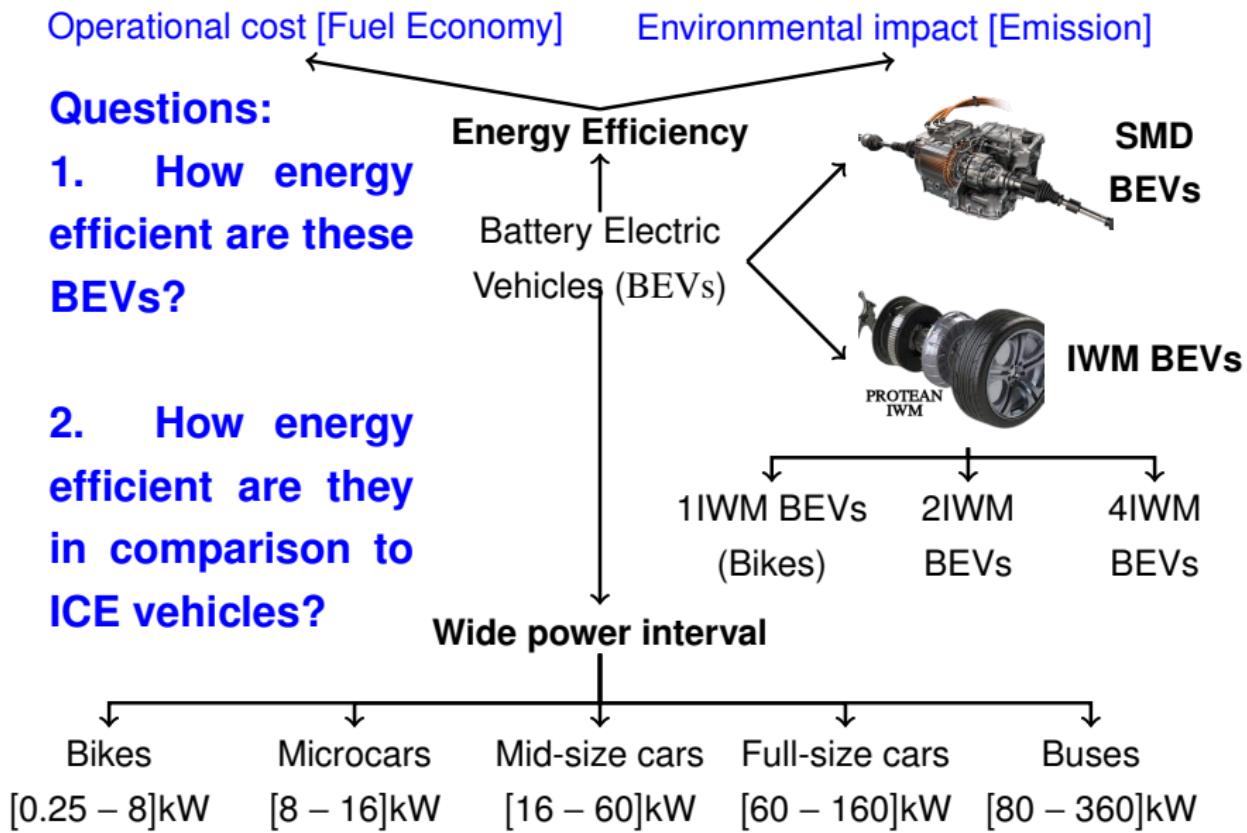
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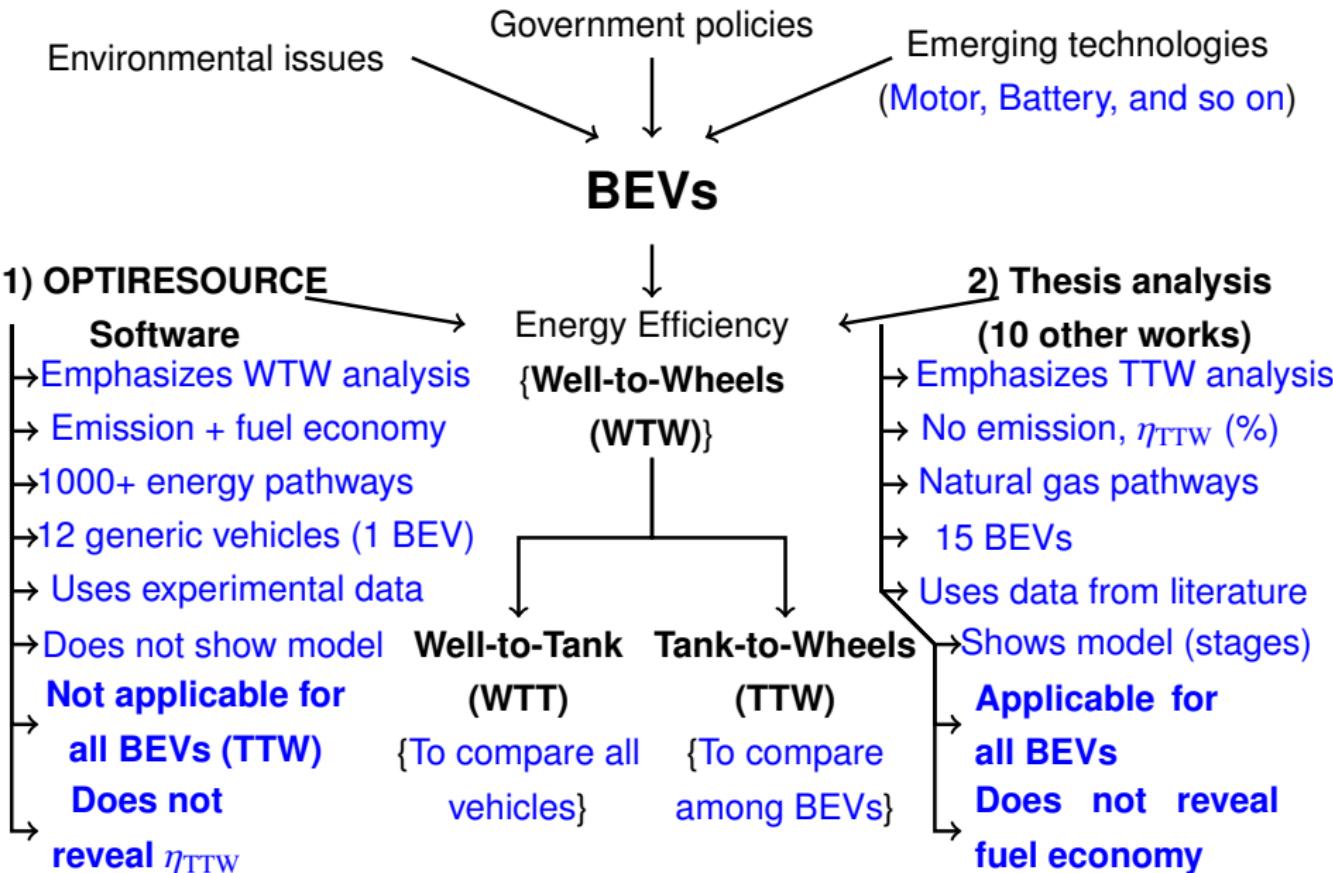
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# Motivation and Problem Formulation



# Why and How?



## Literature Review

The existing works → Energy efficiency of BEVs → Involves energy consuming stages.

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]

- A generic, or Nissan Leaf, Peugeot Ion, Tesla Roadster
- Mid-size or full-size cars
- Non-IWM BEVs, except one work.
- Variety in number of stages.
- Variety in operating conditions, for example, **drive cycles**.

Unanswered questions?

- Q1: What is TTW energy efficiency ( $\eta_{TTW}$ ) of IWM BEVs of different values of power?
- Q2:  $\eta_{TTW}^{IWM}(\text{BEVs}) > \text{or } < \eta_{TTW}^{\text{SMD}}(\text{BEVs})$  at various values of power?
- Q3: Trends of  $\eta_{TTW}^{IWM}(\text{BEVs})$  and  $\eta_{TTW}^{\text{SMD}}(\text{BEVs})$  depending on vehicle power?
- Q4:  $\eta_{TTW}^{4\text{WID}} : \eta_{TTW}^{2\text{WID}} : \eta_{TTW}^{\text{SMD}}$  at each values of power and by how much?

### The need:

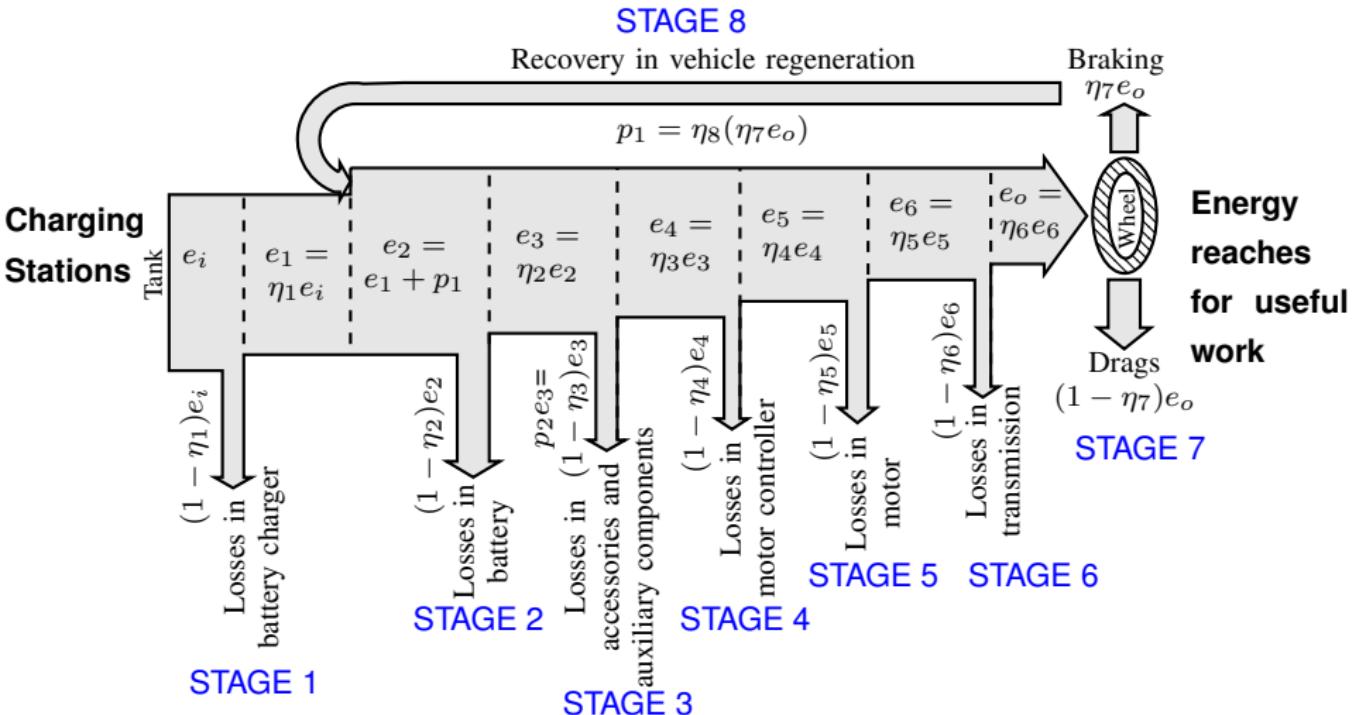
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### Answer:

1. A graph of  $\eta_{TTW}$  of BEVs vs. their powers.

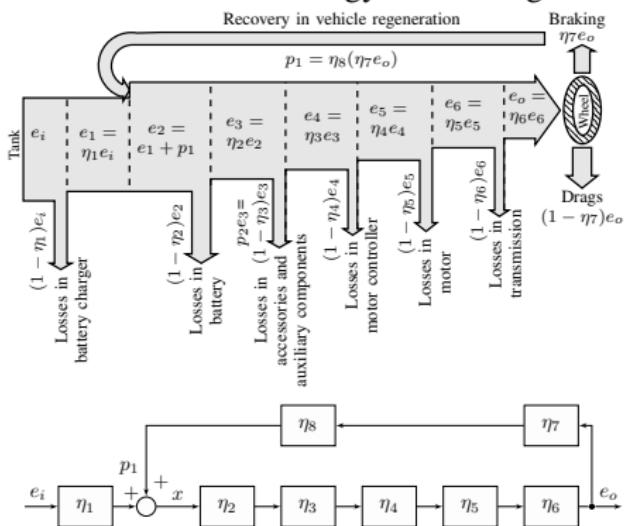
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For  $k$ -th iterations on drive cycle:

$$e_o(k \rightarrow \infty) = \frac{\eta_1 \cdot \eta_f}{1 - \eta_{fb} \cdot \eta_f} \cdot e_i;$$

Where,  $\eta_f = \eta_2 \eta_3 \eta_4 \eta_5 \eta_6$ ,  
 $\eta_{fb} = \eta_7 \eta_8$ ,  $0 < \eta_{fb}, \eta_f < 1$ ,  
and  $e_i = 100$  for TTW in %.

