



# An Introduction to Tire Modelling for Multibody Dynamics Simulation

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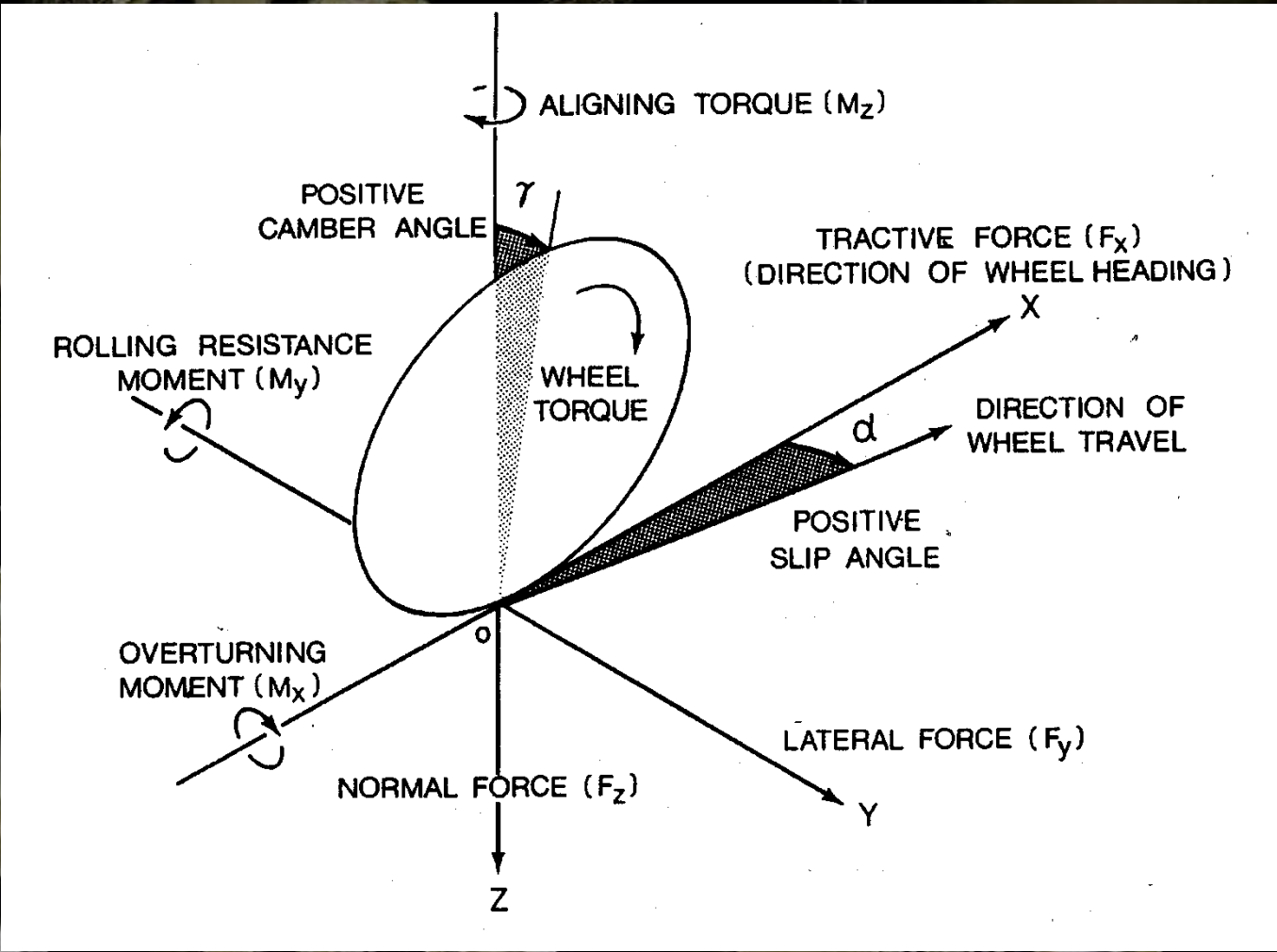
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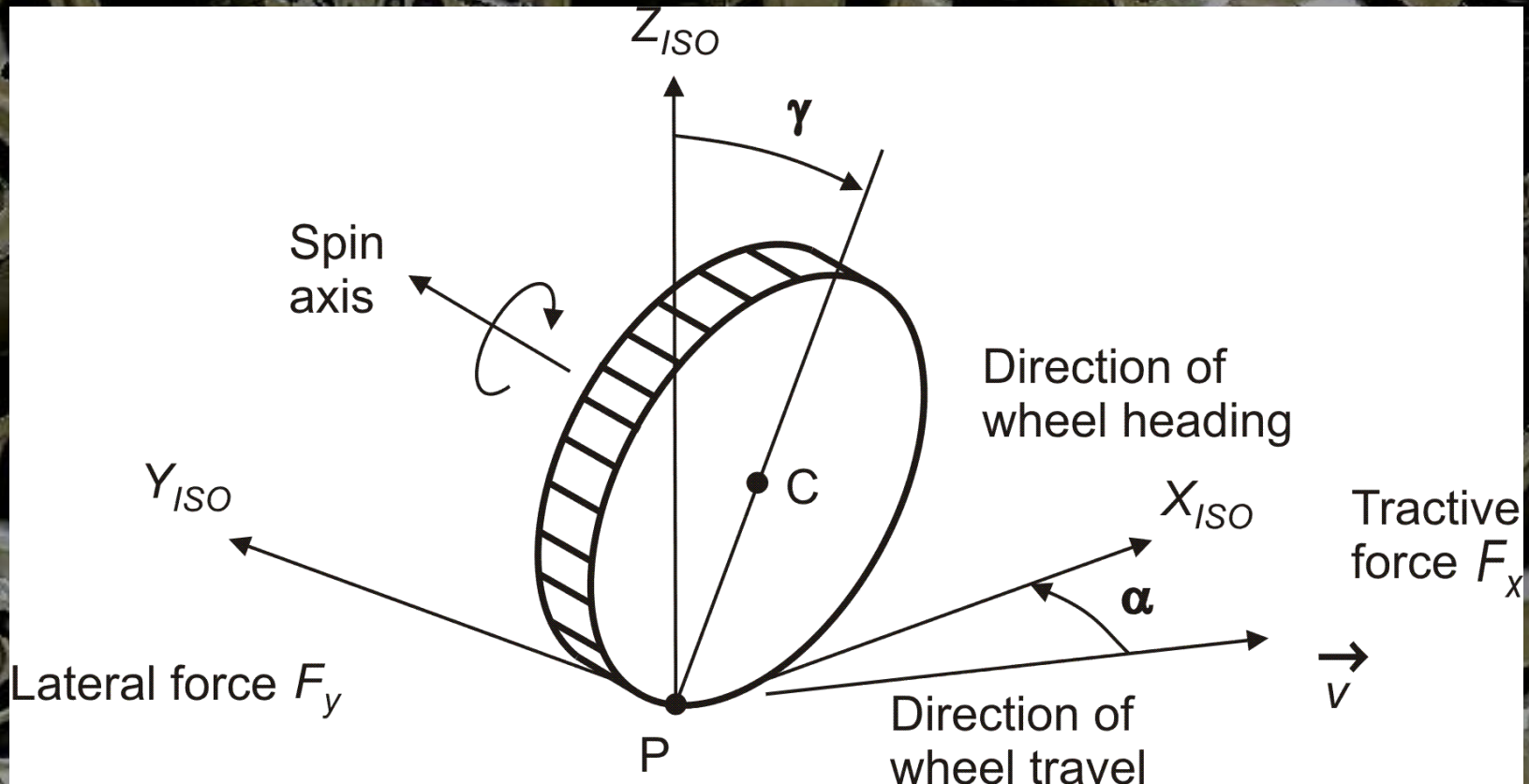
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# SAE Axis System

