

# Wheel Power Management for AWD Vehicle Dynamics and Performance Optimization

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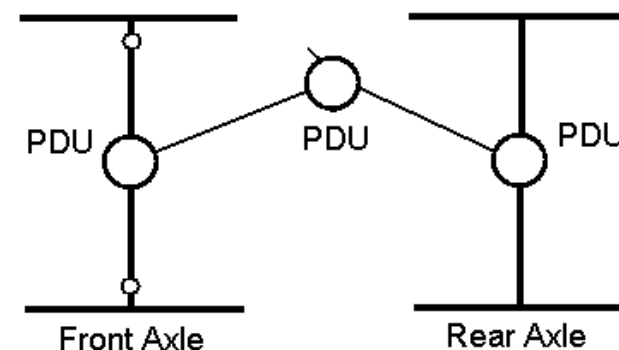
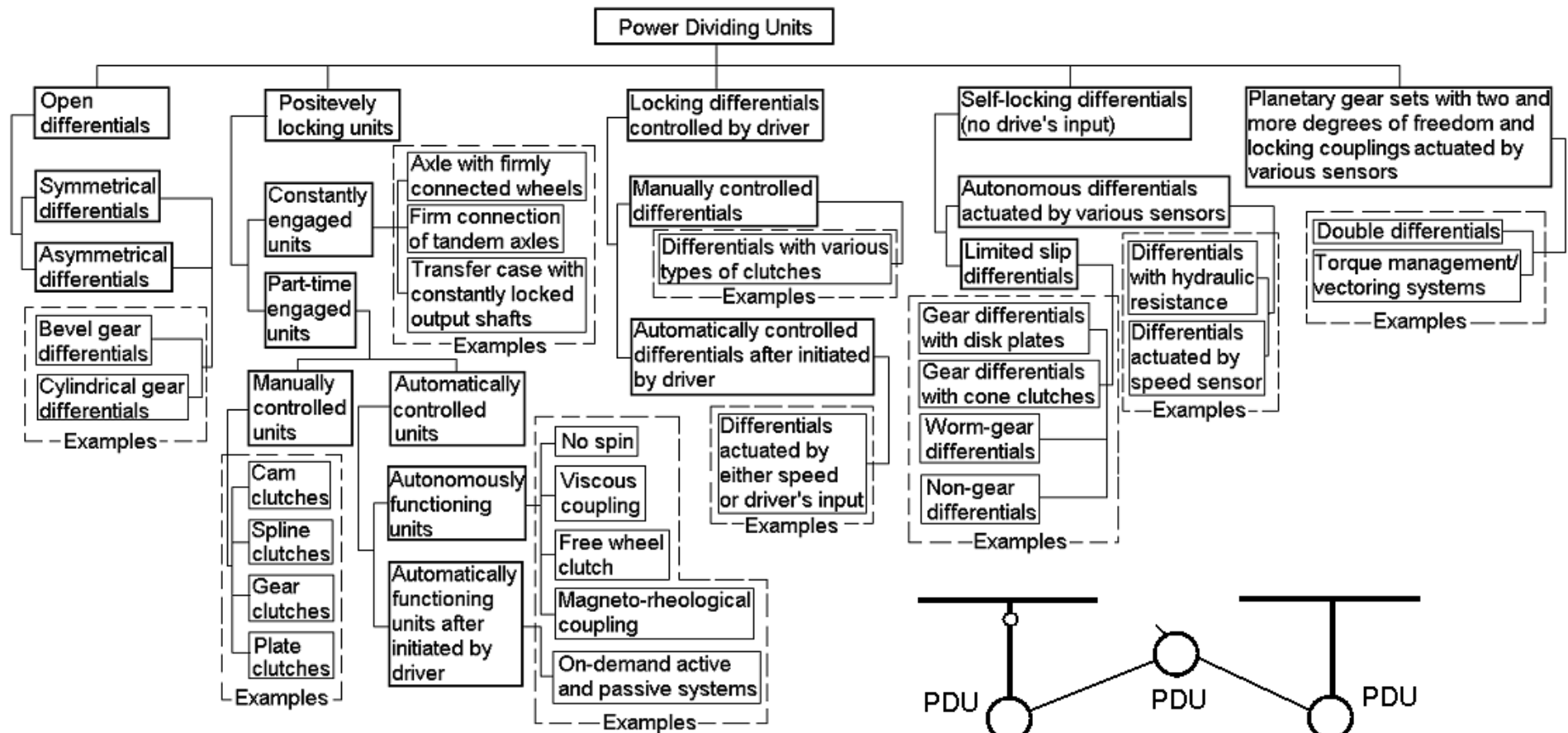


