

Introduction

The simple answer to torque steer:

“Revo” Suspension

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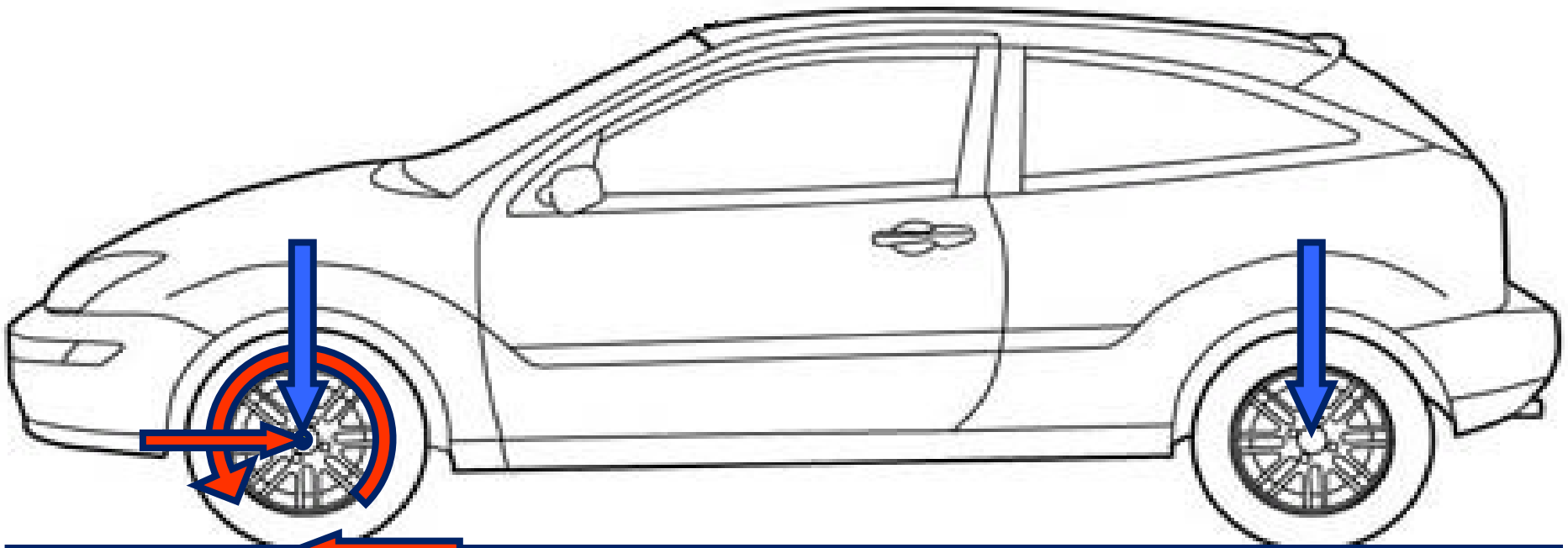