## ■ Facts and Assumption

F1: Lithium-based battery BEVs constitute an overwhelming majority of BEVs.

F2: IWM and SMD BEVs widely use permanent magnet motors, such as PMSMs and EC motors.

F3: SMD BEVs use single-stage-gear mechanical transmission.

A1: BEVs use EPA (FTP) urban drive cycle.

FTP: Federal Test Procedure

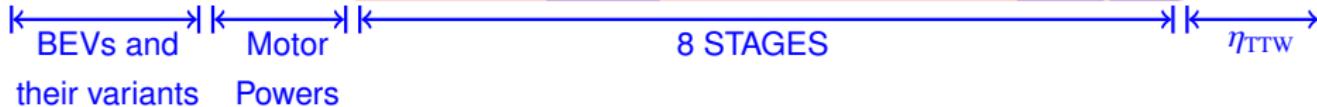
# Calculation of TTW Energy Efficiency of BEVs

## ■ Equation for calculating $\eta_{TTW}$

$$\eta_{TTW} = \frac{\eta_1 \cdot \eta_f}{1 - \eta_{fb} \cdot \eta_f} \cdot e_i; \text{ when } e_i = 100 \text{ units}$$

## ■ Table to find $\eta_{TTW}$ of 15 kinds of BEVs: SMD, 2IW, 1IW, 2WID, 4WID BEVs

Vehicle type	BEVs	Power range [kW]	$\eta_1$ (in %)	$\eta_2$ (in %) F1	$\eta_3 = (1 - p_2)$ (in %), A1	$\eta_4$ (in %)	$\eta_5$ (in %), F2	$\eta_6$ (in %), F3	$\eta_7$ (in %), A1	$\eta_8$ (in %), A1	$e_o$ ( $\eta_{TTW}$ )
Bikes	2IW	2x(0.25 – 4)	88.0	87.0	95	95.8 – 97.1	81.2 – 90.7	100	32	35	61.0 – 71.5
	1IW	0.25 – 8	88.0	87.0	95	95.8 – 97.4	81.2 – 92.5	100	28	23	59.0 – 67.2
	SMD	0.25 – 8	88.0	87.0	95	95.8 – 97.4	81.2 – 92.5	98	28	22	57.7 – 67.2
Microcars	4WID	4x(2 – 4)	91.0	87.0	74	96.8 – 97.1	88.7 – 90.7	100	30	45	54.4 – 55.9
	2WID	2x(4 – 8)	91.0	87.0	74	97.1 – 97.4	90.7 – 92.5	100	29	29	54.4 – 55.5
	SMD	8 – 16	91.0	87.0	74	97.4 – 97.7	92.5 – 94.0	95	29	28	52.5 – 53.6
Mid-size cars	4WID	4x(4 – 15)	92.0	87.0	72	97.1 – 97.7	90.7 – 93.9	100	36	55	57.0 – 59.7
	2WID	2x(8 – 30)	92.0	87.0	72	97.4 – 97.9	92.5 – 95.0	100	35	36	55.9 – 57.9
	SMD	16 – 60	92.0	87.0	72	97.7 – 98.1	94.0 – 95.8	95	36	34	53.9 – 55.2
Full-size cars	4WID	4x(15 – 40)	93.0	87.0	72	97.7 – 98.0	93.9 – 95.4	100	41	65	63.1 – 64.6
	2WID	2x(30 – 80)	93.0	87.0	72	97.9 – 98.2	95.0 – 96.0	100	40	42	60.1 – 61.0
	SMD	60 – 160	93.0	87.0	72	98.1 – 98.2	95.8 – 96.2	95	41	40	57.2 – 57.5
Electric buses	4WID	4x(20 – 90)	93.0	87.0	71	97.8 – 98.2	94.4 – 96.0	100	51	75	68.0 – 69.8
	2WID	2x(40 – 180)	93.0	87.0	71	98.0 – 98.2	95.4 – 96.2	100	50	50	62.6 – 63.4
	SMD	80 – 360	93.0	87.0	71	98.2 – 98.3	96.0 – 96.2	95	51	47	59.3 – 59.5



**STAGE 1 & 2****STAGE 1: Battery Charger ( $\eta_1$ )**

Vehicle type	Battery energy capacity (in kWh)	Recommended charging times (in hours)	Recommended charger powers (in kW)	Average charger efficiency, $\eta_1$ (in %)
Bikes	1 – 4	1 – 8	0.5 – 1.2, 1.4, 1.8, 2.3	88.0
Microcars	4 – 14	2 – 8	1.8, 2.3, 3.3, 3.7	91.0
Mid-size cars	16 – 30	2 – 10	3.3, 3.7, 7.4, 7.7, 11	92.0
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- (1) Selected suitable battery capacities
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**■ Trend:**  $\eta_1$  increases with charger power, and saturates at high powers.

**STAGE 2: Battery ( $\eta_2$ )**

- Lithium-based battery (LFP, Lithium-ion, Lithium polymer)
  - Most promising and dominant EV battery technology
  - High energy and power density
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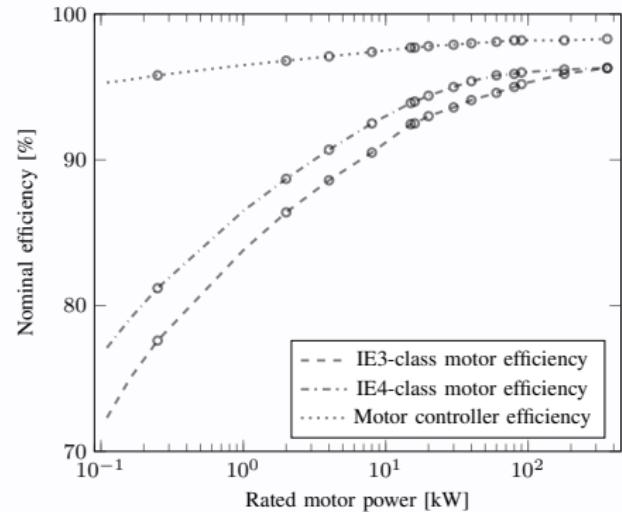
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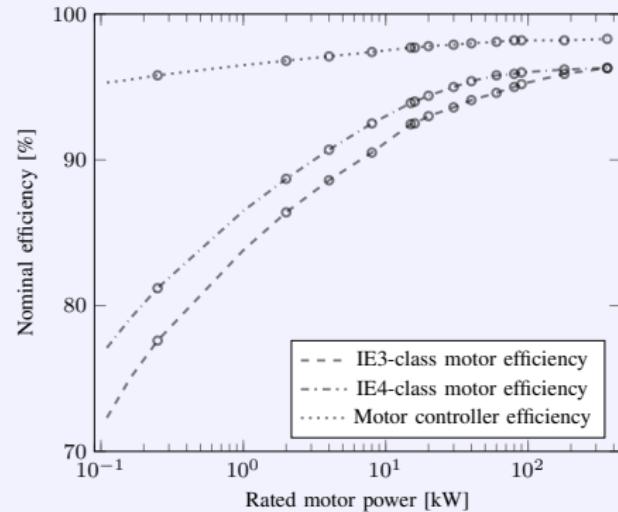
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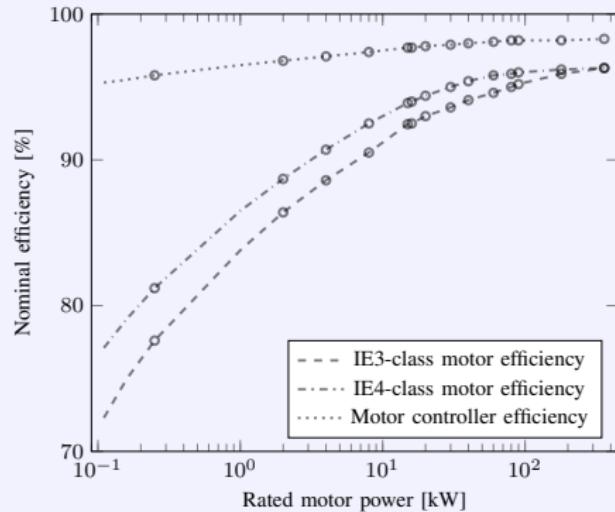
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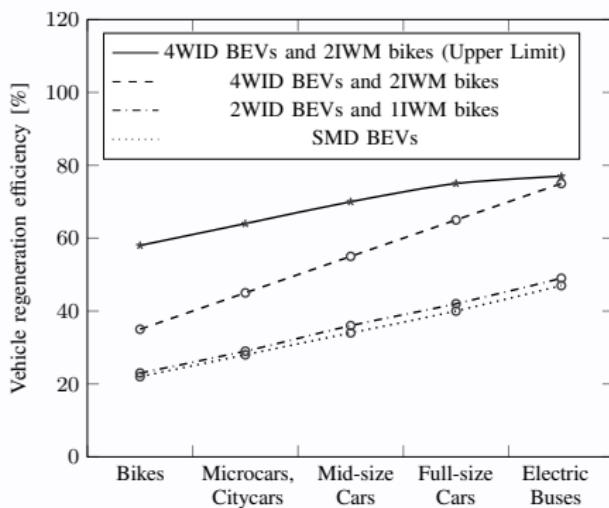
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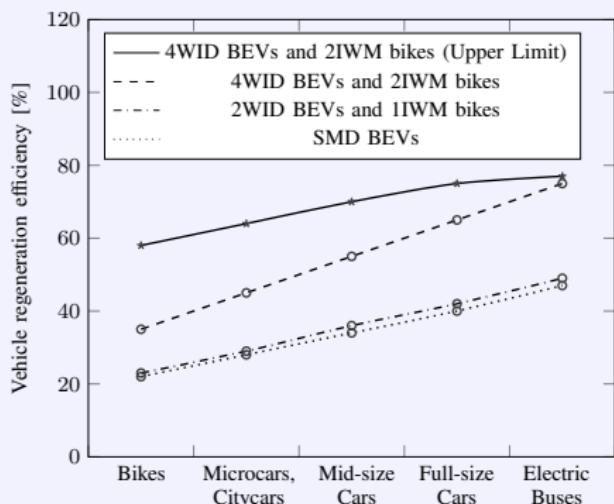
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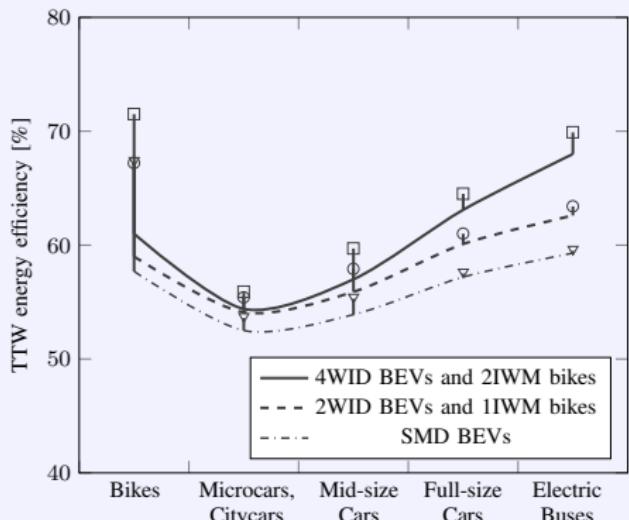
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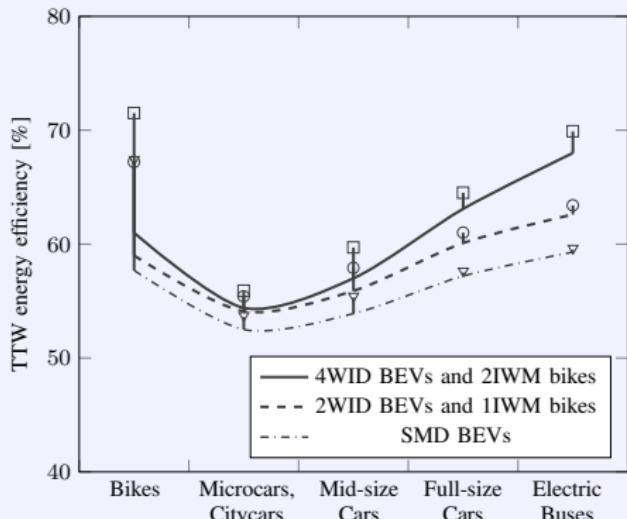
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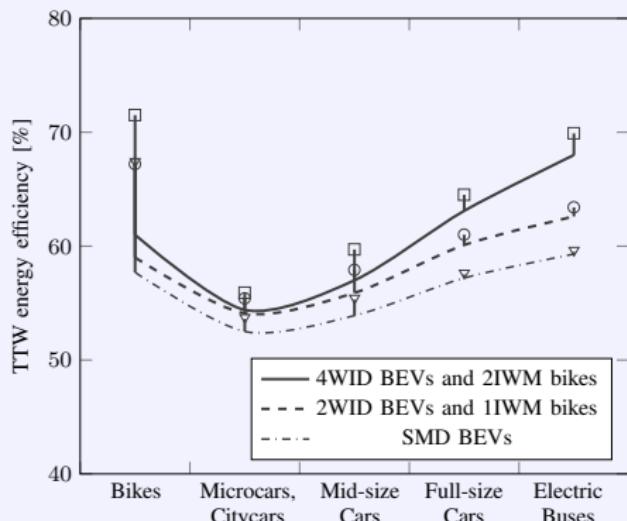
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## Graph of $\eta_{TTW}$ versus BEV power