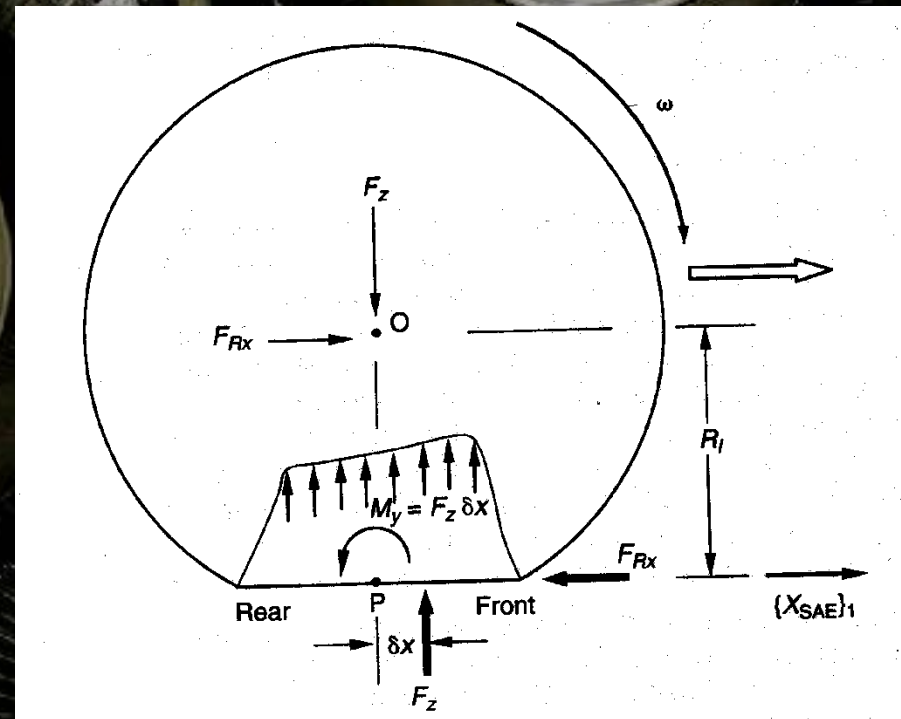
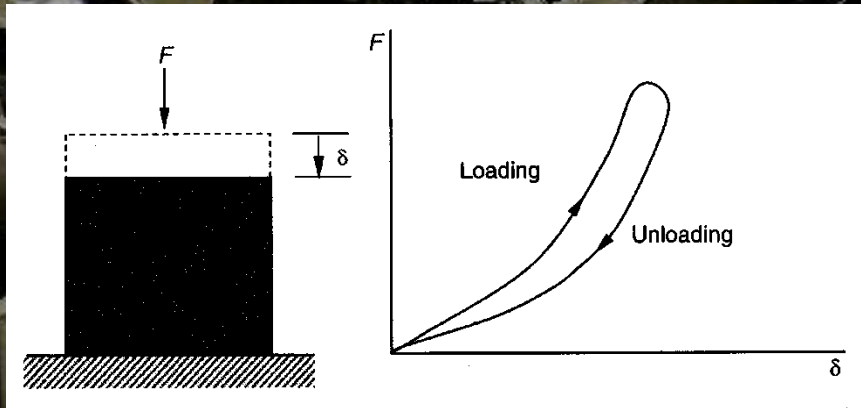


# ISO Axis System



# Rolling Resistance ( $M_y$ )

Produced by hysteresis in tire tread and sidewall rubber



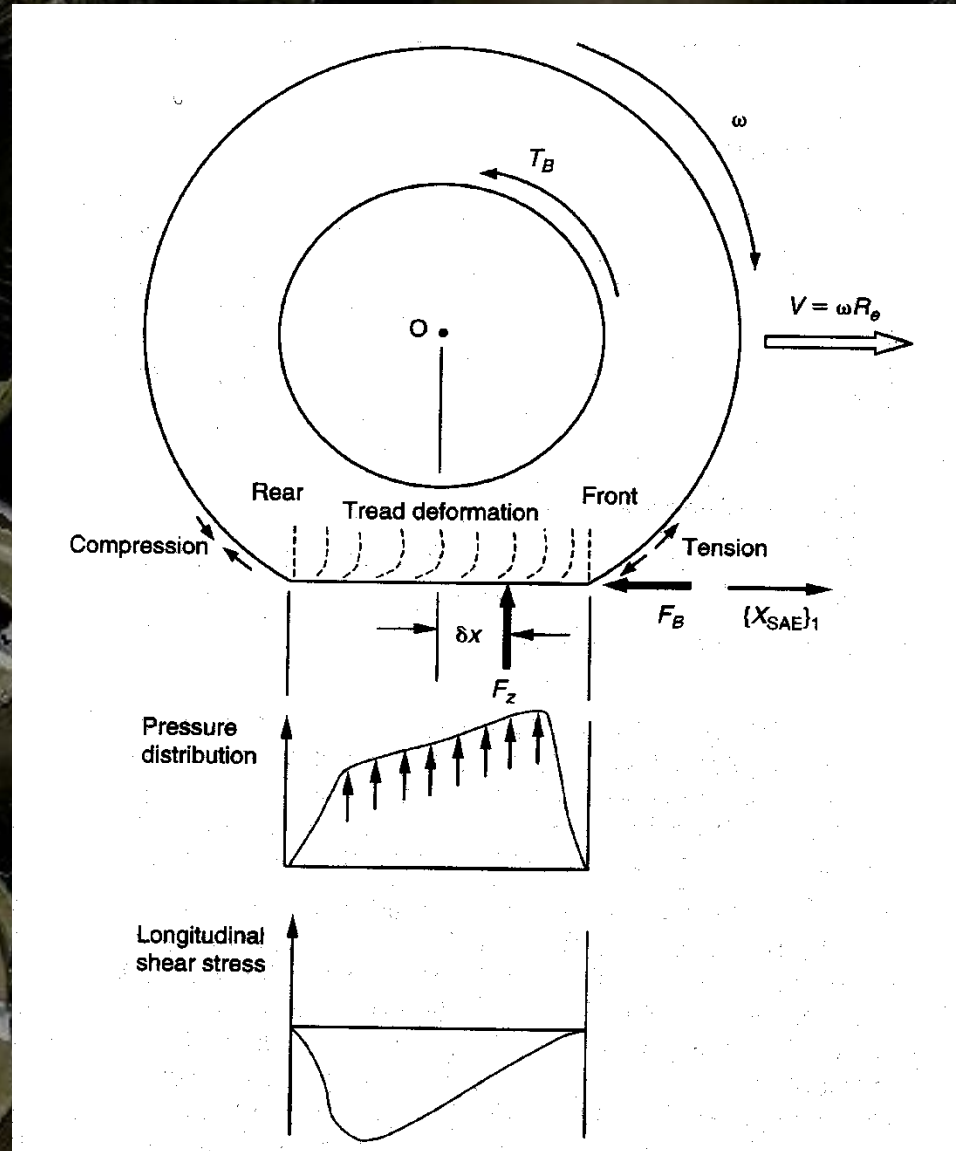
Normal force  $F_z$  is integral of the distributed load