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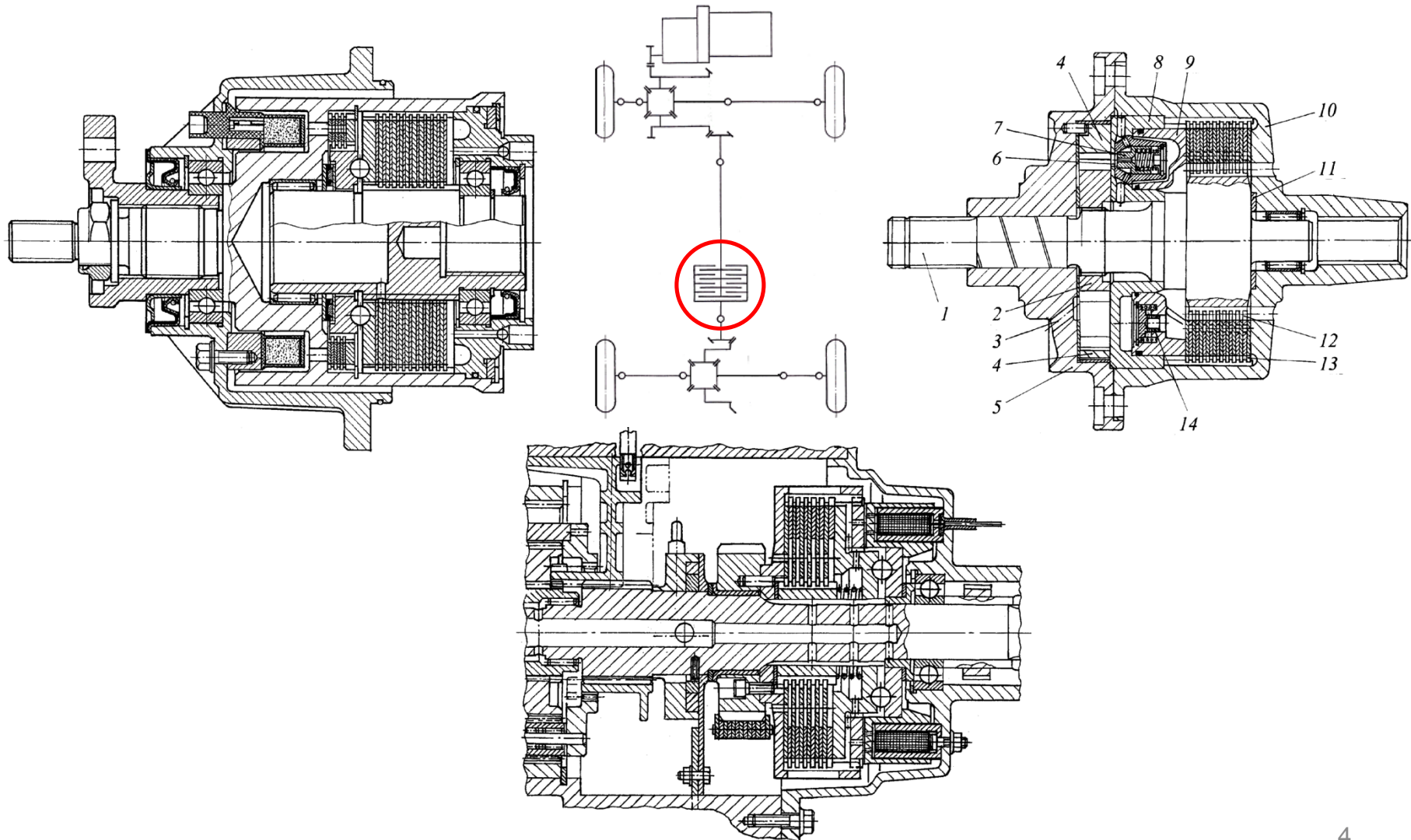
# OUTLINE

- Wheel Power Management Systems
- Tire Power Balance and Efficiency
- AWD Vehicle Power Balance and Energy/Fuel Efficiency
- Vehicle Lateral Dynamics and Wheel Power Distribution
- Vehicle Set up for Tire Power Balance Research
- AWD Vehicle Chassis Dynamometer with Individual Roll Control
- Conclusion

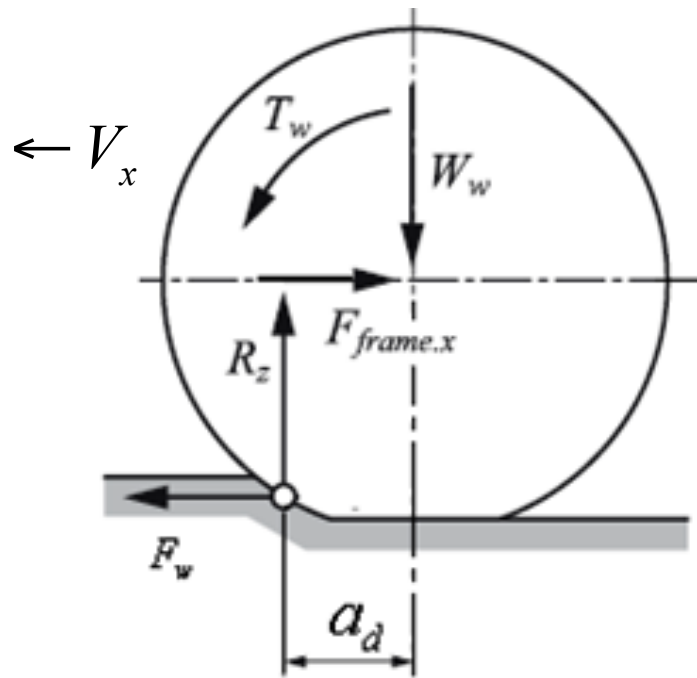
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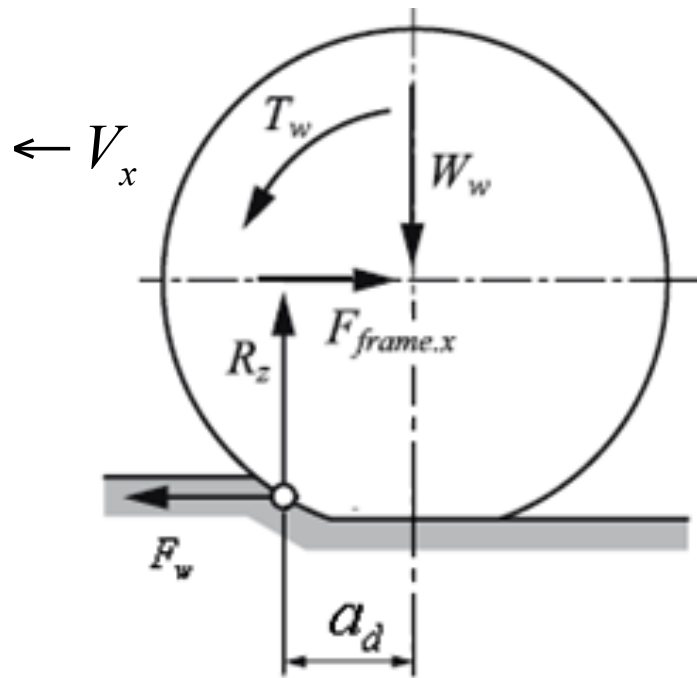
# TIRE POWER BALANCE