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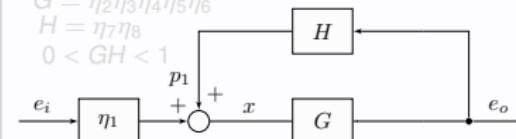
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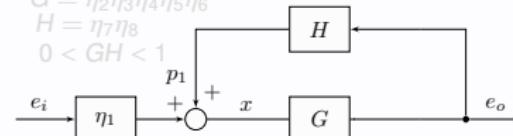
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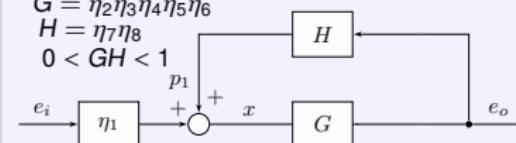
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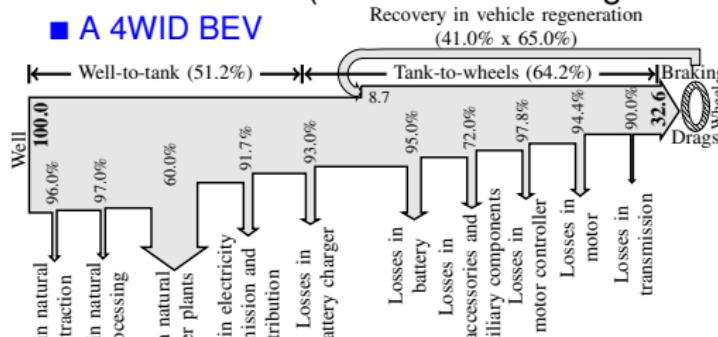
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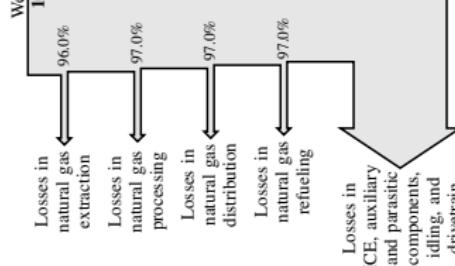
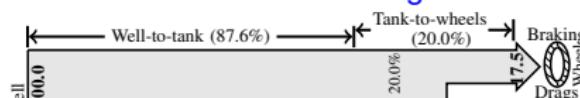
### (Full-size cars using Natural gas pathway.)

#### ■ A 4WID BEV



$\approx 33\% \rightarrow 29\%$  (In very cold condition)

#### ■ An Internal Combustion Engine Vehicle



$\approx 18\% \rightarrow 24\%$

(In very cold condition)

$\approx 30\% \rightarrow 26\%$  (In very cold condition)

# Key Findings and Usefulnesses

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## ■ Usefulnesses:

- To determine  $\eta_{TTW}$  of any BEV.
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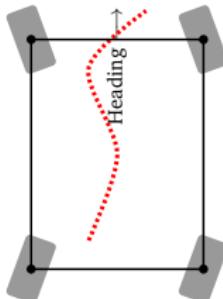
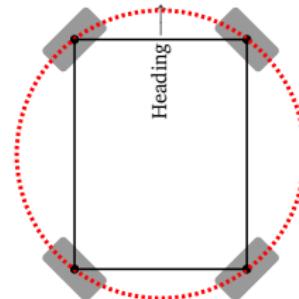
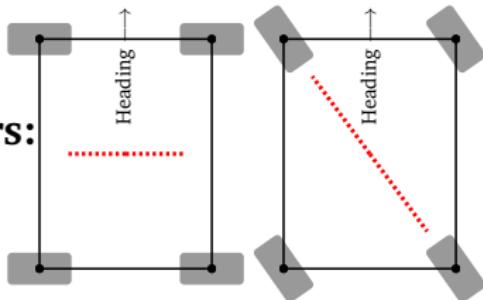
The thesis primarily considers

## 4WIS4WID EVs

Four steering motors

Four driving motors, mostly IWMs

Manoeuvres:



Source: 4WIS4WID EV by DLR (Germany).

■ **Prominent Institutions:** MIT, Stanford, Otago Polytechnic, KTH, Endhovan University, DLR, University of Texas, IIT Kanpur.

■ **Have a potential to achieve optimal tire usage (OTU)**

# What is Optimal Tire Usage (OTU)?

## ■ Condition for OTU [13]:

$$\mathcal{K}_1 = \mathcal{K}_2 = \mathcal{K}_3 = \mathcal{K}_4 = \mathcal{K}_{\min}$$

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$$\mathcal{K}_i = \frac{\sqrt{F_{xti}^2 + F_{yti}^2}}{\mu_{\max} F_{zi}} = \frac{\sqrt{F_{xli}^2 + F_{yli}^2}}{\mu_{\max} F_{zi}}$$

## □ Constraints:

$$m(\dot{v}_{xl} - \gamma v_{yl}) = F_{xl} = F_{x1} + F_{x2} + F_{x3} + F_{x4} \quad (1a)$$

$$m(\dot{v}_{yl} + \gamma v_{xl}) = F_{yl} = F_{y1} + F_{y2} + F_{y3} + F_{y4} \quad (1b)$$

$$I_z \ddot{\gamma} = M_{zl} = l_d(-F_{x1} + F_{x2} - F_{x3} + F_{x4}) + l_f(F_{y1} + F_{y2}) - l_r(F_{y3} + F_{y4}) \quad (1c)$$

- No tire reaches saturation before others.
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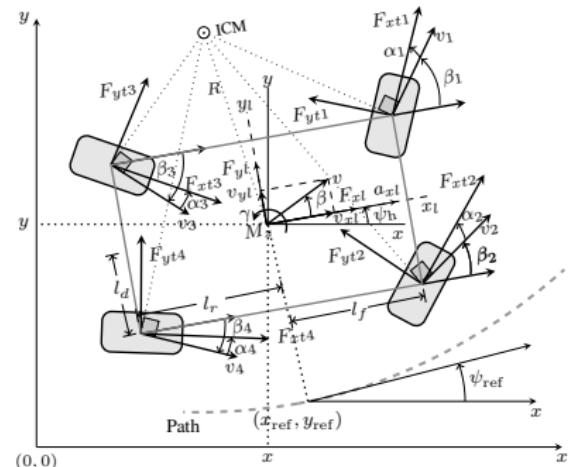
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## ■ Vehicle stability margin, $S$

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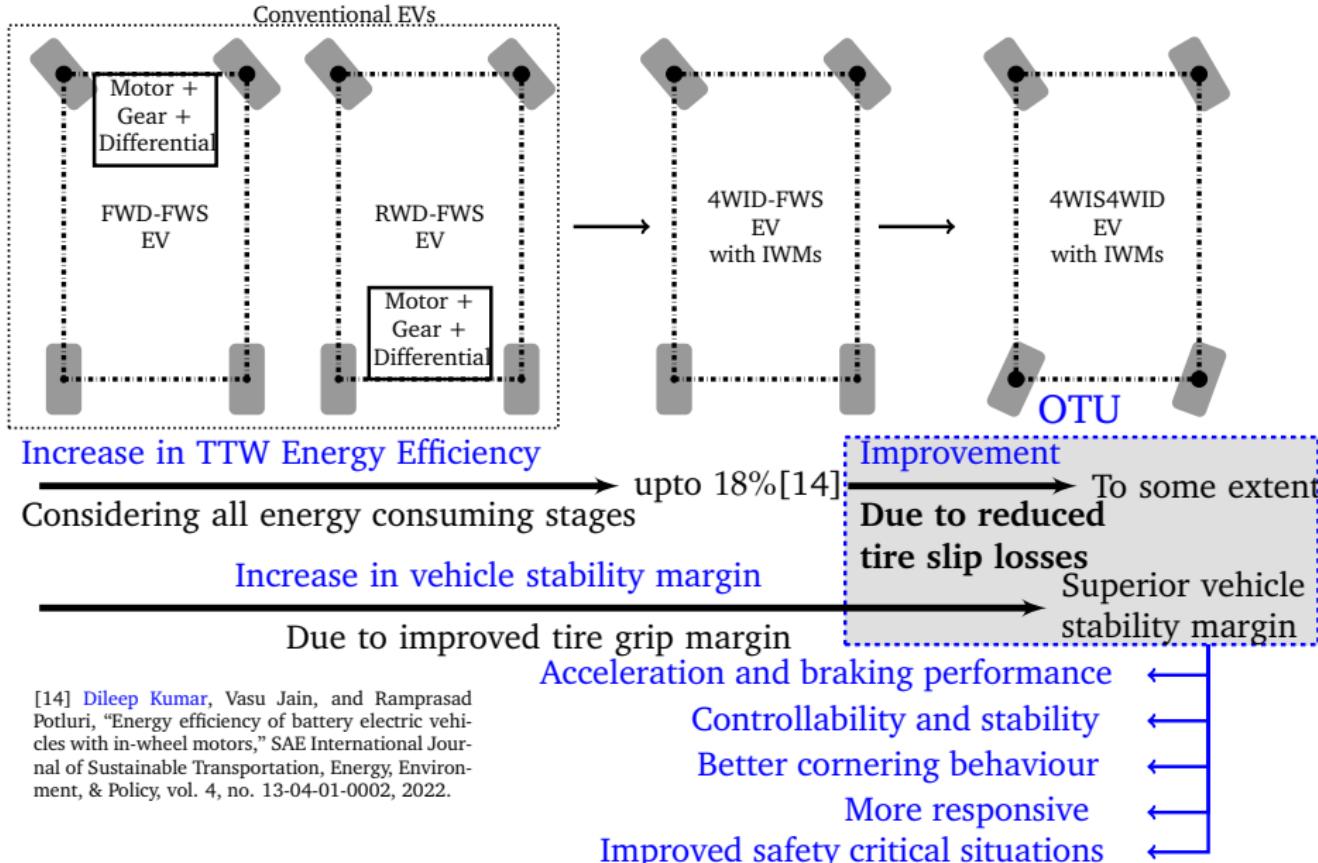
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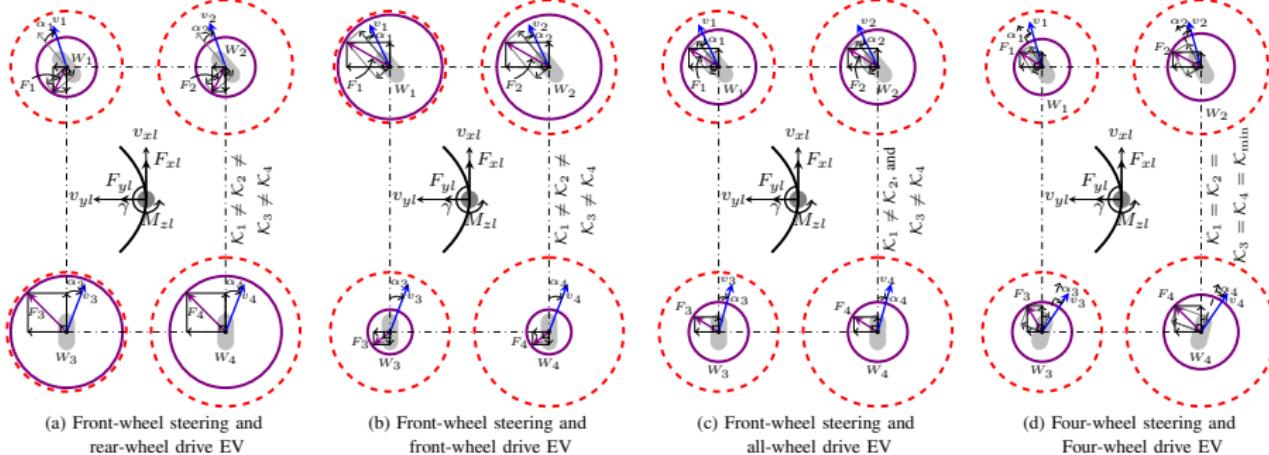


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# Motivation and Importance of OTU