$$M_y = (F_z)(\delta x)$$

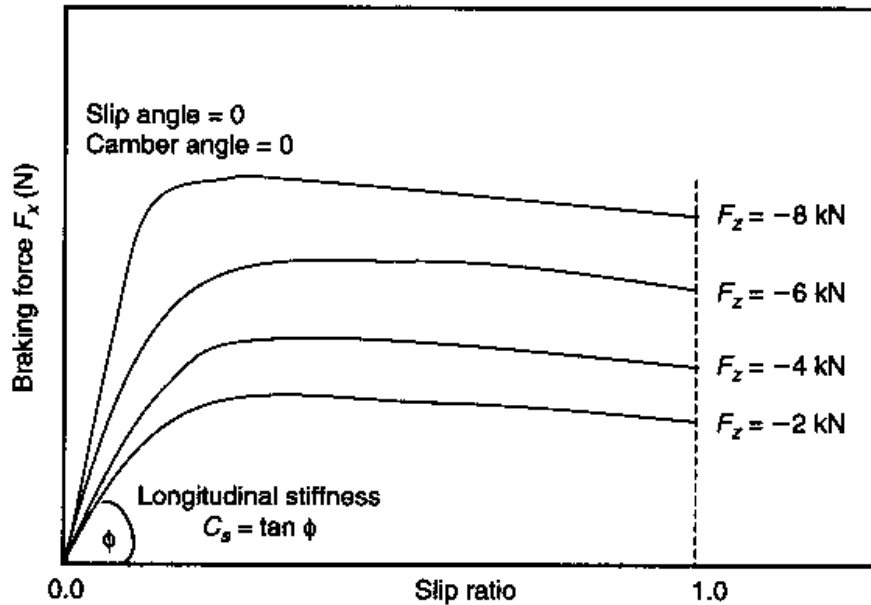
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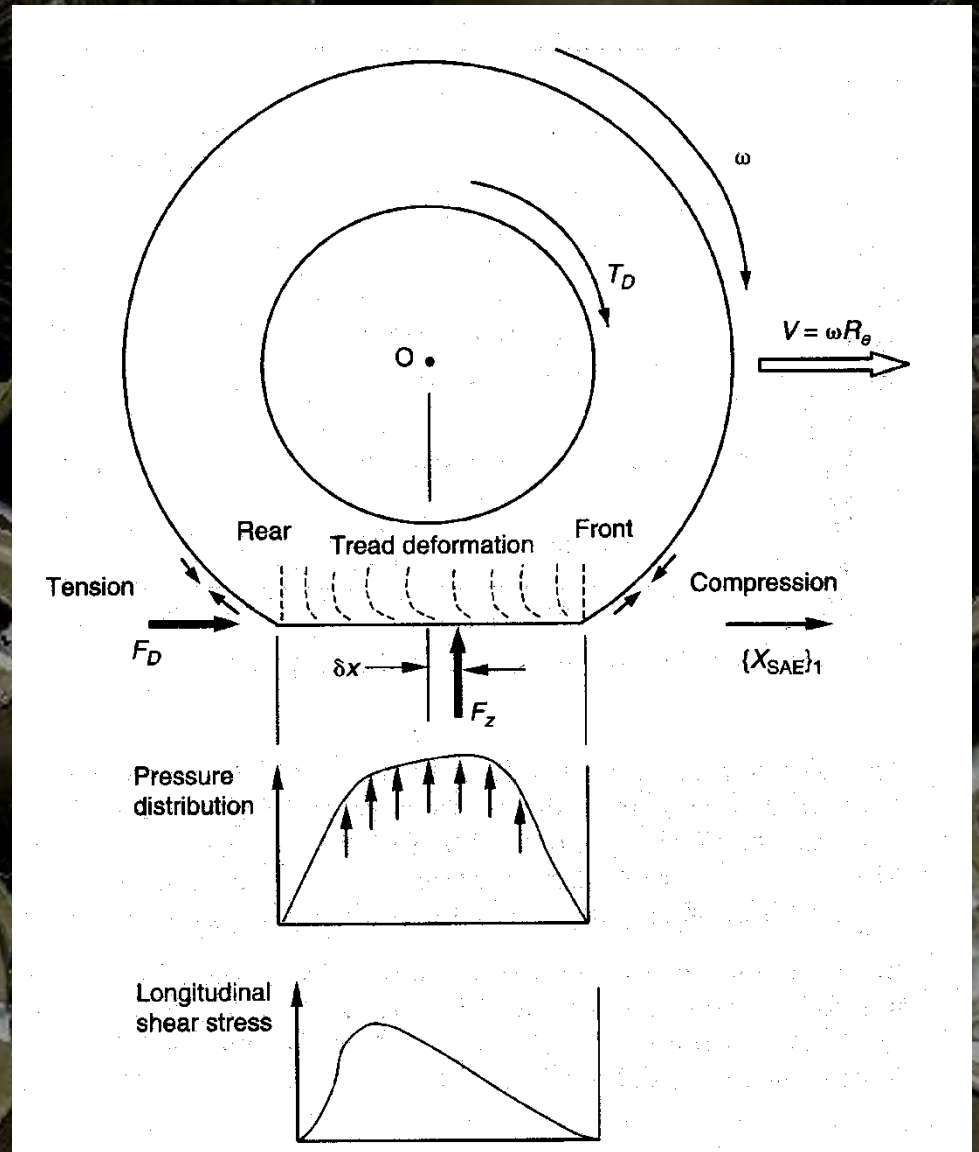
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Longitudinal Stiffness,  $C_s$ , is the slope of the  $F_x$  vs.  $S$  curve at  $S=0$