Steady motion

- Input Power comes from driveline system
- Output Power goes to vehicle chassis
- Power Losses occur due to tire/soil deflections

# TIRE POWER BALANCE



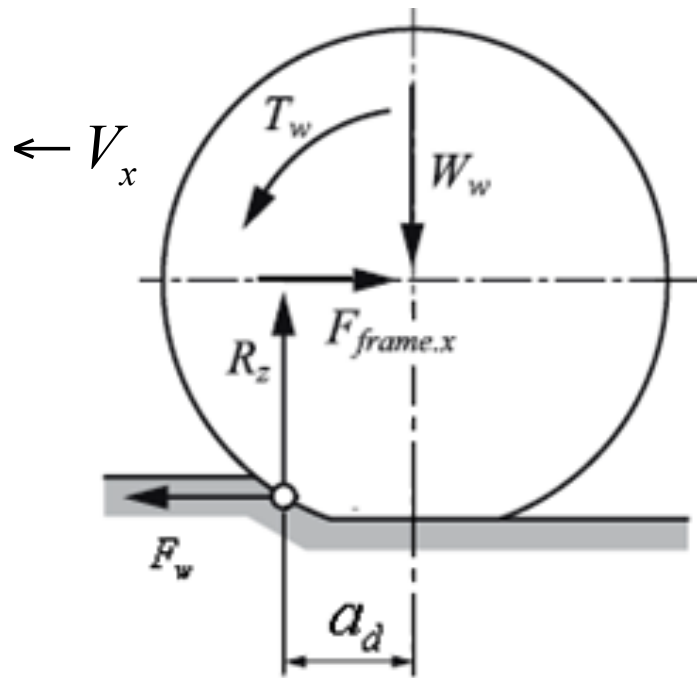
Input Power comes from driveline system:

$$P_w^{in} = T_w \omega_w$$

Output Power goes to vehicle chassis:

$$P_w^{out} = F_{frame.x} V_x = F_w V_x = F_w \omega_w r_w$$

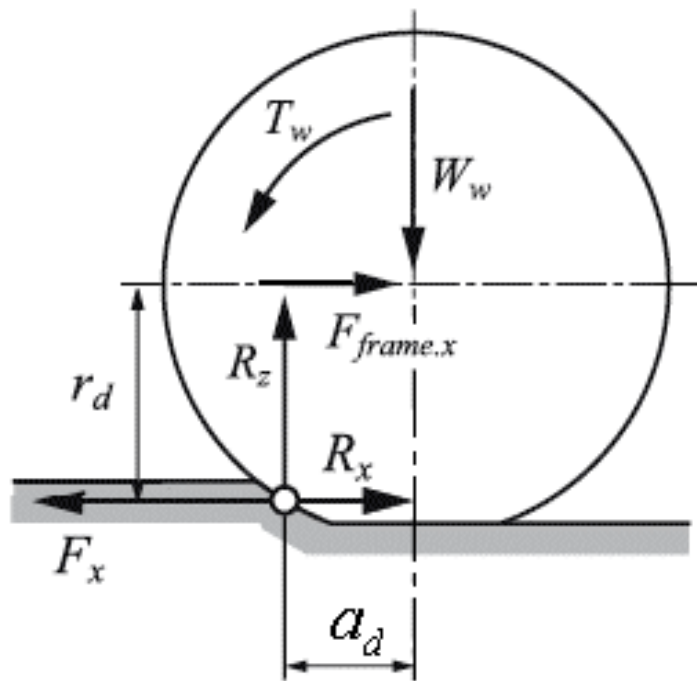
# TIRE POWER BALANCE



Power Losses due to tire and soil deflections:

- Normal Deflections
- Longitudinal Deflections

# TIRE POWER BALANCE



## Normal Deflections

### Rolling Resistance Power Loss

$$P_f = R_x V_x = R_z f V_x$$

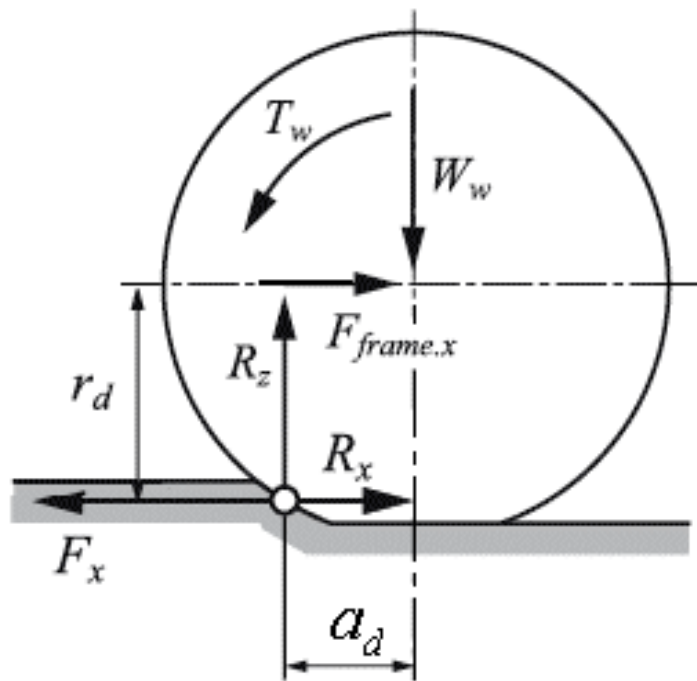


# TIRE POWER BALANCE



## Longitudinal Deflections

### Slip Power Loss



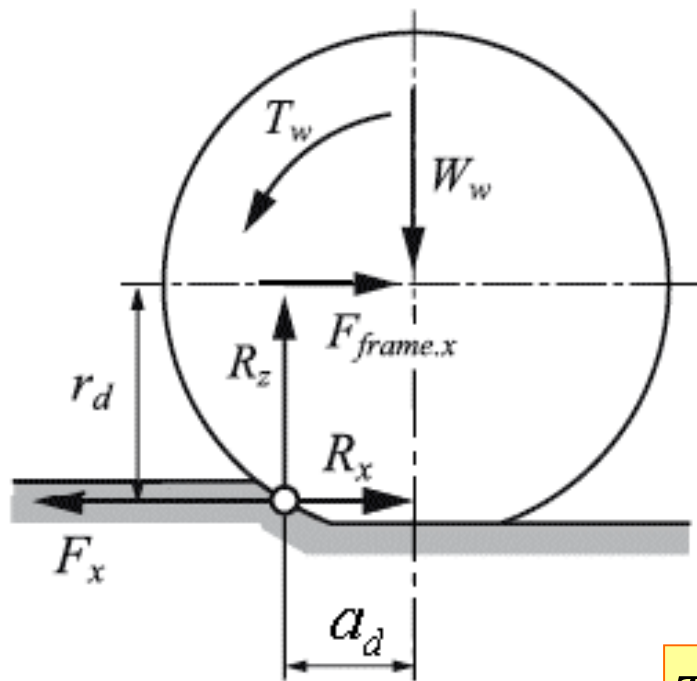
$$P_\delta = F_x V_\delta = F_x (V_t - V_x)$$

$$= F_x \omega_w (r_w^0 - r_w)$$

# TIRE POWER BALANCE



- Input Power comes from driveline system
- Rolling Resistance Power Loss occurs
- Slip Power Loss occurs
- Output Power goes to vehicle chassis



$$P_w^{in} = P_f + P_\delta + P_w^{out}$$

$$T_w \omega_w = R_x \omega_w r_w + F_x \omega_w (r_w^0 - r_w) + F_w \omega_w r_w$$

# TIRE ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Driving Mode



$$P_w^{in} = P_f + P_\delta + P_w^{out}$$

➤ Tractive Energy Efficiency

➤ Rolling Resistance Efficiency

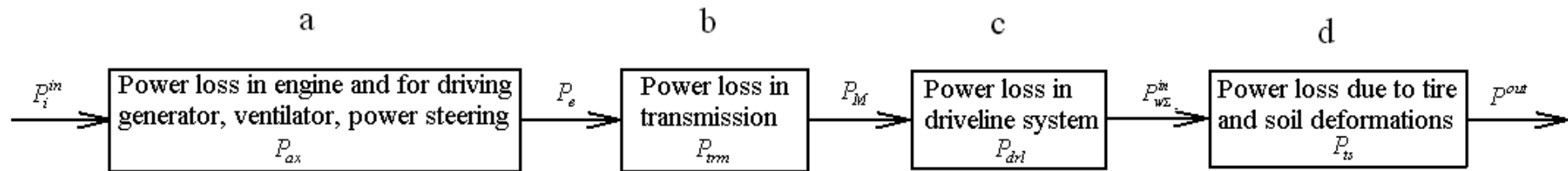
➤ Slip Efficiency

$$\eta_w^t = \frac{P_w^{out}}{P_w^{in}} = \frac{F_w V_x}{F_x V_t} = \frac{F_w}{F_x} \frac{V_x}{V_t} = \eta_{fw} \eta_{\delta w}$$

$$\eta_{fw} = \frac{F_w}{F_x} = \frac{F_x - R_x}{F_x} = 1 - \frac{R_x}{F_x}$$

$$\eta_{\delta w} = \frac{V_x}{V_t} = \frac{V_t - V_\delta}{V_t} = 1 - \frac{V_\delta}{V_t} = 1 - s_\delta$$

# POWER BALANCE OF VEHICLE



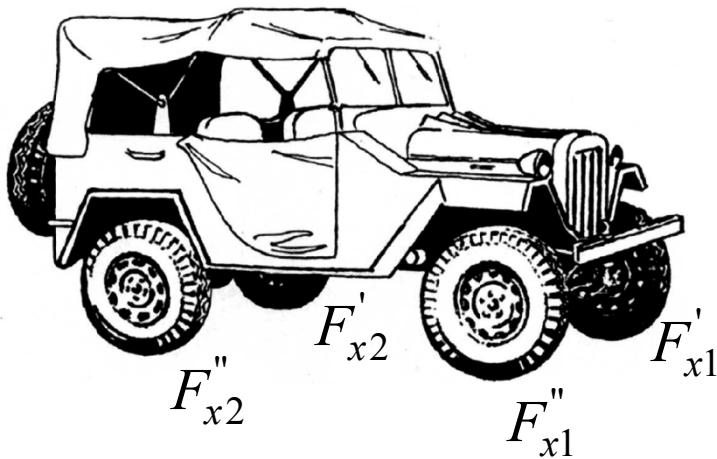
$$P_i^{in} = P_{ax} + P_{trm} + P_{drl} + P_{ts} + P^{out}$$