# An Example to Compare Tire Usages in four EVs



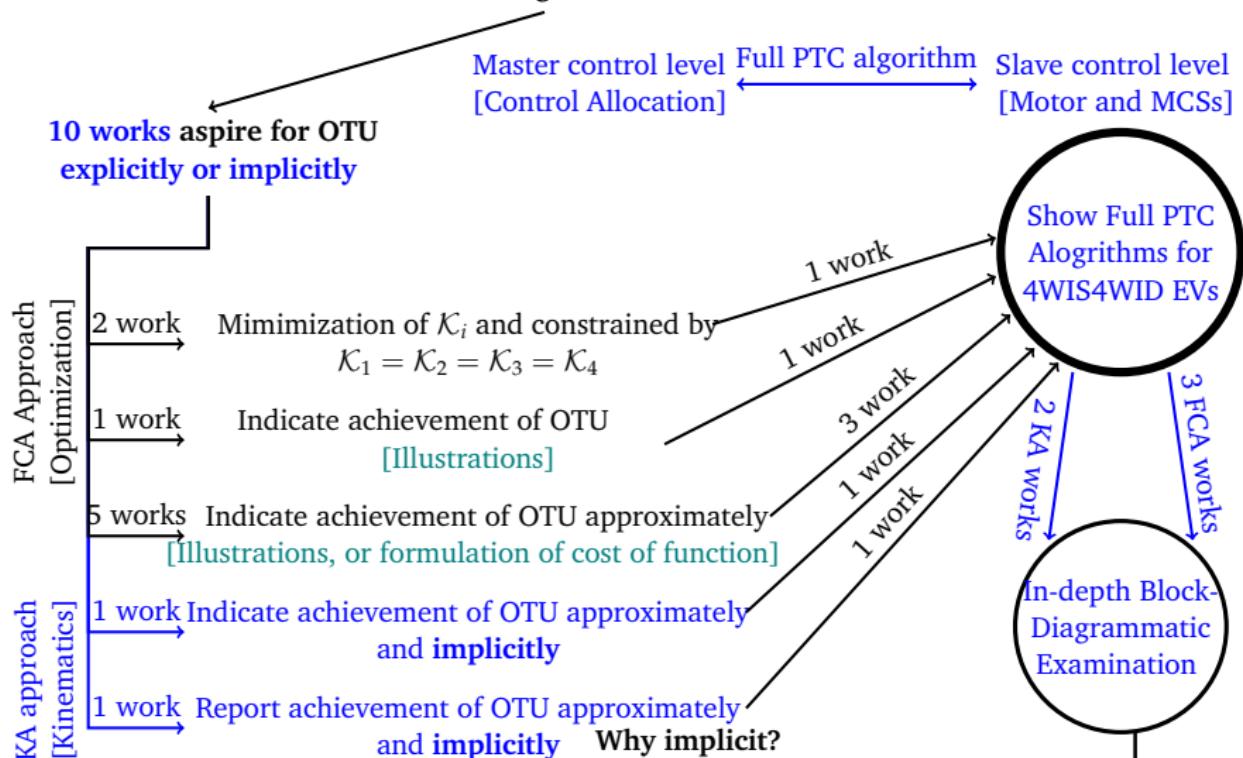
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Stability Margin	Low	Moderately high	High	

A vehicle can be stable without OTU.

However, it is more prone to instability without OTU than with OTU.

# Literature Review and Problem Identifications

About 15 works on PTC algorithms of 4WIS4WID EVs



1. To see whether these PTC algorithms have all **required elements** for OTU.
2. To **suggest modifications**, if needed.

# Continued...

**Part I: How to check OTU in the two KA works, and what is The 5 selected works extent they can achieve OTU?**

No optimization at master control level (**cannot claim OTU**)

**KA approach**

ICM allocation

Potluri et al.  
(IITK) [15]

Position allocation

Ploeg et al. (TNO  
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Castro et al.  
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(Stanford  
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Leenen (Eindhoven  
Technology) [17]

**Part II: Block diagrammatic examinations to identify modifications and suggest appropriate solutions**

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# Estimating the Extent of OTU in the KA Works using Indicators

## 3 Indicators of OTU

Wheel accelerations

$$\|a_1\|_2 = \|a_2\|_2 = \|a_3\|_2 = \\ \|a_4\|_2 = \|a_{\min}\|_2$$

$$\square \quad \mathcal{K}_i = \frac{\sqrt{F_{xi}^2 + F_{yi}^2}}{\mu_{\max} F_{zi}} = \\ \frac{m_i}{\mu_{\max} m_i g} \sqrt{a_{xi}^2 + a_{yi}^2} = \frac{1}{\mu_{\max} g} \|a_i\|_2$$

Wheel combined slips

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Wheel longitudinal slip and slip angles

$$|\kappa_1| = |\kappa_2| = |\kappa_3| = |\kappa_4| = |\kappa_{\min}| \\ |\alpha_1| = |\alpha_2| = |\alpha_3| = |\alpha_4| = |\alpha_{\min}|$$

### ■ Estimate of OTU in Ploeg et. al. [16]

□ Ploeg et. al. [16] reports:

*Drive torque distribution of wheels*

$\propto$

*Their vertical load distribution.*

$$\downarrow \\ |\kappa_1| = |\kappa_2| = |\kappa_3| = |\kappa_4|$$

■ Extent of achievement of OTU is extremely high.

- All the  $\alpha_i$  needs to generate normal tire forces towards center of rotation, they need to have same sign and  $\alpha_1 \approx \alpha_2 \approx \alpha_3 \approx \alpha_4$ .

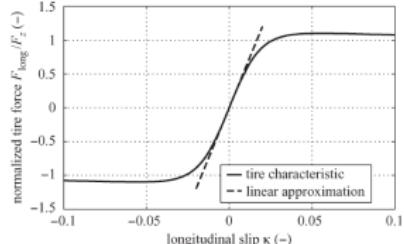
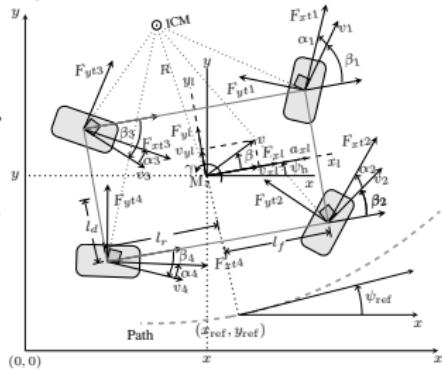


Figure: Tire characteristics, taken from [16]



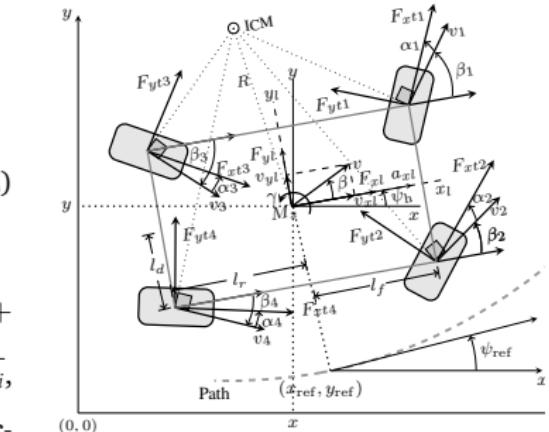
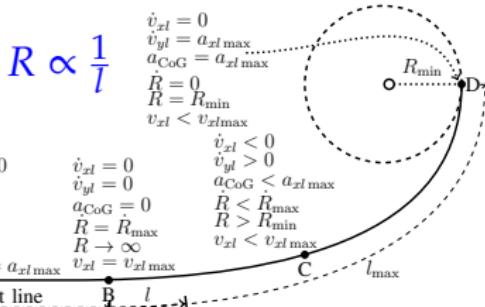
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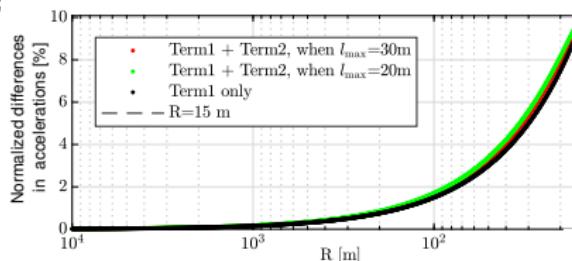
$$\|a_i\|_2 = \sqrt{\underbrace{k_{1i} a_{CoG}^2}_{\text{Term1}} + \underbrace{\frac{\dot{R} v_{xl} k_2}{R} \left( \frac{v_{xl} k_2}{R k_{1i}} \dot{R} + 2 \dot{v}_{xl} \right)}_{\text{Term2}}} \quad (2)$$

where,  $a_{CoG} = \sqrt{\dot{v}_{xl}^2 + \frac{v_{xl}^4}{R^2}}$ ,  $k_{1i} = \left(1 + \frac{l_d}{R} (-1)^i\right)^2 + \left(\frac{l_r}{R}\right)^2$ ,  $k_{2i} = \left(-(-1)^i \frac{l_d}{R} - \left(\frac{l_d}{R}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{l_r}{R}\right)^2\right)$ ,  $R_i = R \sqrt{k_{1i}}$ ,  $v_i = v_{xl} \sqrt{k_{1i}}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ ,  $v_i$  is the magnitudes of velocity of  $i$ -th wheel position, and  $R$  is the radius of ICM.



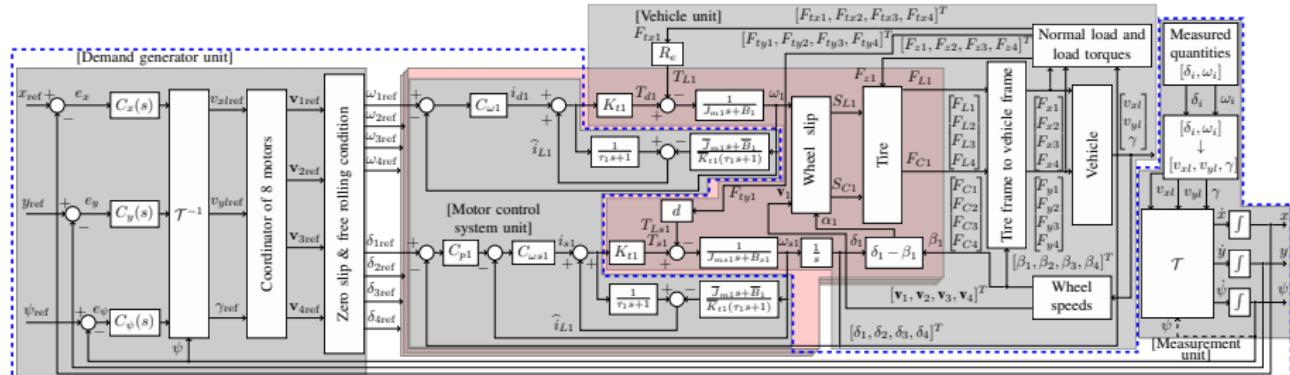
■ Extent of achievement of OTU in [15]  $\geq 90\%$  for most vehicle operations

**Requirement:**  
Motor Control System must be accurate effective.



# Block Diagrammatic Examinations

■ One of the Two KA works: Potluri et al. [15]



1) Four units in gray areas, 2) Four layers in light-red shaded area, 3) Regions in blue-dotted lines.

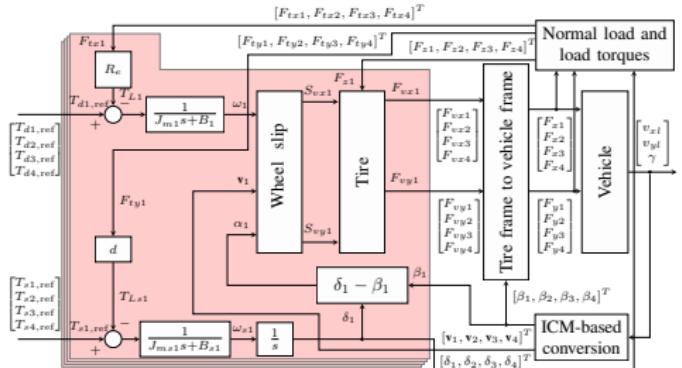


Figure: Vehicle model (Burckhardt tire model).