# Driving Force ( $F_x$ )

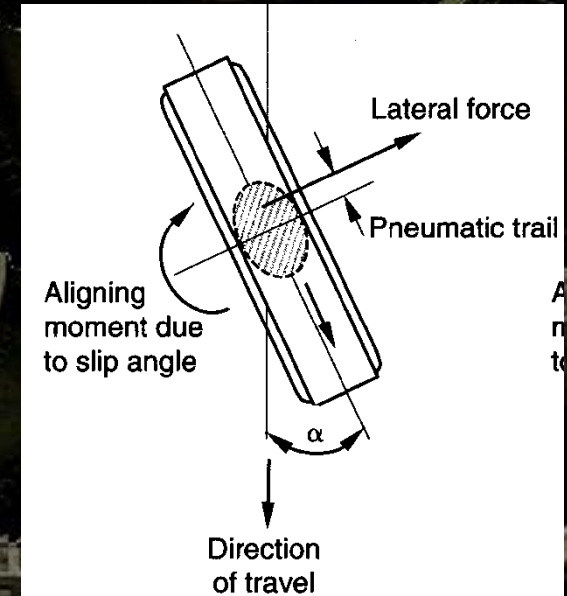
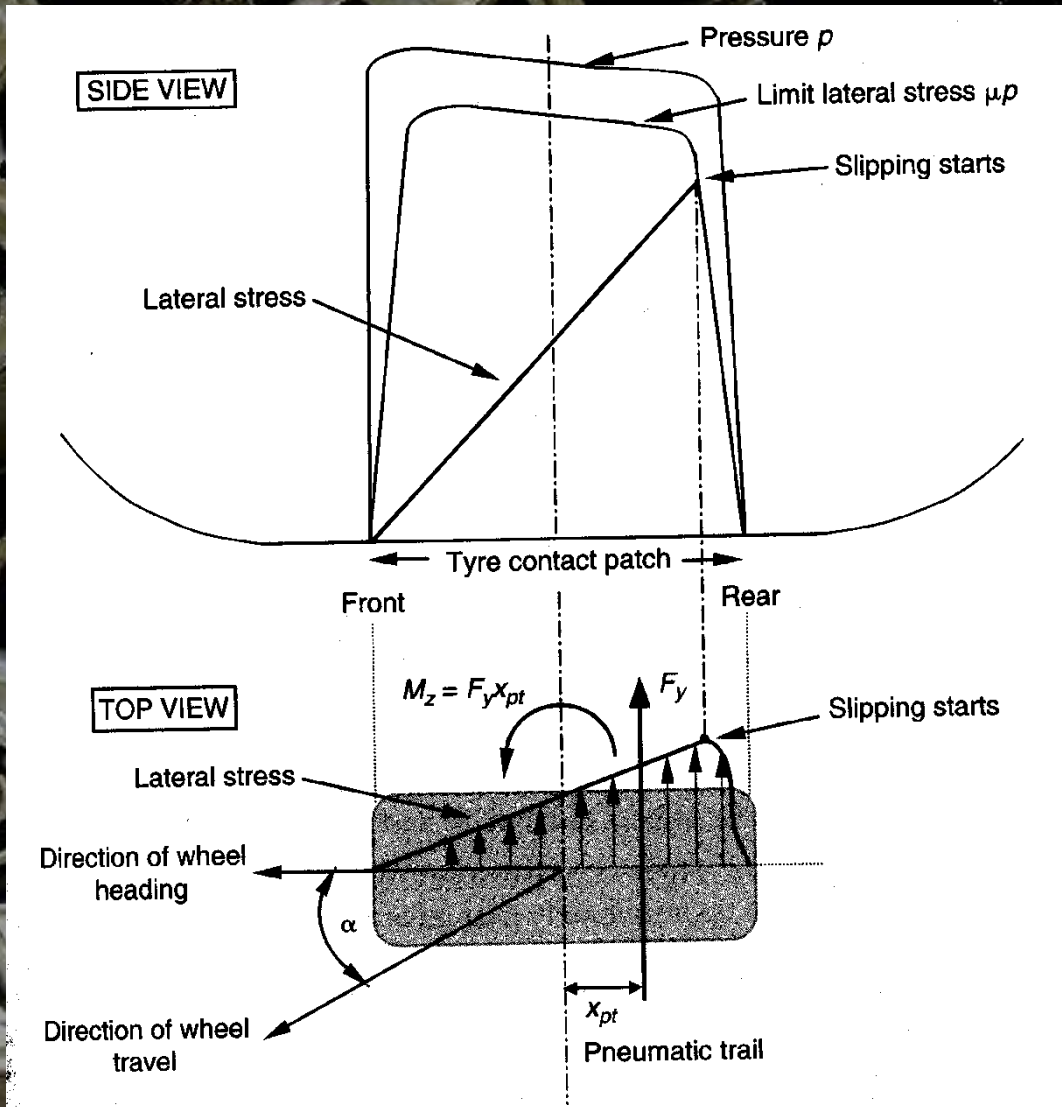
$$S = (wR - V) / wR$$

$$0 < S < 1$$

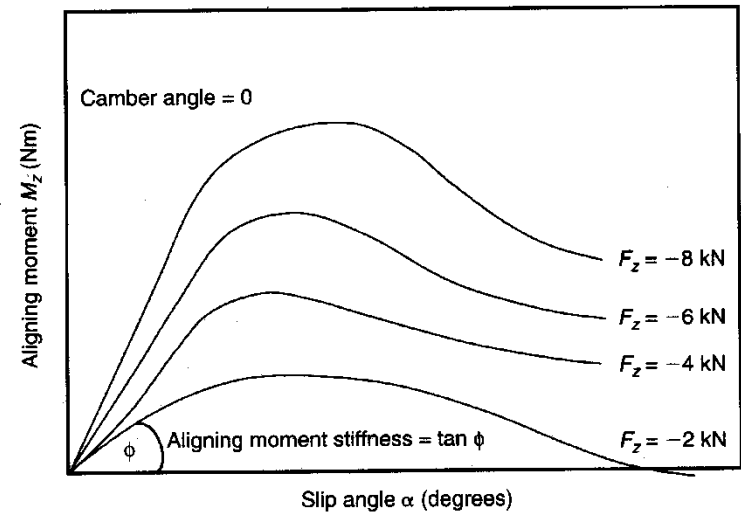
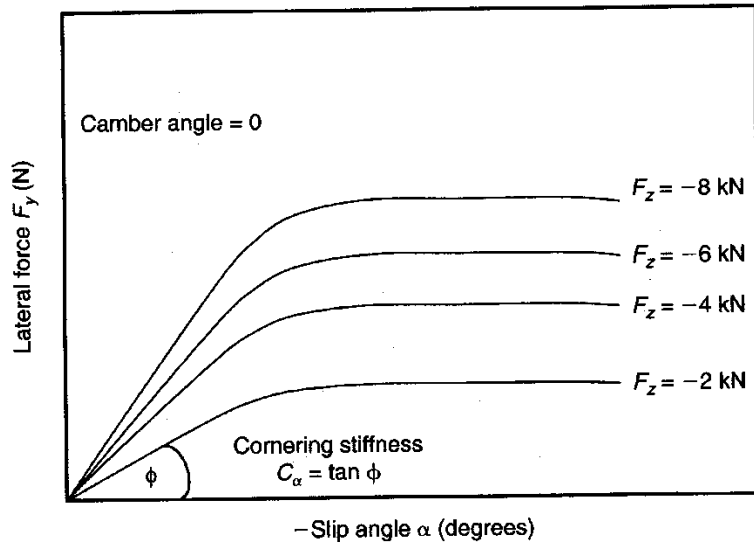