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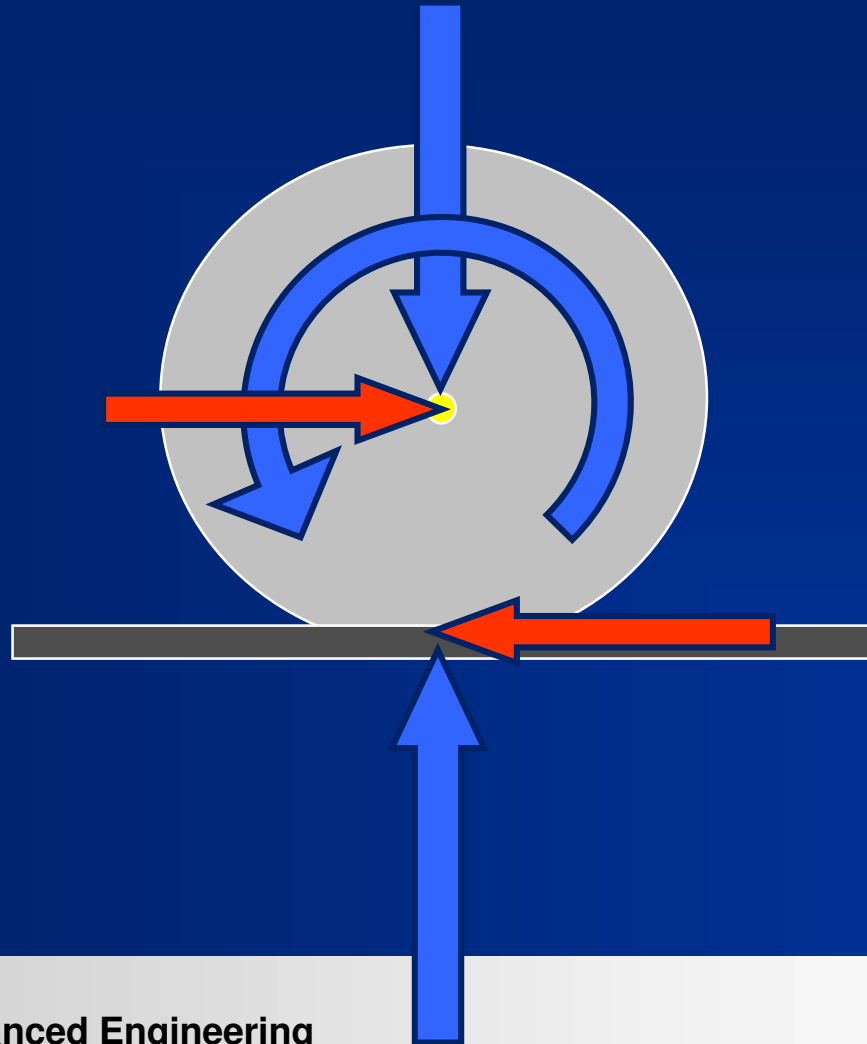
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