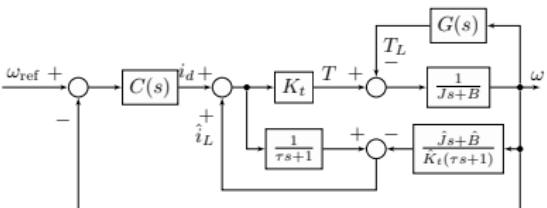
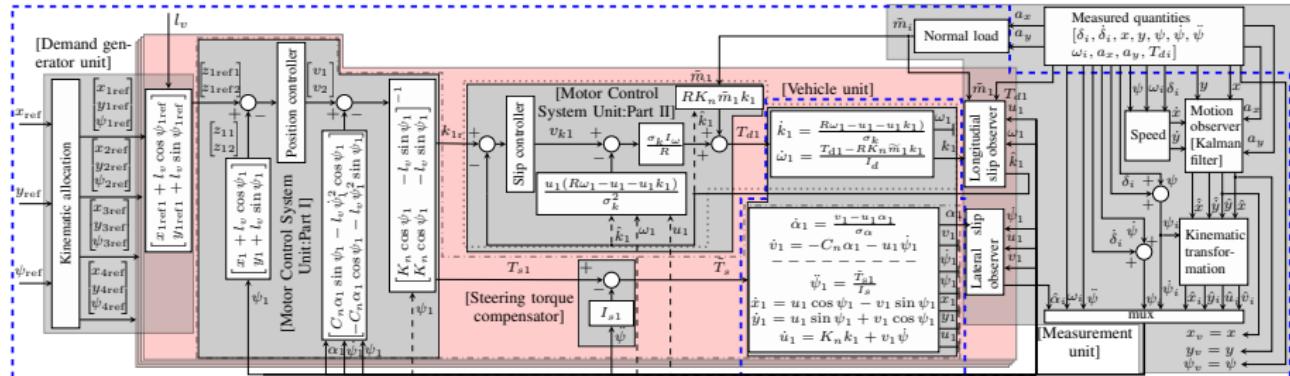


Figure: Disturbance observer-based driving motor control system.

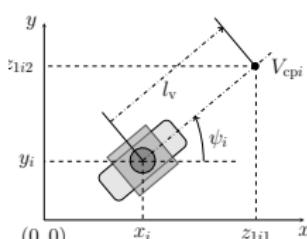
□ It uses **disturbance observer-based control** for both driving and steering motors.

# Block Diagrammatic Examinations

■ Remaining one KA Work: Pleog et al. [16]

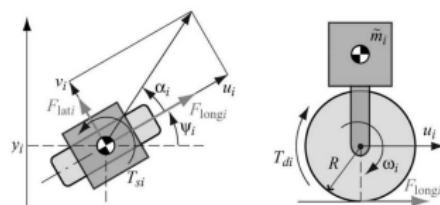


□ Unicycle modeling:



$$\begin{bmatrix} z_{1i1} \\ z_{1i2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_i + l_v \cos \psi_i \\ y_i + l_v \sin \psi_i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_i &= u_i \cos \psi_i - v_i \sin \psi_i & \dot{y}_i &= u_i \sin \psi_i + v_i \cos \psi_i \\ \dot{u}_i &= K_n k_i + v_i \dot{\psi}_i & \dot{v}_i &= -C_n \alpha_i - u_i \dot{\psi}_i \\ \dot{\alpha}_i &= \frac{v_i - u_i \alpha_i}{\sigma_\alpha} & \dot{k}_i &= \frac{R \omega_i - u_i - u_i k_i}{\sigma_k} \\ \ddot{\psi}_i &= \frac{T_{si}}{I_s} & \dot{\omega}_i &= \frac{T_{di} - R K_n \tilde{m}_i k_i}{I_d} \end{aligned}$$



□ 9-order state:  
 $(x_i, u_i, y_i, v_i, \alpha_i, \psi_i, \dot{\psi}_i, k_i, \omega_i)$

□ Two vectors:

- 1)  $\mathbf{q}_i$   $(x_i, u_i, y_i, v_i, \alpha_i, \psi_i, \dot{\psi}_i)$  =
- 2)  $\mathbf{q}_{ki} = (k_i, \omega_i)$ .

□ Two state equations:  
 $\dot{\mathbf{q}}_i = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}_i) + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{q}_i) \mathbf{u}_i$   
[Part I] and  
 $\dot{\mathbf{q}}_{ki} = \mathbf{f}_k(\mathbf{q}_{ki}) + \mathbf{g}_k(\mathbf{q}_{ki}) \mathbf{u}_{ki}$   
[Part II]

# Block Diagrammatic Examinations

■ Continued...

## Block diagram of Part I:

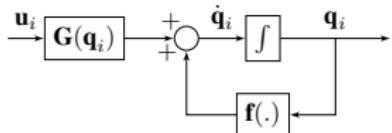


Figure A : Block diagrammatic representations of  
 $\dot{q}_i = f(q_i) + G(q_i)u_i$

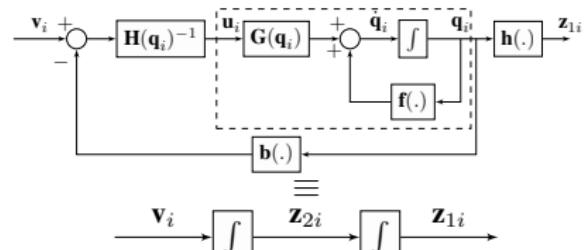


Figure C: Input-output linearization and equivalent model

## Block diagram of Part II:

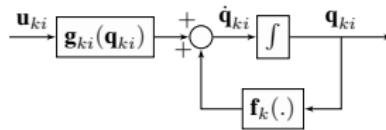


Figure B: Block diagrammatic representations of  
 $\dot{q}_{ki} = f_k(q_{ki}) + g_k(q_{ki})u_{ki}$

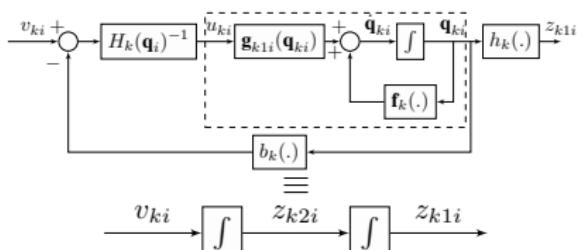


Figure D: Input-output linearization and equivalent model

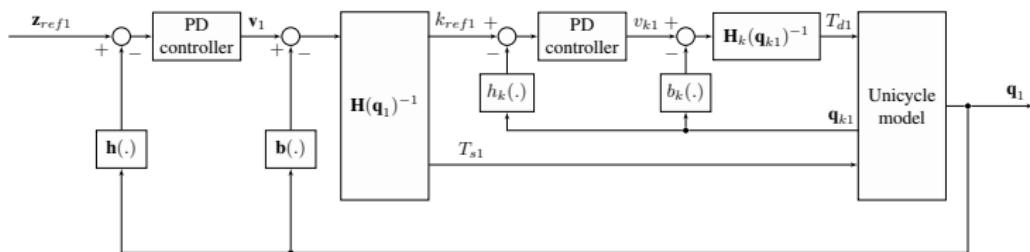
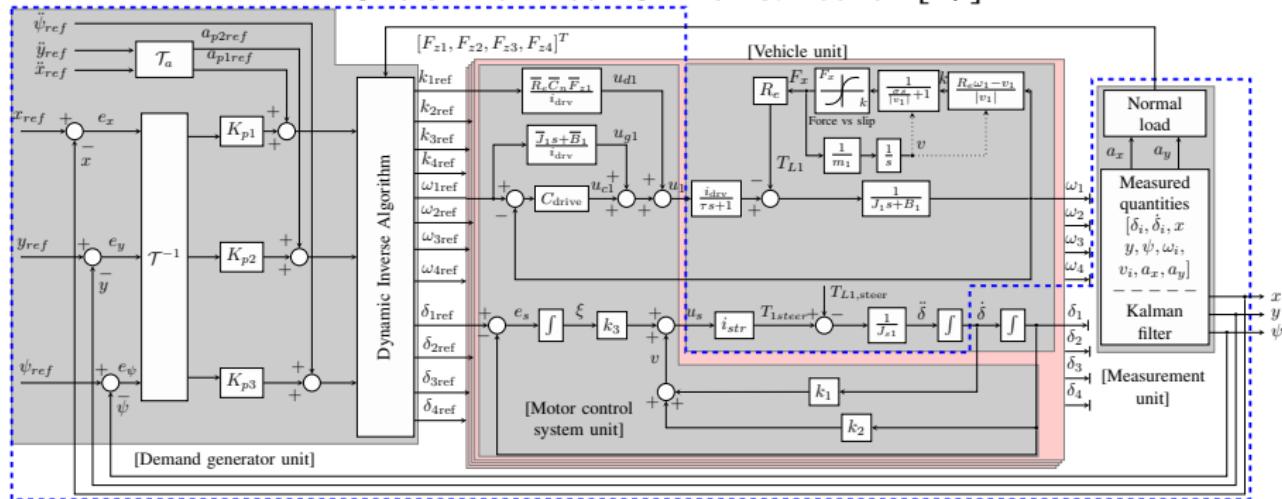


Figure E: Motor control systems for the unicycle

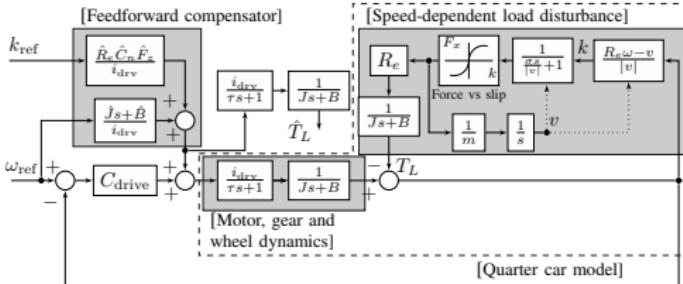
**Seems to have adequate MCSs as demonstrated in [16]**

# Block Diagrammatic Examinations

■ One of the three FCA works: Leenen [17]



□ Driving motor control systems



□ Body acts as a speed-dependent load.

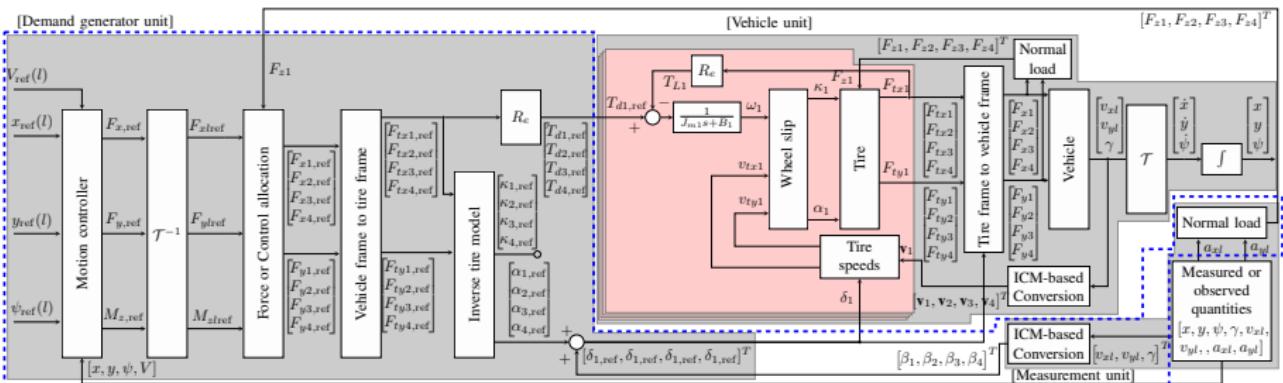
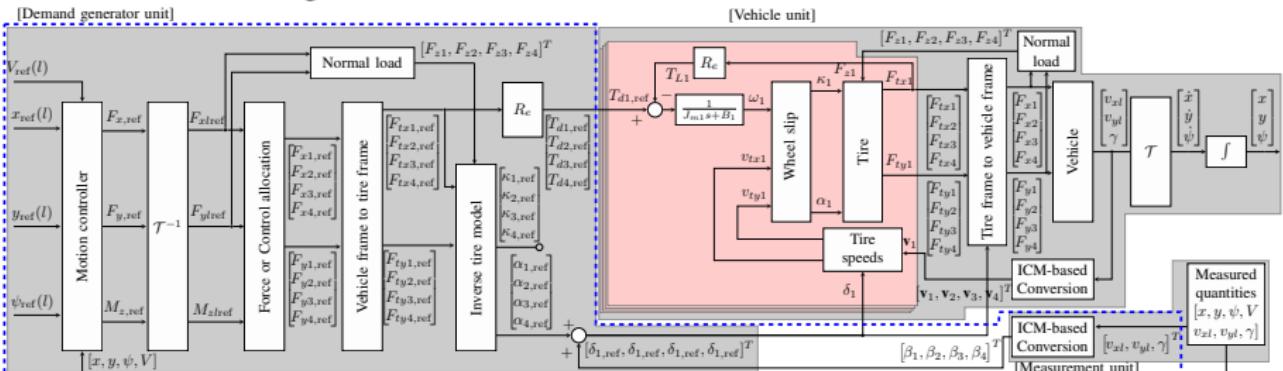
□ Wheel-speed tracking is required.

□ Limitations in MCSs used:

- 1)  $\hat{T}_L$  is not real estimate of  $T_L$
- 2) Transient tire dynamics is not included.