Tire power management is associated with

$$P_{ts} = P_{f\Sigma} + P_{\delta\Sigma}$$

# VEHICLE SLIP EFFICIENCY

$$\eta_{\delta} = \frac{P_{w\Sigma}^{in} - P_{\delta\Sigma}}{P_{w\Sigma}^{in}} = 1 - \frac{P_{\delta\Sigma}}{P_{w\Sigma}^{in}}$$



$$P_{w\Sigma}^{in} = \sum_{i=1}^2 P_{wi}^{in(')} = \sum_{i=1}^2 F_{xi}^{(')} V_{ti}^{(')}$$

$$P_{\delta\Sigma} = \sum_{i=1}^2 P_{\delta i}^{(')} = \sum_{i=1}^2 F_{xi}^{(')} V_{ti}^{(')} s_{\delta i}^{(')}$$

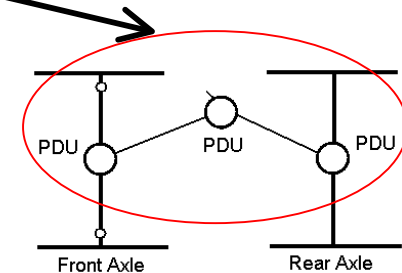
Substituting  $V_{ti}^{(')} = V_x / (1 - s_{\delta i}^{(')})$  into the above formulas, we obtain...

# VEHICLE SLIP EFFICIENCY

$$\eta_{\delta} = \frac{F_{x\Sigma}}{F_{x\Sigma} + \sum_{i=1}^2 (F'_{xi}s'_{\delta i} / (1 - s'_{\delta i}) + F''_{xi}s''_{\delta i} / (1 - s''_{\delta i}))}$$

here, the total circumferential force is

$$F_{x\Sigma} = \sum_{i=1}^2 (F'_{xi} + F''_{xi}) = \sum_{i=1}^2 R'_{xi} + \sum_{j=1}^{sum} F_j$$

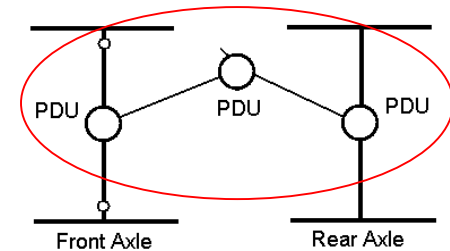
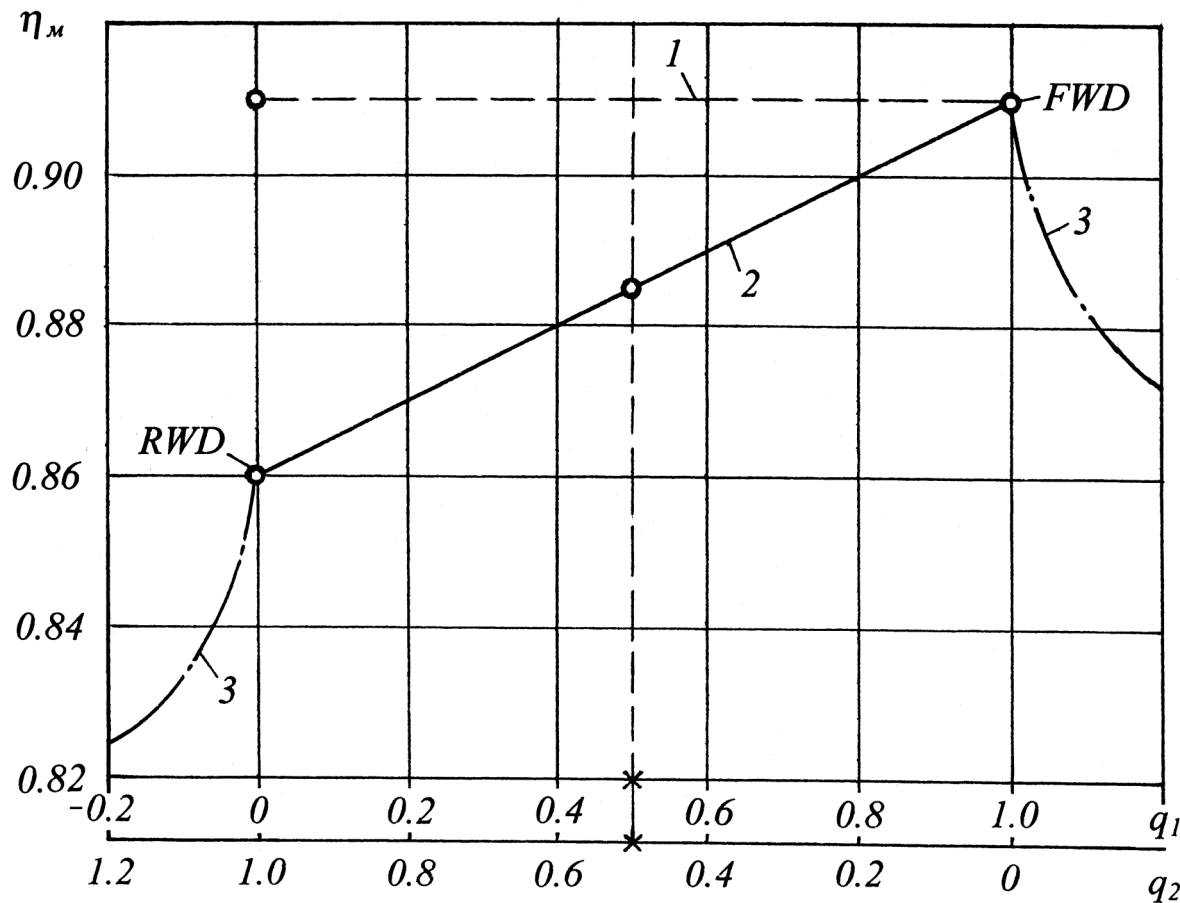