# Lateral Force ( $F_y$ ) and Aligning Moment ( $M_z$ )

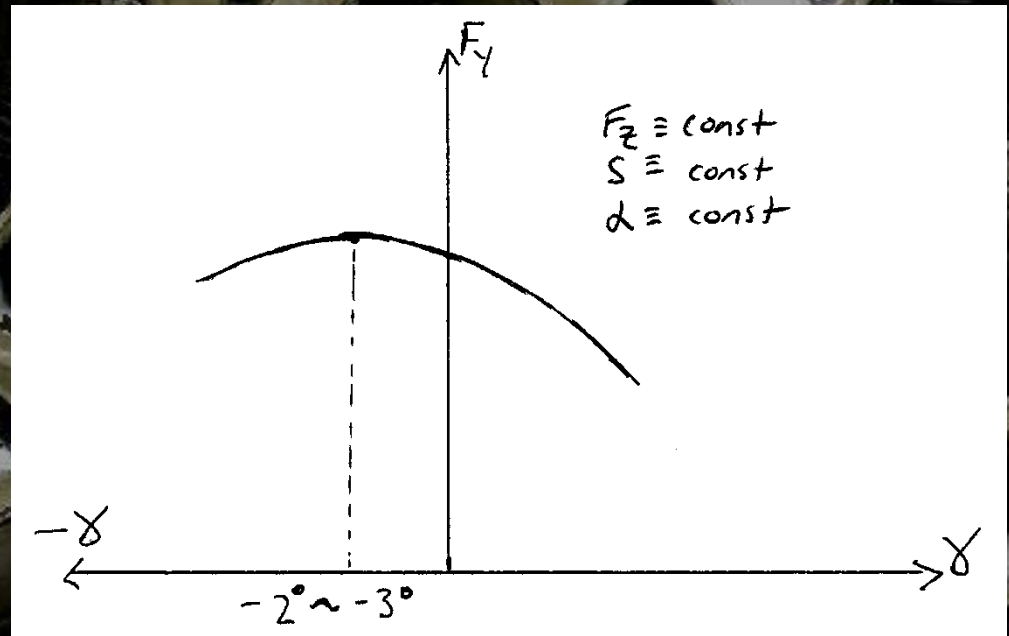
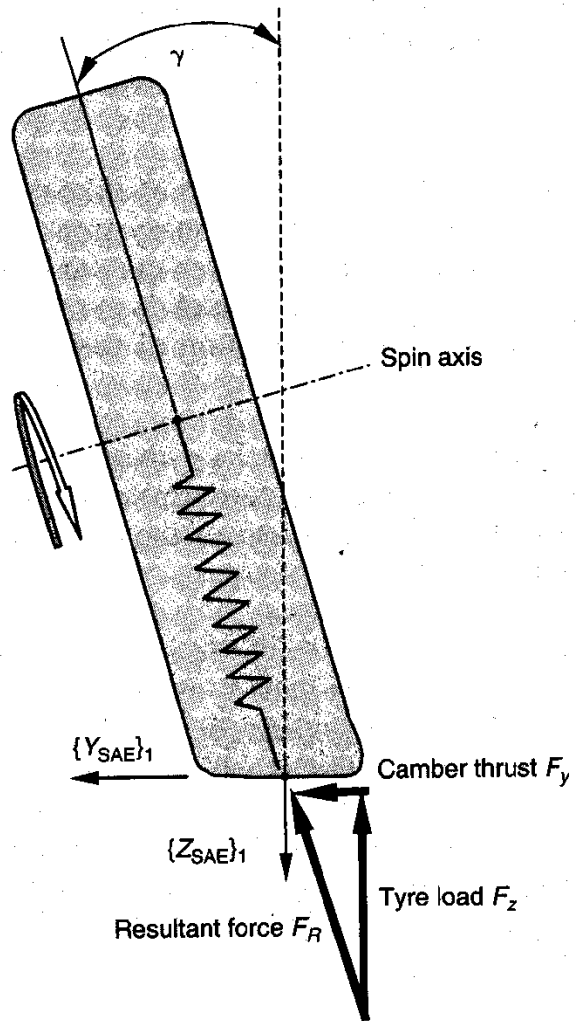


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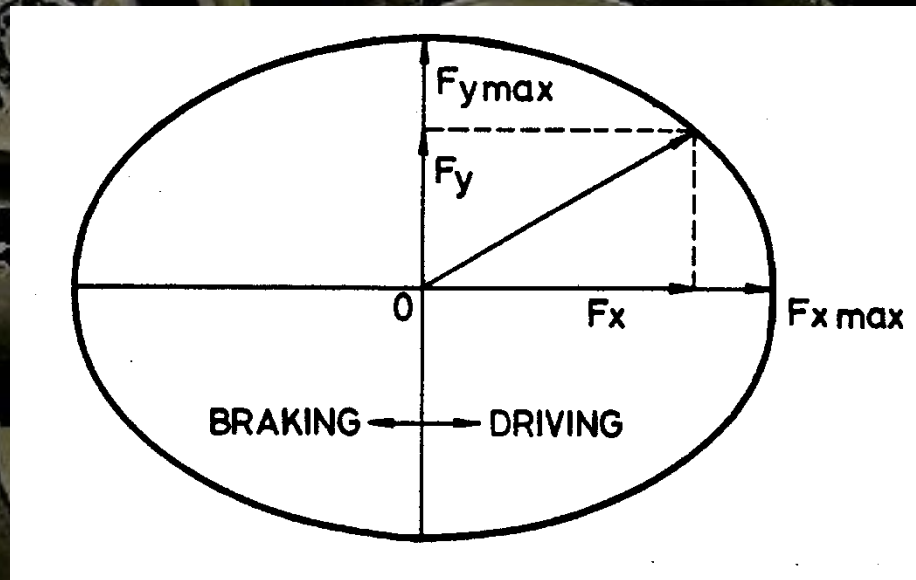