# Block Diagrammatic Examinations

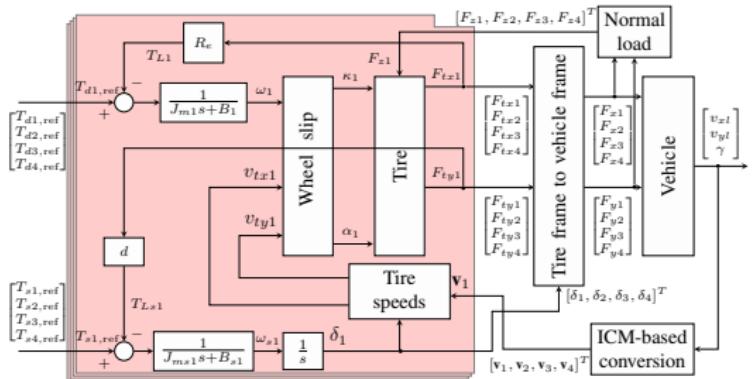
■ Remaining Two FCA works: Park et al. [13] and Castro et al. [18]



□ Motor control systems required for load-torque and steering angle tracking are not disclosed.

# Block Diagrammatic Examinations

## ■ Block diagrammatic structure of vehicle model.

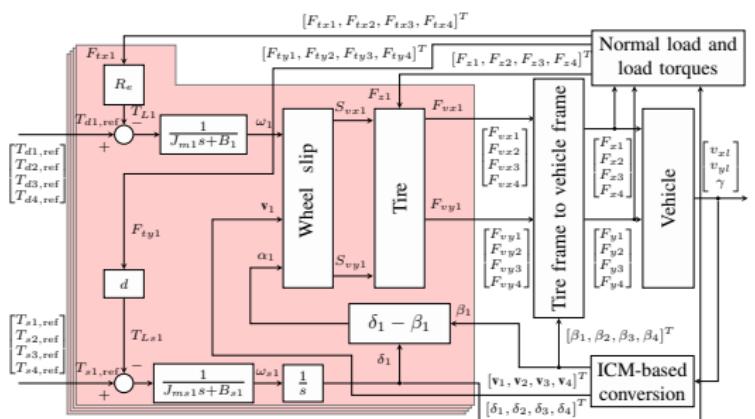


■ Vehicle model used in Park et al. [13] and Castro et al. [18].

- Uses Pacejka tire model.

- Vehicle's body acts as loads on steering and driving motors.

- DOBC may be used here.



■ Vehicle model used in Potluri et. al [15].

- Uses Burckhardt tire model.

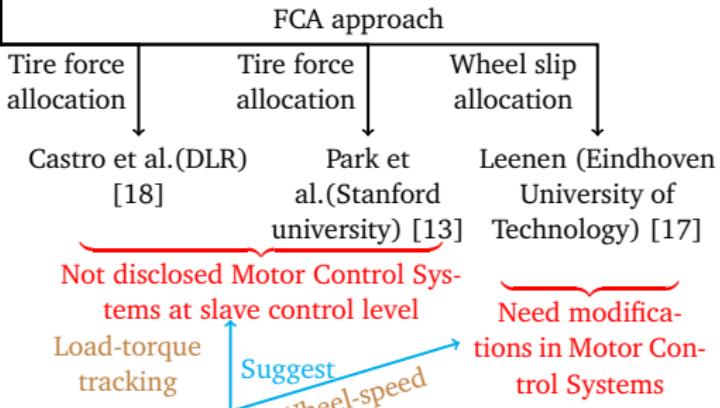
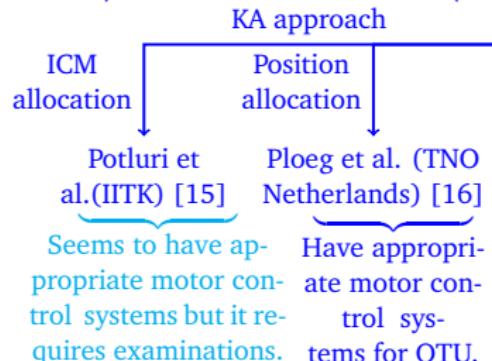
- Vehicle's body acts as loads or disturbances on steering and driving motors

- Uses disturbance observer-based control (DOBC).

# Summary of Block Diagrammatic Examinations

The 5 selected works are

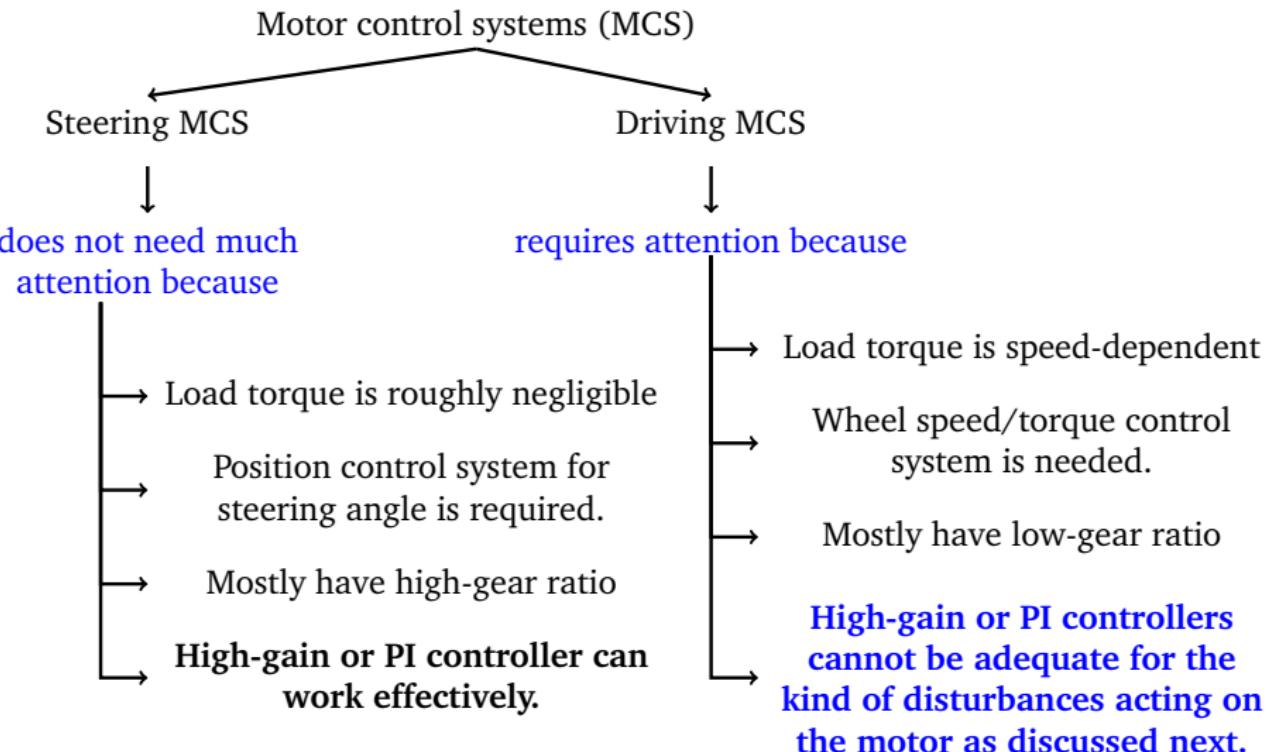
## Part I: Estimated the extent of achievement of OTU



NEXT: Examination of motor control systems of [15] for accuracy and disturbance rejection

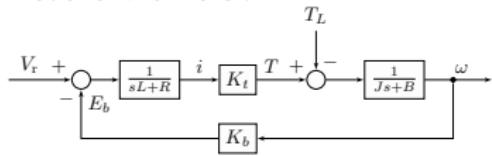
## Part II: Performed In-depth Block diagrammatic examinations

# Motor Control Systems

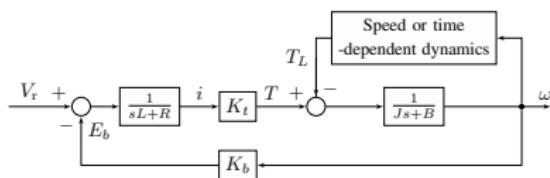


## Potluri et al. [15]: Motor Model and Disturbance Model

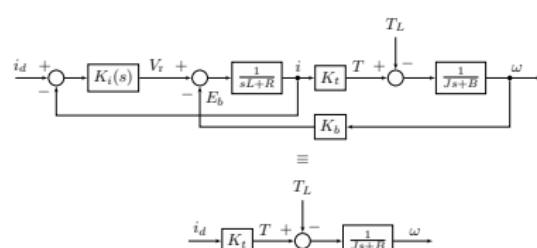
- Block diagram of a PM DC motor:
- Literature exclusively uses transfer function model of the motor.



- All the speed or time-varying dynamics appear in the feedback path from  $\omega$  to  $T_L$ .

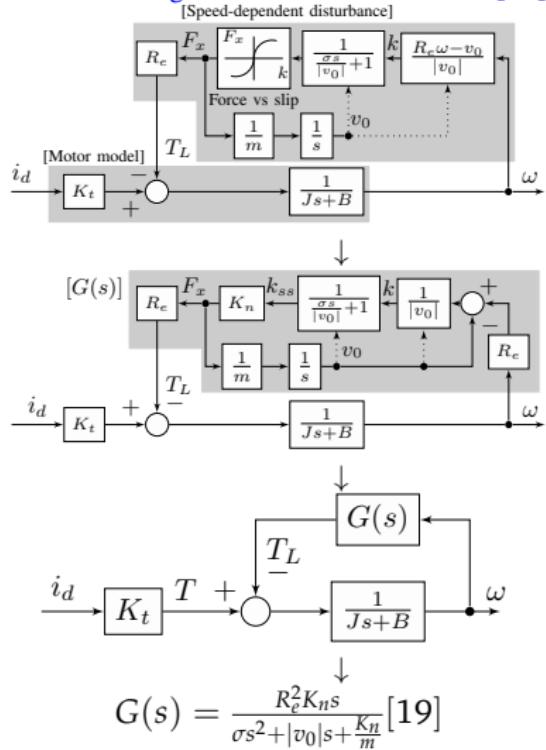


- When  $i$  is well-regulated, i.e.  $i = i_d$



- Speed-dependent disturbance model:

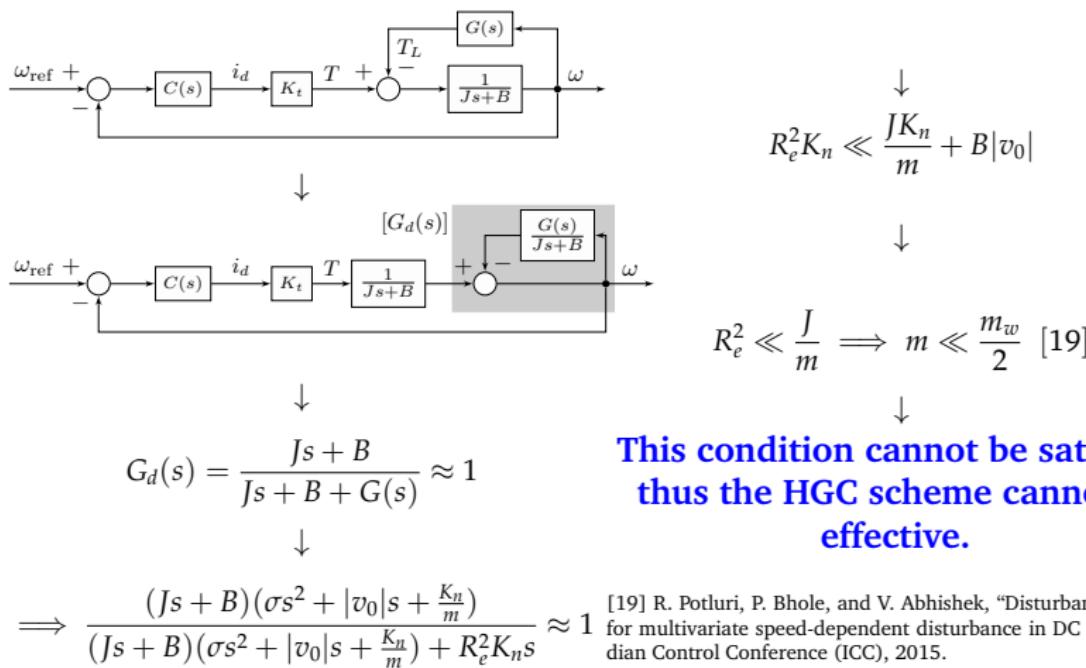
- Considering disturbance model from [17]:



[19] R. Potluri, P. Bhole, and V. Abhishek, "Disturbance observer for multivariate speed-dependent disturbance in DC motors," Indian Control Conference (ICC), 2015.