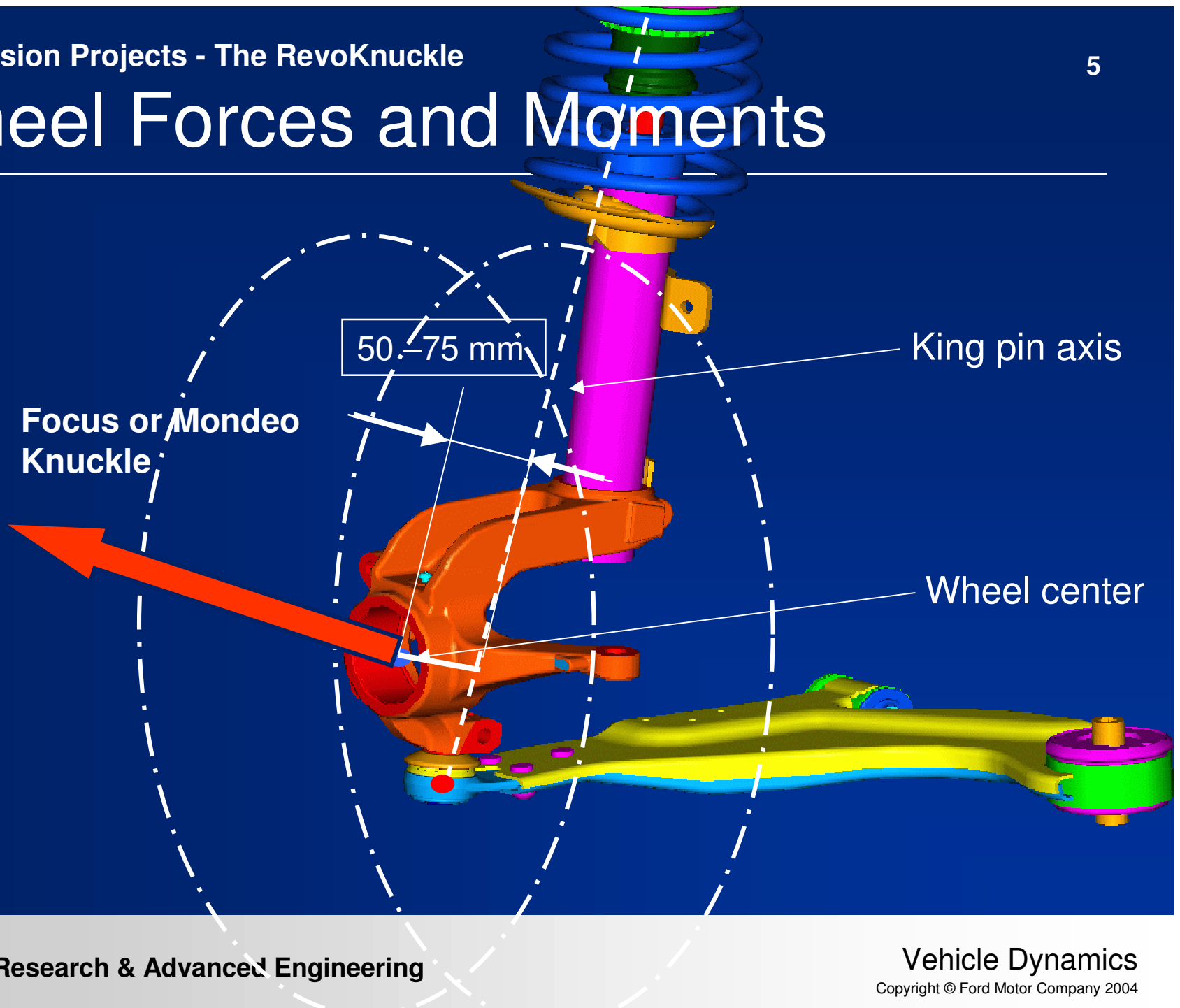
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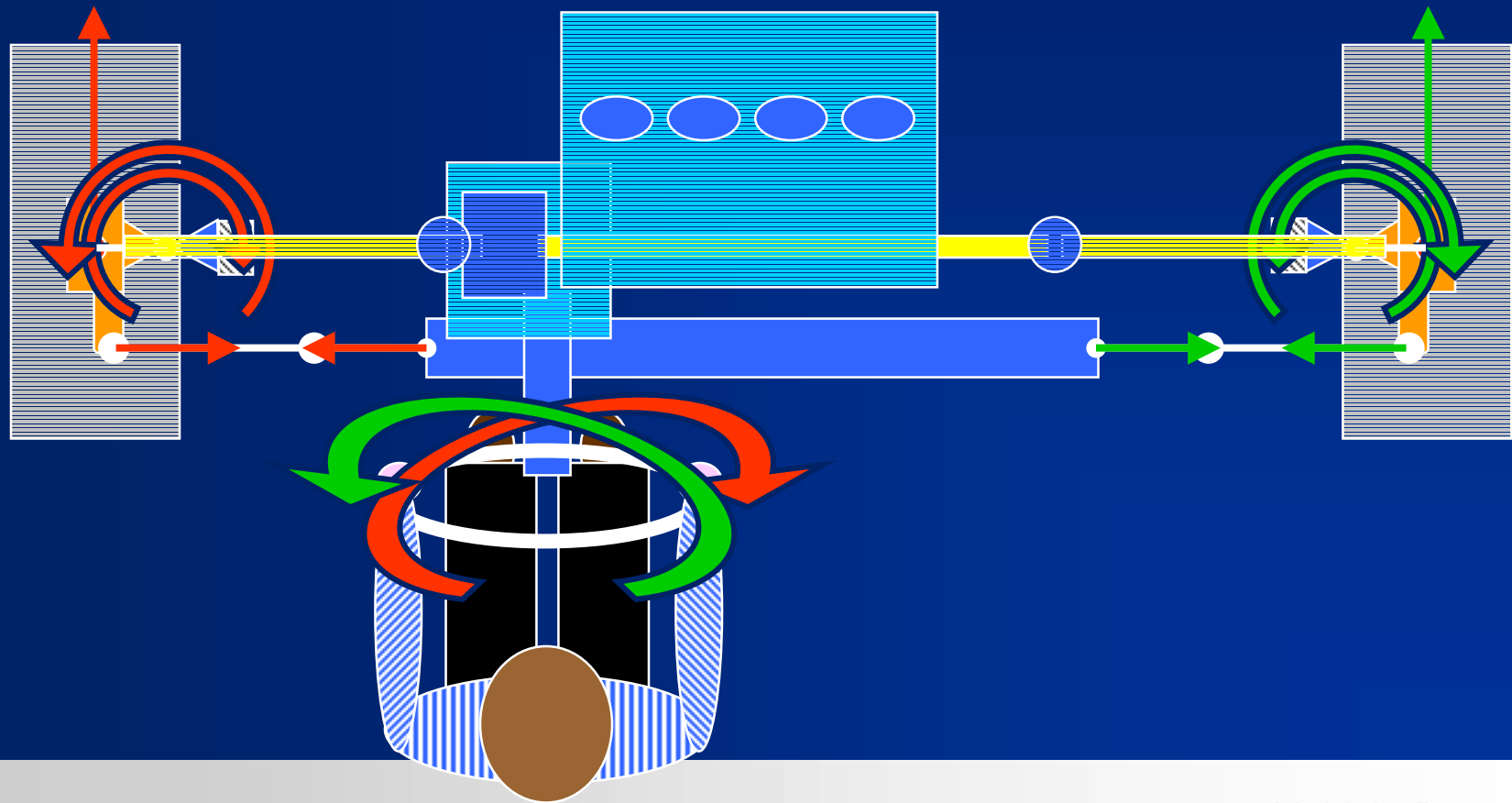