Cornering Stiffness,  $C_\alpha$ , is the slope of the  $F_y$  vs.  $\alpha$  curve at  $\alpha=0$

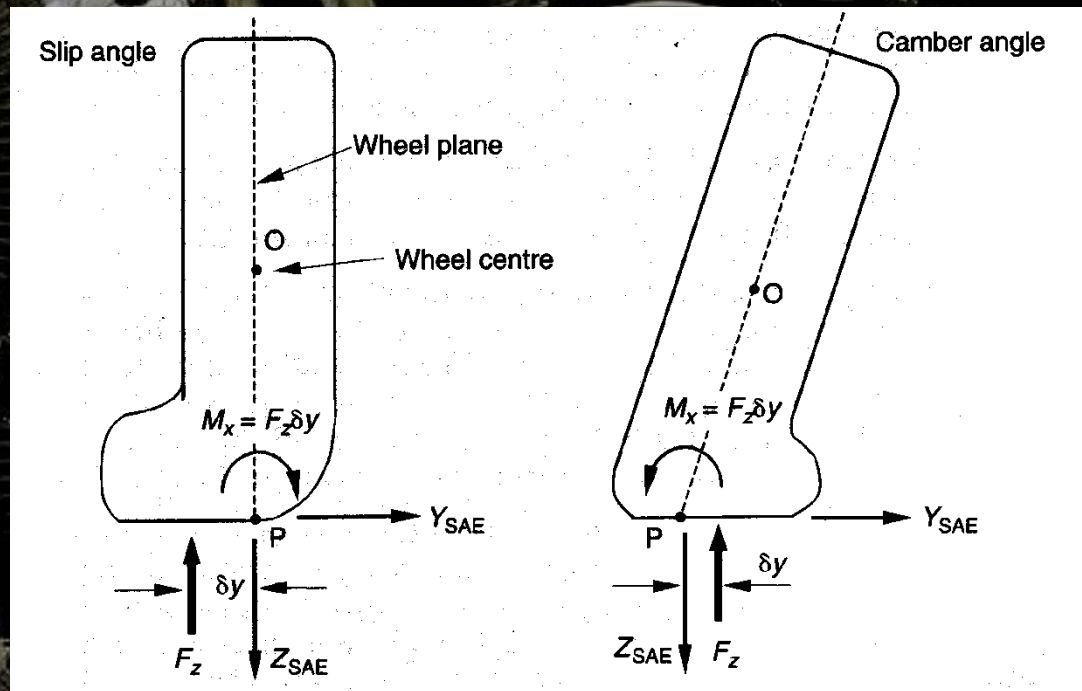
# Effect of Camber Angle ( $\gamma$ ) on Lateral Force ( $F_y$ )



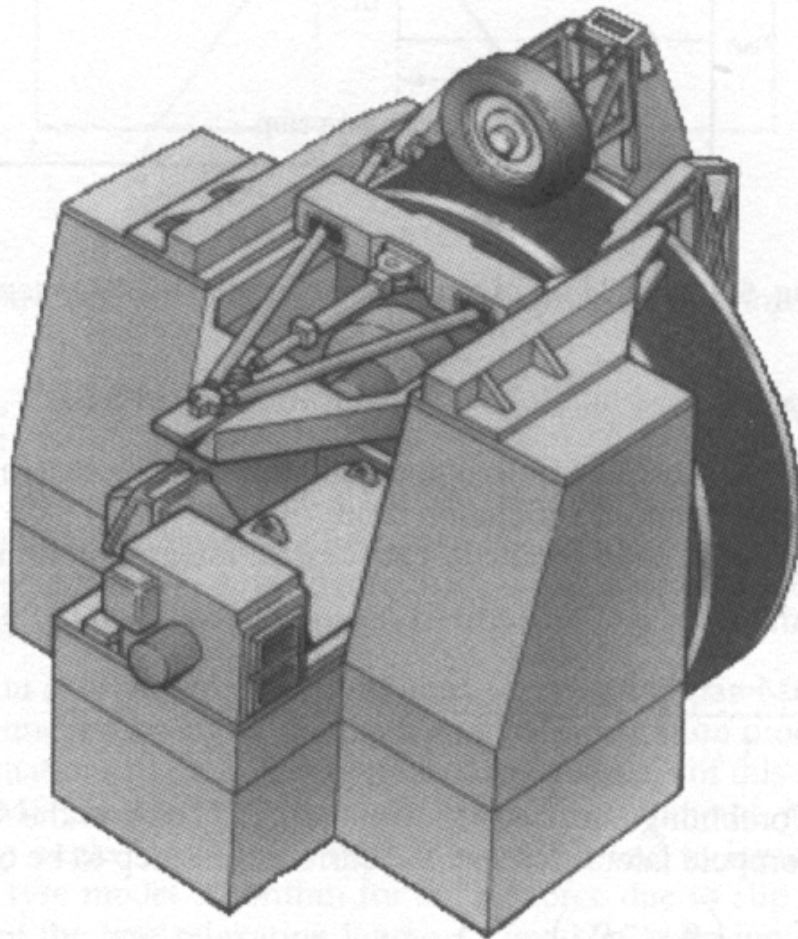
# Combined Slip ( $F_x$ AND $F_y$ )



# Overturning Moment ( $M_x$ )



# Characterizing a Pneumatic Tire: Physical Testing



$F_z = \text{normal force}$

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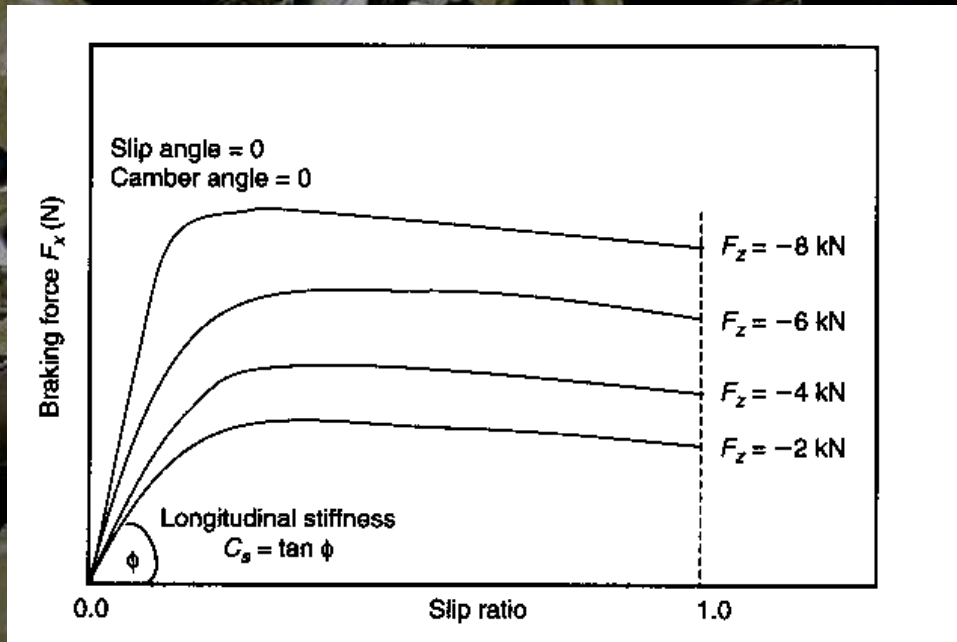