# Potluri et al. [15]: A High-Gain Control (HGC) Scheme

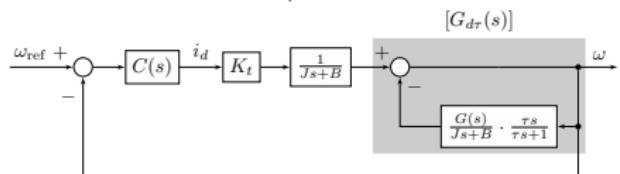
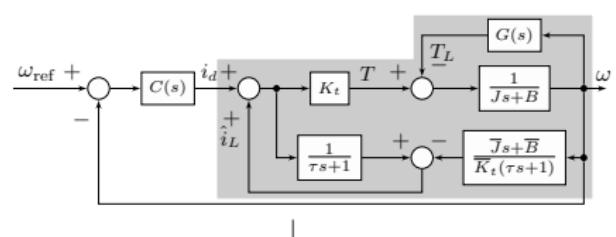
- Effectiveness analysis of a high-gain control (HGC) for wheel-speed tracking



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# Potluri et al. [12]: A Disturbance Observer-based Control (DOBC) Scheme

■ Effectiveness of a disturbance observer-based control (DOBC) scheme for wheel speed tracking at nominal values



$$G_{d\tau}(s) = \frac{(\sigma s^2 + |v_0|s + \frac{K_n}{m})(Js + B)(\tau s + 1)}{(\sigma s^2 + |v_0|s + \frac{K_n}{m})(Js + B)(\tau s + 1) + R_e^2 K_n \tau s^2} \approx 1$$

$$\frac{JK_n \tau}{m} + \sigma B + (J + B\tau)|v_0| \gg R_e^2 K_n \tau$$

↓

$$\Rightarrow \tau \ll \frac{\sigma B + J|v_0|}{(R_e^2 - \frac{L}{m}) K_n - B|v_0|}$$

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$$\tau \ll \frac{\sigma B + J|v_0|}{R_e^2 K_n - B|v_0|}$$

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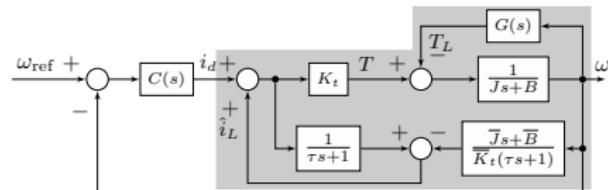
$$\tau \ll \frac{\sigma B + J|v_0|}{R_e^2 K_n} \quad [19]$$

**From Table 1:  $\tau \ll 2 \text{ ms.}$**

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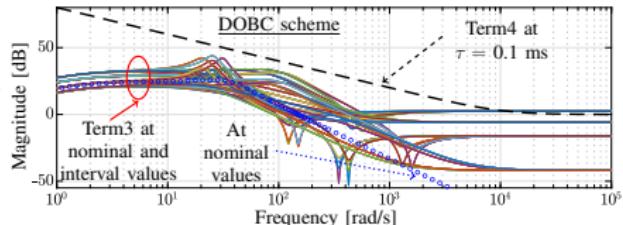
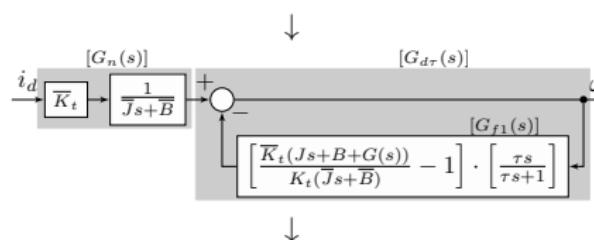
# Potluri et al. [15]: A Disturbance Observer-based Control (DOBC) Scheme

## Effectiveness of the DOBC Scheme under Parametric Uncertainty



$$\left| \frac{\bar{K}_t(Jj\omega + B + G(j\omega))}{K_t(\bar{J}j\omega + \bar{B})} - 1 \right| \ll \left| \frac{\tau j\omega + 1}{\tau j\omega} \right| \quad \text{Term3} \quad \text{Term4}$$

Bode magnitude plots for nominal and interval values of parameters.



Above figure gives  $\omega(s)/i_d(s) \approx G_n(s)$  when  $G_{d\tau}(s) \approx 1$ . For  $G_{d\tau}(s) \approx 1$ , the inequality  $G_{f1}(s) \ll 1$  must hold, which gives

$\tau \leq 0.1 \text{ ms for all interval values}$   
 $\tau \leq 2 \text{ ms for all interval values}$

Table 1: Parameter of quarter car, wheel, and IWM

Parameters	Nominal values	Interval values
$K_t$ [N-m/A]	5.0 [15]	3.0 – 7.0
$J$ [kg·m <sup>2</sup> ]	0.36 [17]	0.25 – 0.50
$B$ [N-m/(rad/s)]	0.57 [17]	0.30 – 0.80
$K_n$ [N/slip]	30000	21820 – 34194 [20]
$m$ [kg]	122 [17]	100 – 150
$\sigma$ [m]	0.225	0.03 – 0.42 [17]
$v_0$ [m/s]	8.0	2 – 16 [15]
$R_e$ [N-m/(rad/s)]	0.2246 [17]	0.2 – 0.25

# Potluri et al. [15]: An Active Disturbance Rejection Control (ADRC) Scheme

## Effectiveness of an ADRC Scheme under Parameter Uncertainty

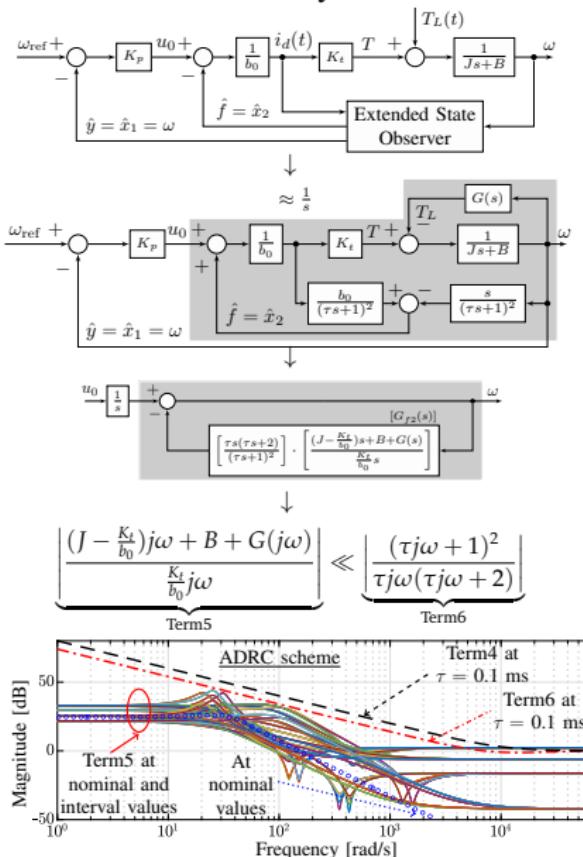
$$\begin{aligned} \omega(s) &= \frac{K_t}{Js+B} i_d(s) - \frac{1}{Js+B} T_L(s) \\ &\downarrow \\ \dot{\omega}(t) &= \frac{K_t}{J} i_d(t) - \frac{B}{J} \omega(t) - \frac{1}{J} T_L(t) \\ &\downarrow \\ \dot{\omega}(t) &= \underbrace{\left( -\frac{B}{J} \omega(t) - \frac{1}{J} T_L(t) - \Delta b \cdot i_d(t) \right)}_{\text{generalized disturbance } f(t)} + b_0 \cdot i_d(t) = u_o(t) \\ &\downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} i_d(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} f(t) \\ [y] &= [1 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where  $x_1(t) = \omega(t)$  and  $x_2(t) = f(t)$ .

□ The equation of the Luenberger observer is:

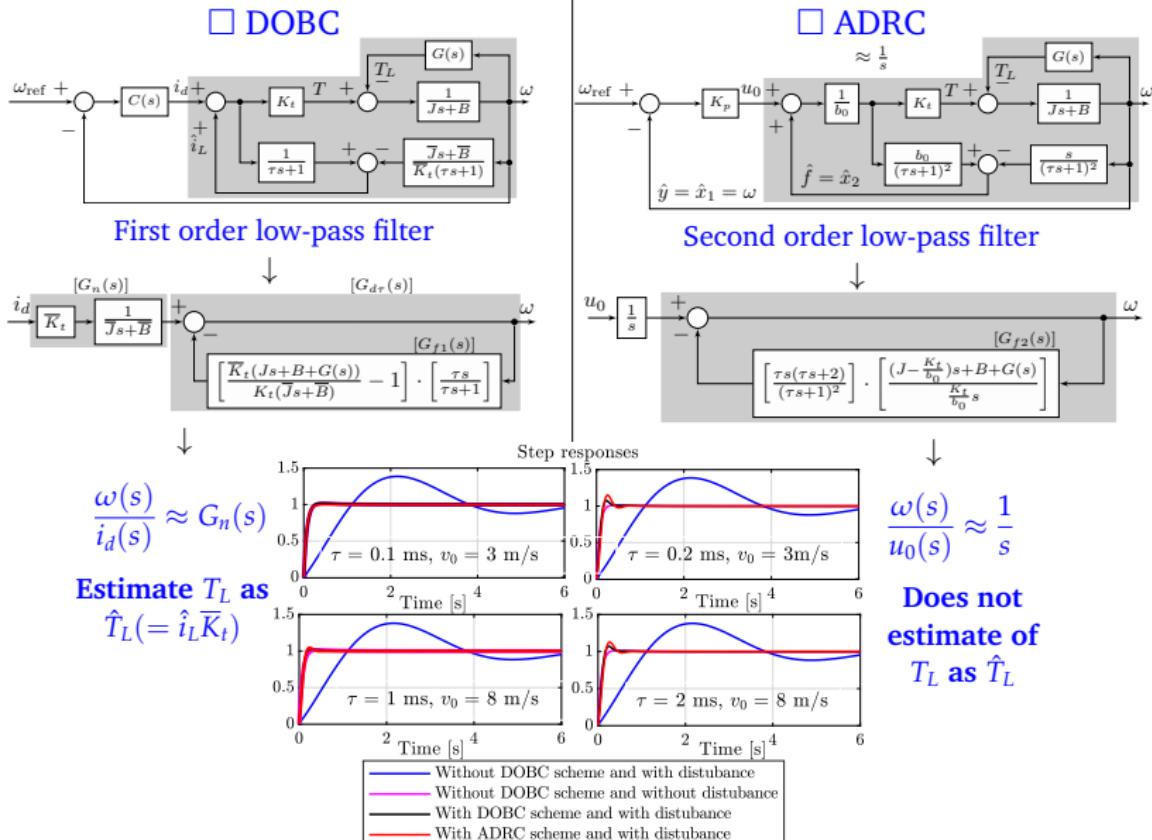
$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\hat{x}}_1 \\ \dot{\hat{x}}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \hat{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} i_d(t) + \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \\ l_2 \end{bmatrix} (y(t) - \hat{x}_1(t))$$

- When placing both the poles of the observer at  $s = p_o$ ;  $p_o < 0$ ,  $l_1 = -2p_o$  and  $l_2 = p_o^2$ .
- To convert the observer in s-domain, assume  $|p_o| = \frac{1}{\tau}$  in **time-constant form**.
- $\frac{1}{K_p}$  is time constant of the closed loop system.