## Conclusion:

Slip efficiency of multi-wheel drive vehicles depends on

- (i) both the total circumferential force and
- (ii) its distribution among the drive wheels

# MECHANICAL POWER LOSSES IN POWER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



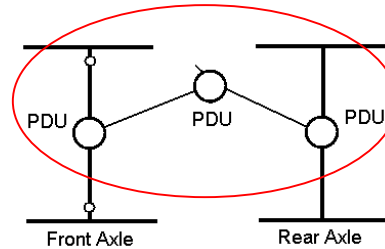
$$\eta_M = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^{p_1} \frac{q_i}{\eta_{Mi}^{pos}} + \sum_{i=1}^{p_2} q_i \eta_{Mi}^{neg}}$$

$$q_i = \frac{P_{wi}^{in}}{P_{w\Sigma}^{in}} = \frac{P_{wi}^{in}}{\sum_{i=1}^n P_{wi}^{in}}$$

# VEHICLE FUEL EFFICIENCY

$$Q_s = \frac{Q_h}{V_x} = \frac{g_e P_e}{V_x} \quad \text{gram / km}$$

$$P_e = P_{trm} + P_{drl} + P_{\delta\Sigma} + P_{f\Sigma} + P^{out}$$



$$P_{drl} = P_{w\Sigma}^{in} (1 - \eta_M) / \eta_M$$

$$P_{\delta\Sigma} = P_{w\Sigma}^{in} (1 - \eta_\delta)$$

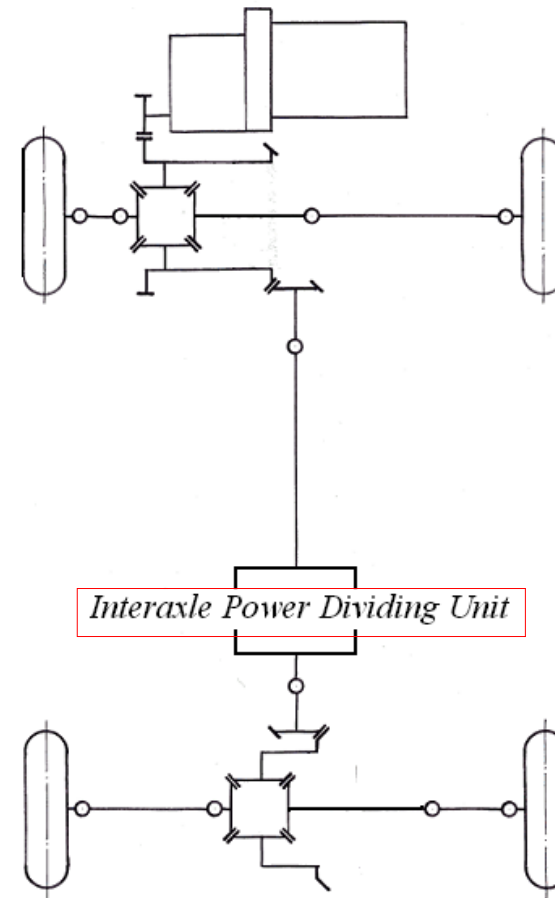
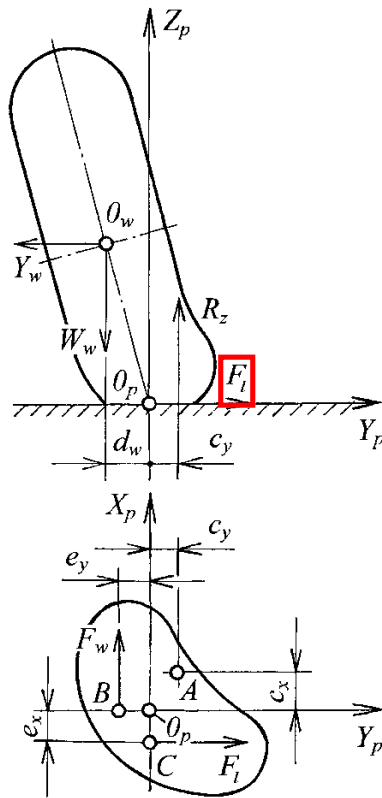
$$P_{w\Sigma}^{in} = \sum_{i=1}^n T_{wi}^{(')} \omega_{wi}^{(')} = \sum_{i=1}^n F_{xi}^{(')} V_{ti}^{(')}$$

$$Q_s = \frac{g_e}{V_x} \left[ P_{trm} + \sum_{i=1}^n T_{wi}^{(')} \omega_{wi}^{(')} (1 - \eta_M) / \eta_M + \sum_{i=1}^n T_{wi}^{(')} \omega_{wi}^{(')} (1 - \eta_\delta) + P_{f\Sigma} + P^{out} \right]$$