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# Data From Physical Tests



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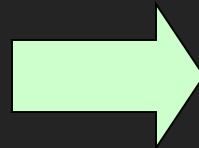
Consider how  $F_x$  varies with  $F_z, S, \alpha, \gamma$  :  $20^4 =$

160 000 data points  
 $\times 5 = 800$  000 data points

# Tire Models: Mathematical Functions to Fit Measured Data

Fiala: 6 parameters needed to describe a tire

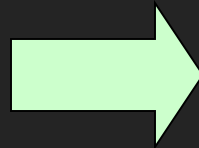
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$$\begin{aligned}F_x &= F_x(S) \\F_y &= F_y(\alpha) \\M_x &= 0 \\M_y &= M_y(Fz) \\M_z &= M_z(\alpha)\end{aligned}$$

Pacejka 2002 : 117 parameters needed

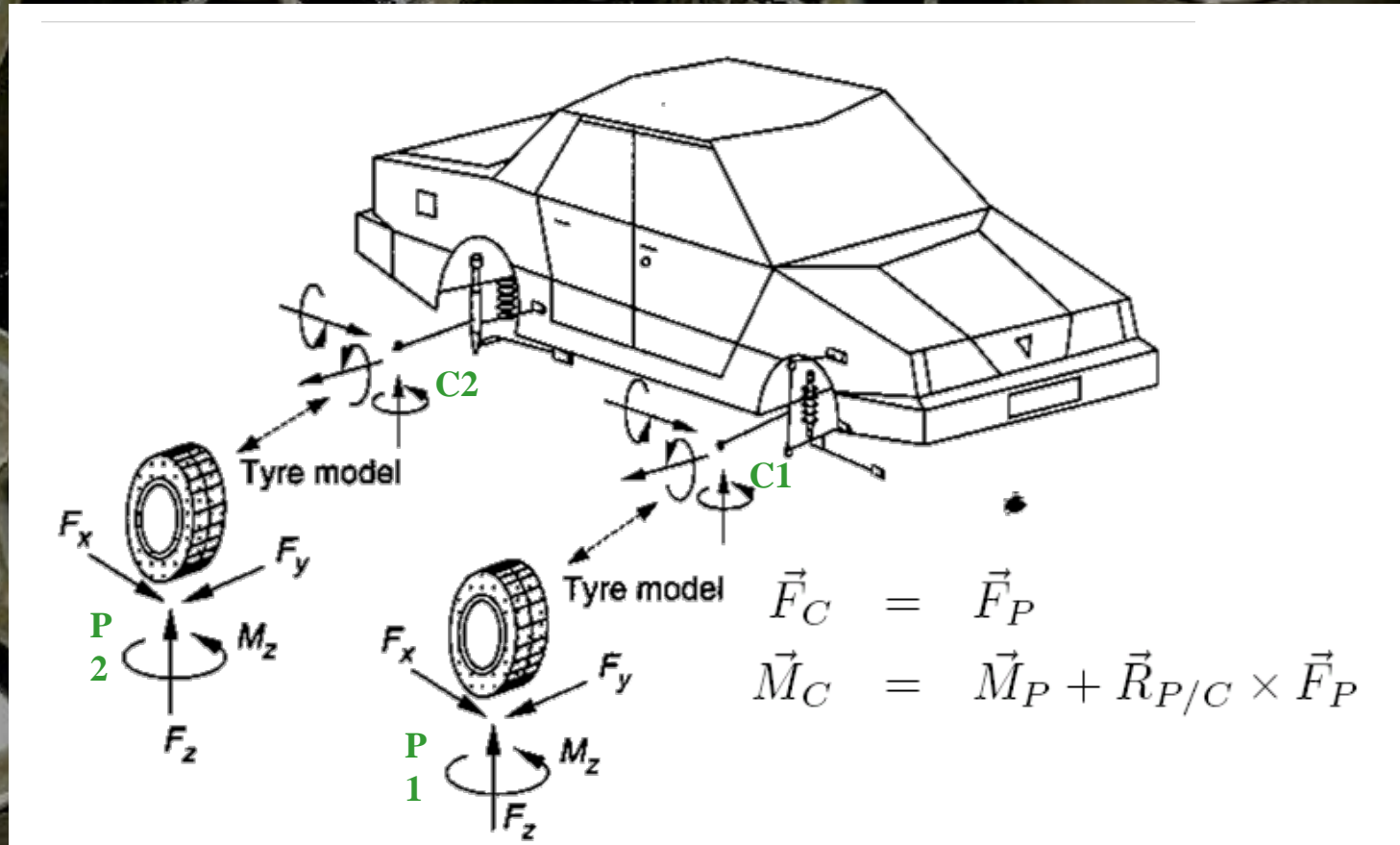
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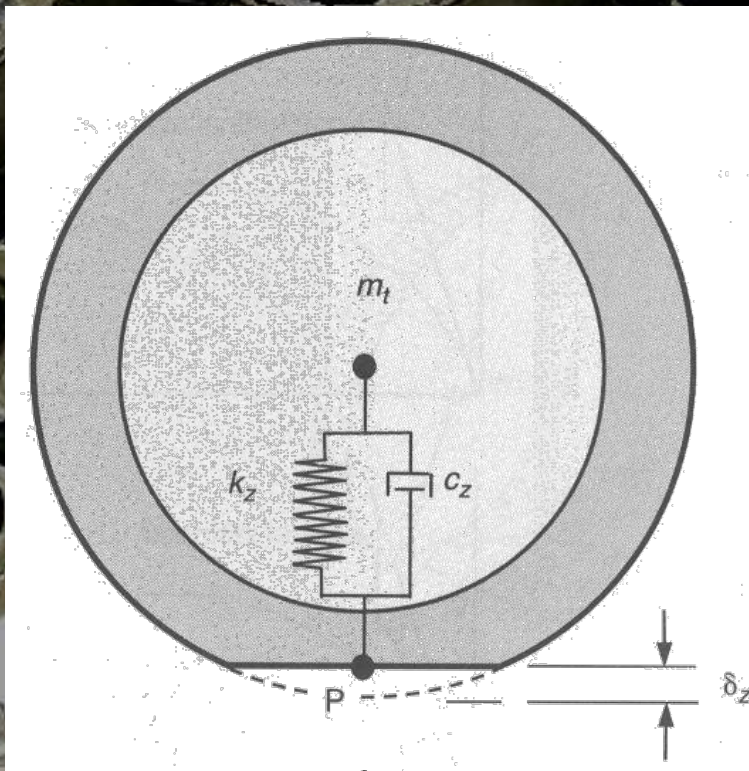
# How Tire Forces are Included In Multibody Vehicle Model