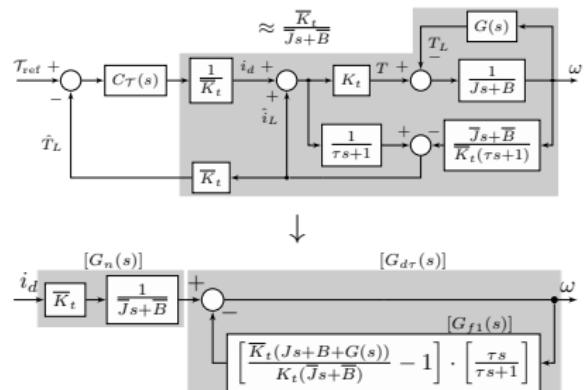
# Potluri et al. [15]: Comparison of DOBC and ADRC Schemes

## ■ A Comparison of the DOBC and ADRC Schemes



# Load-torque Tracking Schemes for Park et al. [13] and Castro et al. [18]

## □ Structure 1

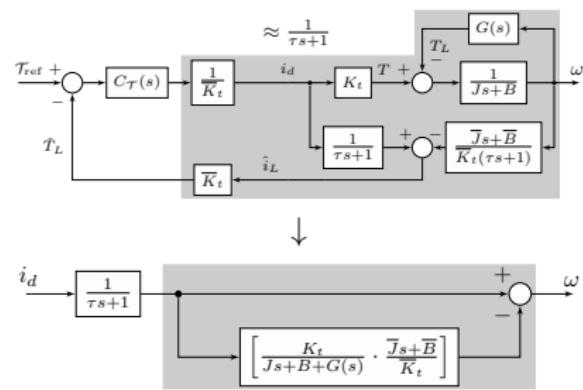


$$\left| \frac{\bar{K}_t(Jj\omega + B + G(j\omega))}{K_t(\bar{J}j\omega + \bar{B})} - 1 \right| \ll \left| \frac{\tau j\omega + 1}{\tau j\omega} \right|$$

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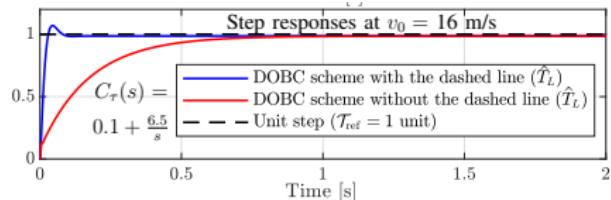
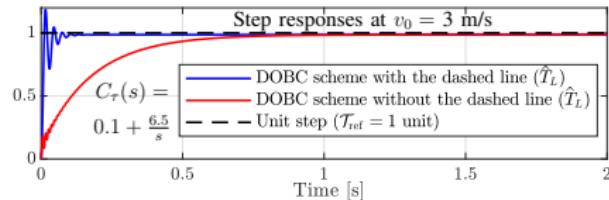
## □ Structure 2



$$\left| \frac{K_t}{Jj\omega + B + G(j\omega)} \right| \ll \left| \frac{\bar{K}_t}{\bar{J}j\omega + \bar{B}} \right|$$

Term7

Term8

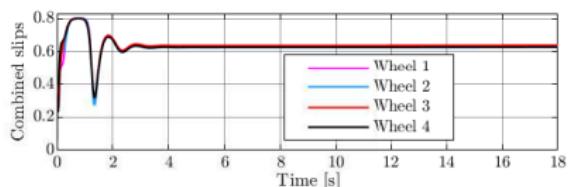
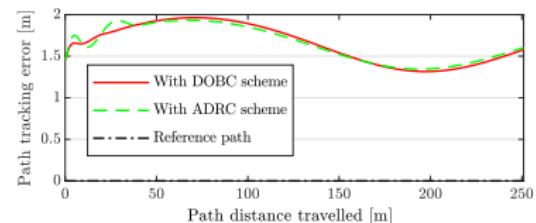
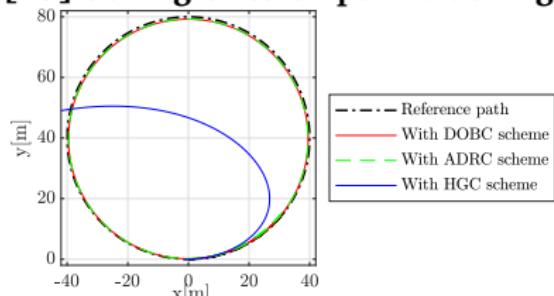


# Summary and Results

## ■ So far:

- What is OTU?
- Importance of OTU
- Estimate the extent of OTU in the two KA works
- Block diagrammatic examination of PTC algorithms of 5 works
- Effectiveness of HGC, DOBC, and ADRC schemes for wheel speed tracking. **The last two schemes can be used in Leenen [17].**
- Effectiveness of two suggested control structures for load-torque tracking. **These structures can be used in [13] and [18], and other works too.**

■ Employing the DOBC and ADRC schemes in the PTC algorithm of [15] during circular path-tracking.



Equal combined slip is an indicator of OTU.

# Key Findings and Usefulnesses of the Thesis

## ■ Key findings:

### Optimal Tire Usage

- Identification that most of the literature on PTC of 4WIS4WID EV aspire for OTU.
- Importance of OTU in a PTC algorithm and its four indicators.
- Concept of vehicle stability margin in an EV.
- Indirect route for examining OTU in the KA works.

### Block Diagrammatic Examination

- A full PTC algorithm requires attention to both master and slave control levels.
- The FCA works too involve kinematic calculations at the slave control levels.
- Unlike MCS of [16], MCS of [15] is relatively simple because it treat vehicle and tire dynamics as load disturbances in natural feedback loops.
- Practical implementation of PTC of [15] is simpler than that of the remaining four.
- All the existing and emerging PTC algorithms likely to have a similar block diagrammatic structure with four units. However, there could be variety in each unit.

### Motor Control Systems

- A way to perform an effectiveness analysis of a DOBC scheme under parametric uncertainty during wheel-speed tracking.
- A way to compare the DOBC scheme with an ADRC scheme in s-domain.
- A DOBC scheme is also effective in the load-torque tracking MCSs.

# Key Findings and Usefulnesses of the Thesis

## ■ Usefulnesses:

### Optimal Tire Usage

- Need to be considered while developing the PTC algorithm of a 4WIS4WID EV.

### Block Diagrammatic Examination

- To identify missing blocks or weaknesses in a PTC algorithm and providing appropriate solutions to them.

- To make it easy for the readers in understanding, criticizing, designing, developing, improving, and implementing a PTC algorithm.

- Block diagrams of the vehicle unit developed for Pacejka and Burckhardt tire models could be useful in developing simulation models.

- The examination suggests to use DOBC scheme while proposing MCSs.

### Motor Control Systems

- The proposed DOBC and ADRC schemes demonstrates OTU in one PTC scheme.

- The proposed MCSs are applicable to these reference commands:

- wheel-speeds and steering angles,
- longitudinal and lateral tire forces,
- longitudinal tire forces and steering angles,
- driving wheel torques and steering torques,
- driving wheel torques and steering angles

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## Conclusions of the Thesis

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- Comparison of WTW Efficiency of IWM BEVs, SMD BEVs, ICE Vehicles

### ■ On Tire Usage

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***Thank you!***

## Publications

### On Energy Usage:

Paper 1: **Dileep Kumar**, Vasu Jain, and Ramprasad Potluri, “[Energy efficiency of battery electric vehicles with in-wheel motors,](#)” SAE International Journal of Sustainable Transportation, Energy, Environment, & Policy, vol. 4, no. 13-04-01-0002, 2022.

### On Tire Usage:

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## Appendix

### ■ Calculation for $\|a_i\|_2$ at $i$ -th wheel position

In terms of  $v_i$ , and radius of ICM of  $i$ -th wheel  $R_i$ ,  $\|a_i\|_2$  is given by:

$$\|a_i\|_2 = \sqrt{v_i^2 + \left(\frac{v_i^2}{R_i}\right)} \quad (3)$$

Considering the simplifying assumption of  $\beta = 0$ ,  $R_i$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} R_i &= \sqrt{(R + l_d(-1)^i)^2 + l_r^2} \\ &= R \sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{l_d}{R}(-1)^i\right)^2 + \left(\frac{l_r}{R}\right)^2} \\ &= R \sqrt{k_{1i}} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

where,  $k_{1i} = \left(1 + \frac{l_d}{R}(-1)^i\right)^2 + \left(\frac{l_r}{R}\right)^2$ ;  $i = 1 - 4$ .

$v_i$  is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} v_i &= \sqrt{\left(v_{xl} + (-1)^i \frac{v_{xl}}{R} l_d\right)^2 + \left(\frac{v_{xl}}{R} l_r\right)^2} \\ &= v_{xl} \sqrt{\left(1 + (-1)^i \frac{l_d}{R}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{l_r}{R}\right)^2} \\ &= v_{xl} \sqrt{k_{1i}} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

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Squaring (5) gives:

$$\begin{aligned} v_i^2 &= v_{xl}^2 k_{1i} \\ &= v_{xl}^2 \left[ \left( 1 + (-1)^i \frac{l_d}{R} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{l_r}{R} \right)^2 \right] \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Differentiating (6) with respect to time gives:

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 \dot{v}_i &= v_{xl} \dot{v}_{xl} \left[ \left( 1 + (-1)^i \frac{l_d}{R} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{l_r}{R} \right)^2 \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{v_{xl}^2}{R} \left[ -(-1)^i \frac{l_d}{R} - \left( \frac{l_d}{R} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{l_r}{R} \right)^2 \right] \dot{R} \\ &= v_{xl} \dot{v}_{xl} k_{1i} + \frac{v_{xl}^2}{R} k_{2i} \dot{R} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\text{where } k_{2i} = \left[ -(-1)^i \frac{l_d}{R} - \left( \frac{l_d}{R} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{l_r}{R} \right)^2 \right]$$

Plugging  $v_i$  from (5), (7) gives:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{v}_i &= \frac{v_{xl} \dot{v}_{xl} k_{1i} + \frac{v_{xl}^2}{R} k_{2i} \dot{R}}{v_{xl} \sqrt{k_{1i}}} \\ &= \frac{\dot{v}_{xl} k_{1i} + v_{xl} k_{2i} \frac{\dot{R}}{R}}{\sqrt{k_{1i}}} \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

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Squaring (8):

$$\dot{v}_i^2 = \dot{v}_{xl}^2 k_{1i} + \frac{2v_{xl}\dot{v}_{xl}k_{2i}\dot{R}}{R} + \frac{v_{xl}^2 k_{2i}^2 \dot{R}^2}{k_{1i}R^2} \quad (9)$$

Dividing (9) by (4):

$$\frac{\dot{v}_i^2}{R_i} = \frac{v_{xl}^2 k_{1i}}{R \sqrt{k_{1i}}} = \frac{v_{xl}^2 \sqrt{k_{1i}}}{R} \quad (10)$$

Using (9) and (10), (3) gives:

$$\begin{aligned} ||a_i||_2 &= \sqrt{\dot{v}_i^2 + \left(\frac{v_i^2}{R_i}\right)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\dot{v}_{xl}^2 k_{1i} + \frac{2v_{xl}\dot{v}_{xl}k_{2i}\dot{R}}{R} + \frac{v_{xl}^2 k_{2i}^2 \dot{R}^2}{k_{1i}} + \frac{v_{xl}^4 k_{1i}}{R^2}} \\ &= \sqrt{k_{1i} \left[ \dot{v}_{xl}^2 + \frac{v_{xl}^4}{R^2} \right] + \frac{2v_{xl}\dot{v}_{xl}k_{2i}\dot{R}}{R} + \frac{v_{xl}^2 k_{2i}^2 \dot{R}^2}{k_{1i}R^2}} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

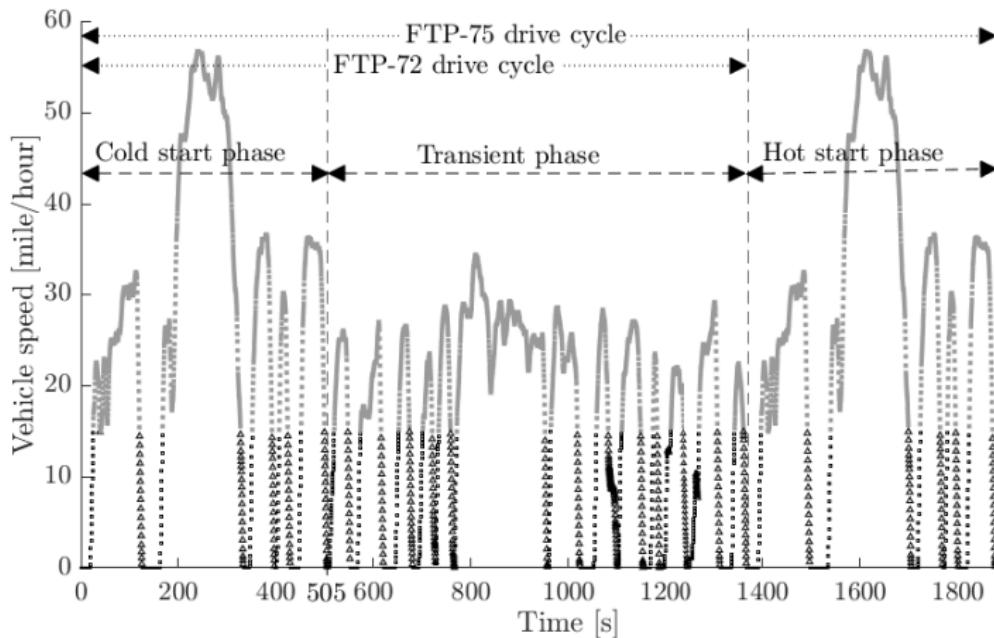
Assuming  $a_{CoG} = \sqrt{\dot{v}_{xl}^2 + \frac{v_{xl}^4}{R^2}}$  as the instantaneous acceleration at the CoG of the EV, (11) gives:

$$||a_i||_2 = \sqrt{k_{1i}a_{CoG}^2 + \frac{\dot{R}v_{xl}k_{2i}}{R} \left( \frac{v_{xl}k_{2i}}{Rk_{1i}}\dot{R} + 2\dot{v}_{xl} \right)} \quad (12)$$

where,  $k_{1i} = \left(1 + \frac{l_d}{R}(-1)^i\right)^2 + \left(\frac{l_r}{R}\right)^2$  and

$$k_{2i} = \left( -(-1)^i \frac{l_d}{R} - \left(\frac{l_d}{R}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{l_r}{R}\right)^2 \right).$$

# Power Efficiency $\approx$ Energy Efficiency?



Stages such as motor, motor controller, and mechanical transmission do not store energy, power efficiency for these stages are defined.

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