# VEHICLE LATERAL DYNAMICS

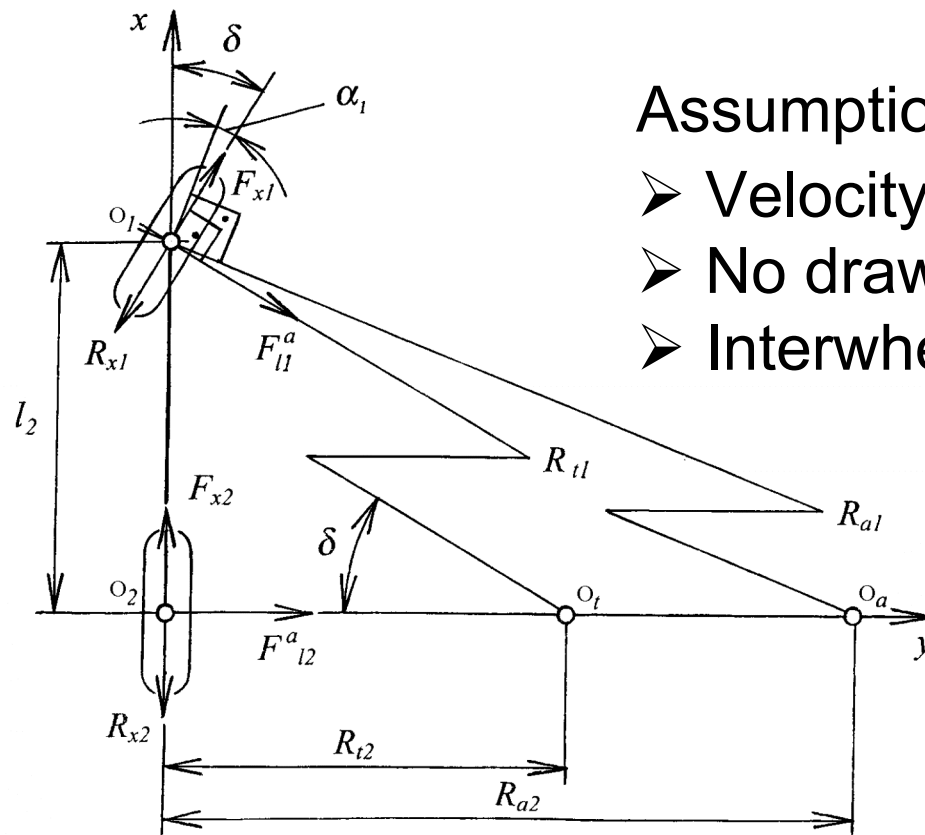
$$F_l = F_l^{inertia} + F_l^{drawbar} + F_l^{suspension} + F_l^w + F_l^a$$



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Interaxle PDU



Assumptions:

- Velocity is small (no inertia forces)
- No draw bar pull
- Interwheel differentials are open

$$\Sigma M_{01} = 0 \quad \Sigma M_{02} = 0$$

$$F_{l2}^a = 0$$

$$F_{l1}^a = (R_{x1} - F_{x1}) \tan \delta$$

# VEHICLE LATERAL DYNAMICS

## Analyze Results

- Interaxle PDUs do not make any impact on the rear tire lateral force and rear tire side-slip angle:

$$F_{l2}^a = 0$$

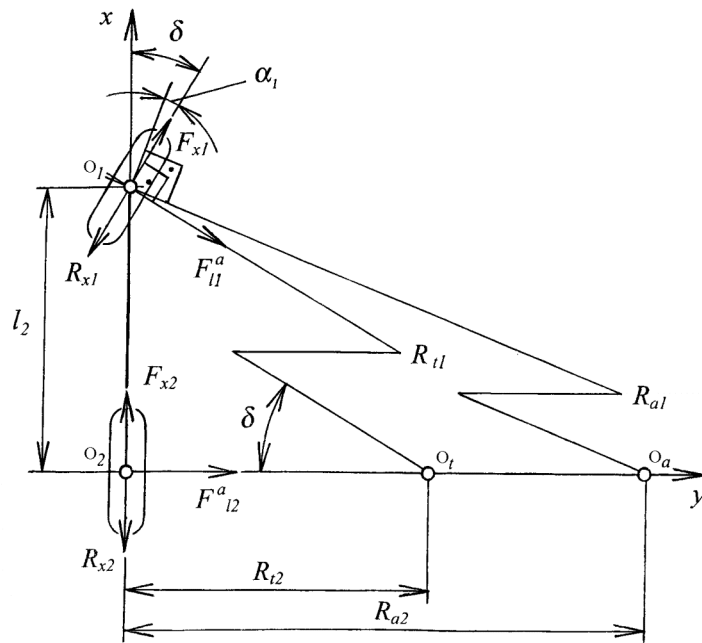
- Interaxle PDUs do make an impact on the front tire lateral force and front tire side-slip angle:

$$F_{l1}^a = (R_{x1} - F_{x1}) \tan \delta$$

- By changing the front tire circumferential force  $F_{x1}$ , interaxle PDUs impact both the magnitude and direction (sense) of force  $F_{l1}^a$

# VEHICLE LATERAL DYNAMICS

$$F_{l1}^a = (R_{x1} - F_{x1}) \tan \delta$$



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- The diagram illustrates the forces and geometry for vehicle steering analysis. It shows a front view of a vehicle with centers of gravity  $O_1$  and  $O_2$ , and a reference point  $O_a$ . Forces  $F_{x1}$ ,  $R_{x1}$ ,  $F_{x2}$ , and  $R_{x2}$  are shown at  $O_1$  and  $O_2$ . Resultant forces  $R_{tl}$ ,  $R_{ai}$ ,  $R_{it}$ , and  $R_{ait}$  are shown at  $O_1$  and  $O_a$ . Angles  $\delta$  and  $\alpha_1$  are indicated. Distances  $R_{l2}$ ,  $R_{a2}$ ,  $R_{it}$ , and  $R_{ai}$  are also shown.
1. When  $F_{x1} = R_{x1}$  , the front lateral force is zero. No impact on vehicle turnability.
  2. When  $0 < F_{x1} < R_{x1}$  , the front lateral force contributes understeering.
  3. When  $F_{x1} < 0$  , the front lateral force dramatically increases. This results in increased understeering.
  4. When  $F_{x1} > R_{x1}$  , the front lateral force changes its direction and contributes oversteering. This results in  $R_a < R_t$  .