1. Define a point where tire forces and moments will act on the multibody model



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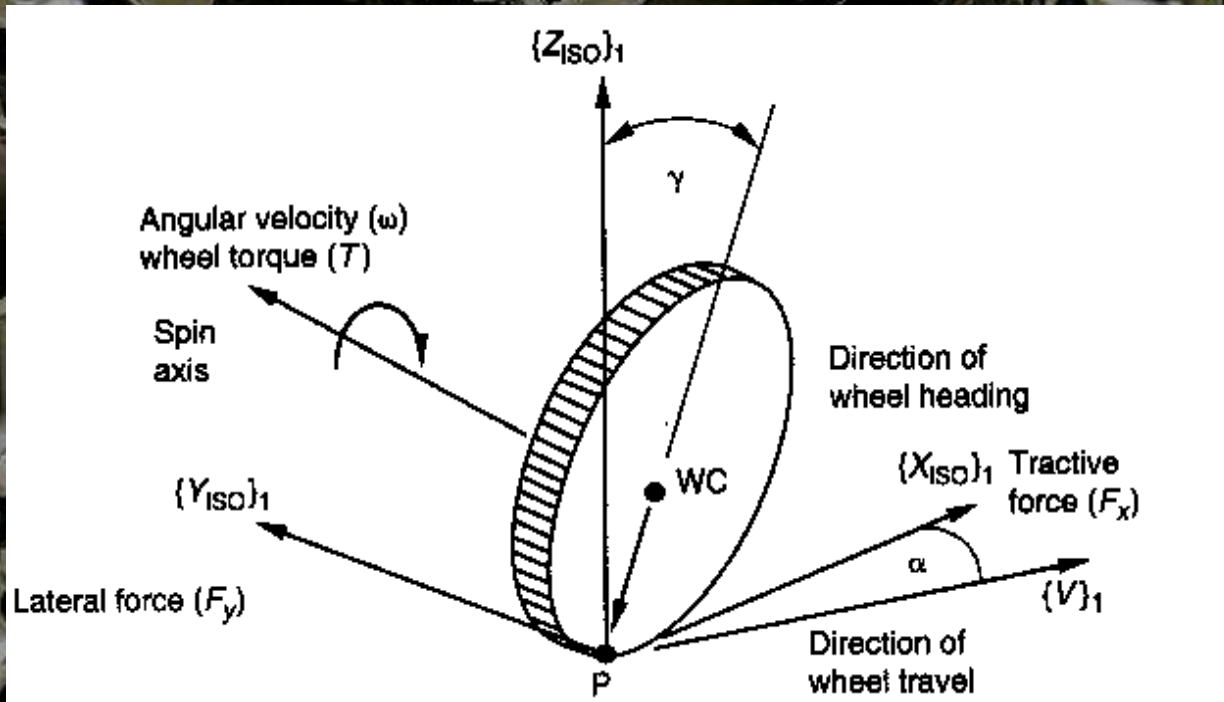
2. Determine an expression for the vertical tire force,  $F_z$ , which is required as an input to the tire model.



$$F_z = \max \left( k_z \delta_z + c_z \dot{\delta}_z, 0 \right)$$

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3. Establish vector directions for longitudinal and lateral components of tire force.

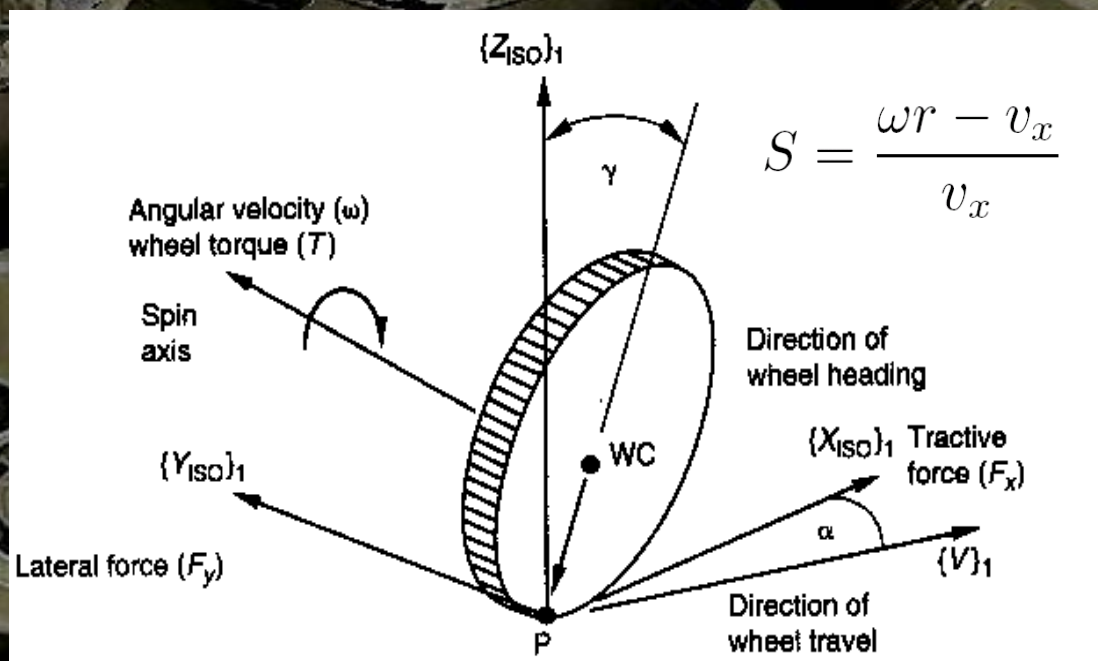


$$\hat{u}_x = \frac{\hat{u}_{RevAxis} \times \hat{u}_z}{|\hat{u}_{RevAxis} \times \hat{u}_z|}$$

$$\hat{u}_y = \hat{u}_z \times \hat{u}_x$$

# How Tire Forces are Included In Multibody Vehicle Model

4. Determine kinematic inputs to tire model ( $S, \gamma, \alpha$ )
5. Use a tire model to calculate  $F_x, F_y, M_x, M_y, M_z$



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