# VEHICLE SET UP FOR TIRE POWER BALANCE RESEARCH

$$P_w^{in} = P_f + P_\delta + P_w^{out}$$



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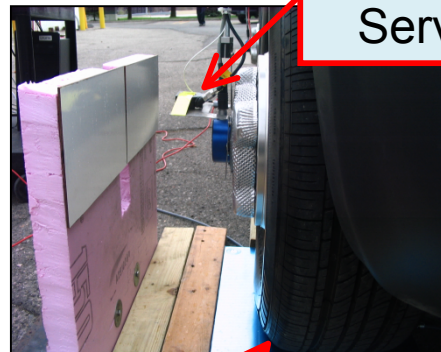


National Instruments cRIO-9104

Computer Control Unit



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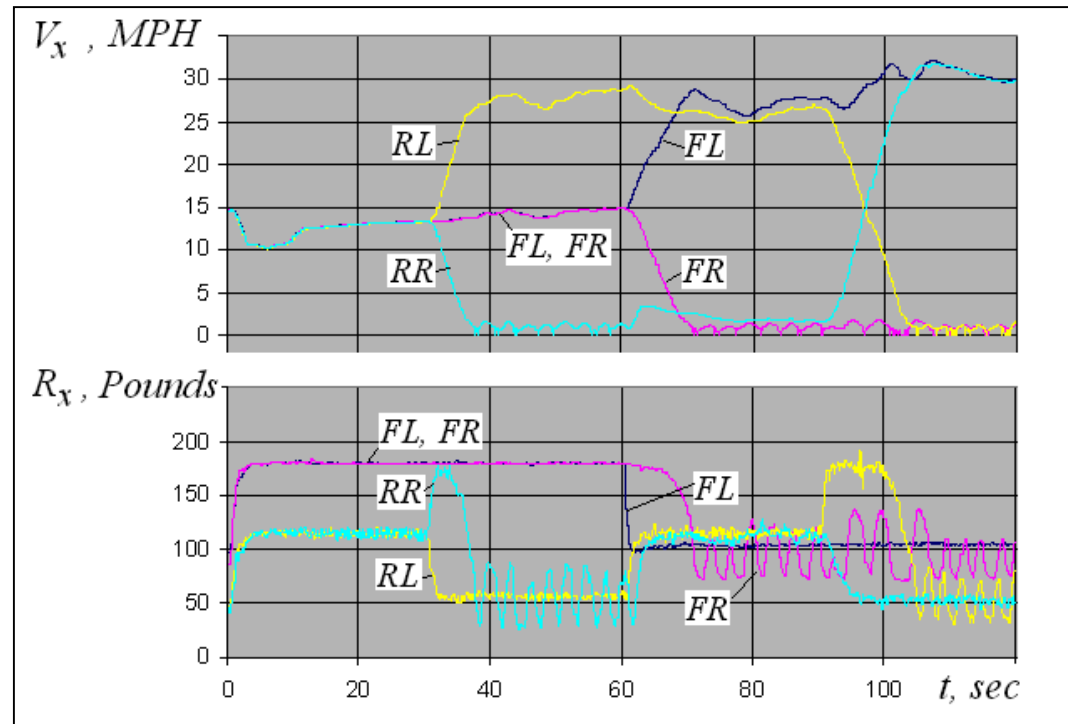


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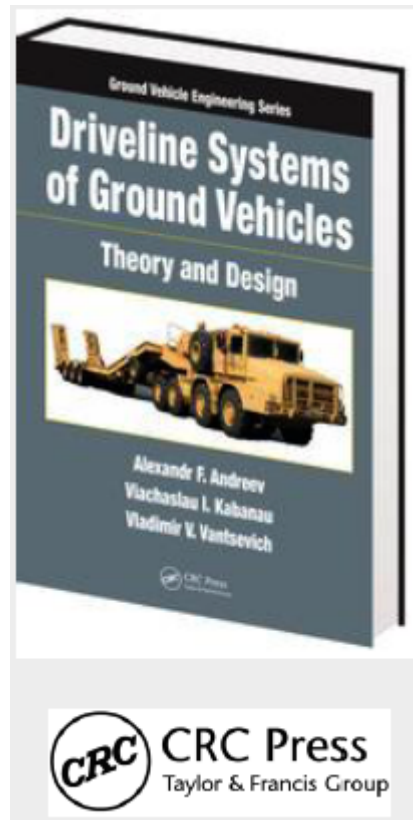
# AWD VEHICLE CHASSIS DYNAMOMETER WITH INDIVIDUAL ROLL CONTROL



# CONCLUSION

1. Wheel power management systems influence AWD vehicle dynamics and fuel consumption by impacting
  - Tire slip power and mechanical power losses which depend on power distribution between the driving wheels
  - Front tire lateral forces which depend on power distribution between the drive axles
2. Analytical methods were presented for mechanical and slip power losses and lateral forces evaluation in AWD vehicles
3. Vehicle set up and AWD chassis dynamometer were developed for experimental research of wheel power distributions and wheel power management systems





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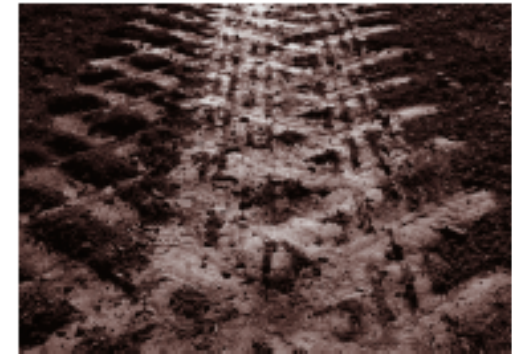
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