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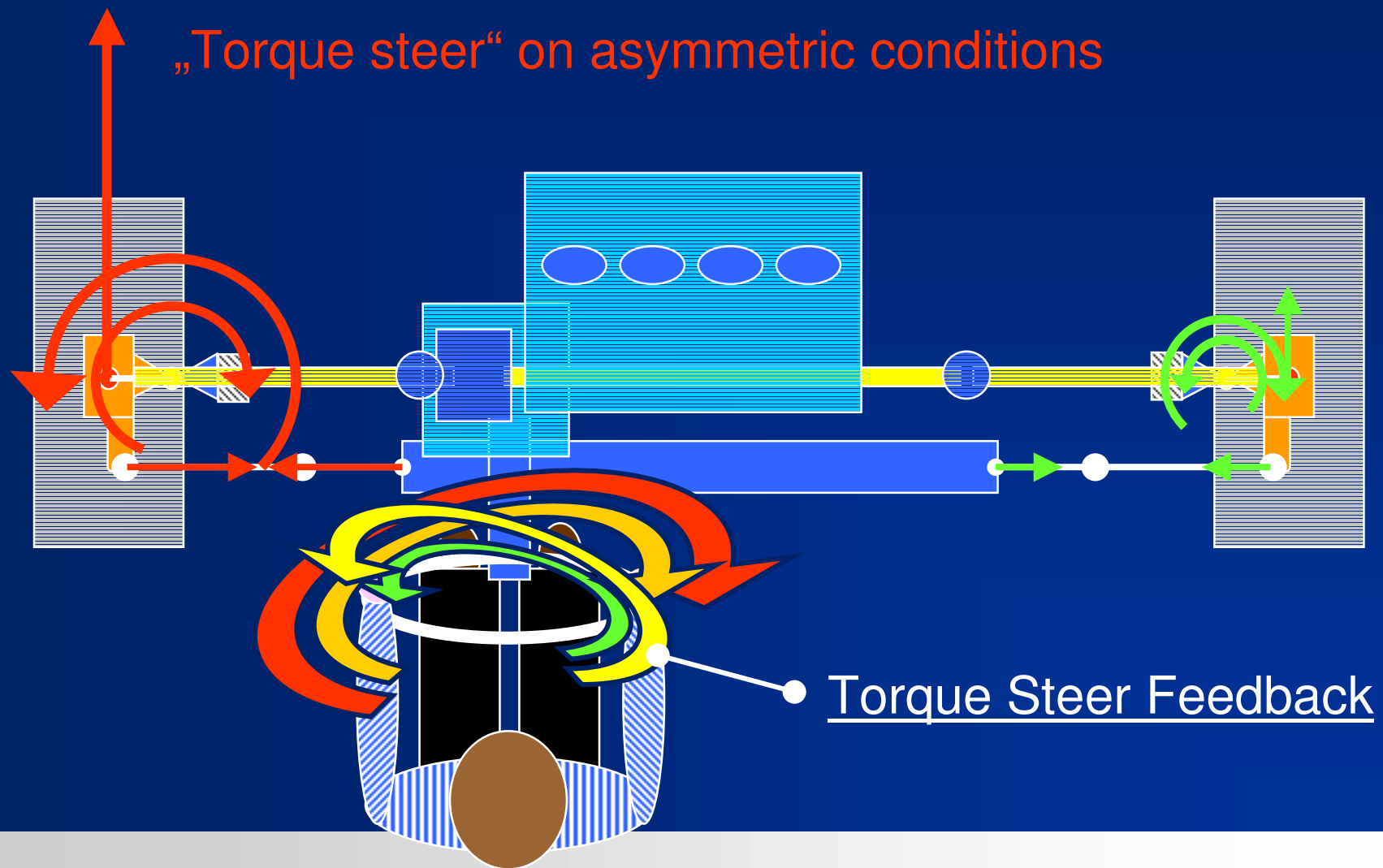


Disturbing Forces and Moments

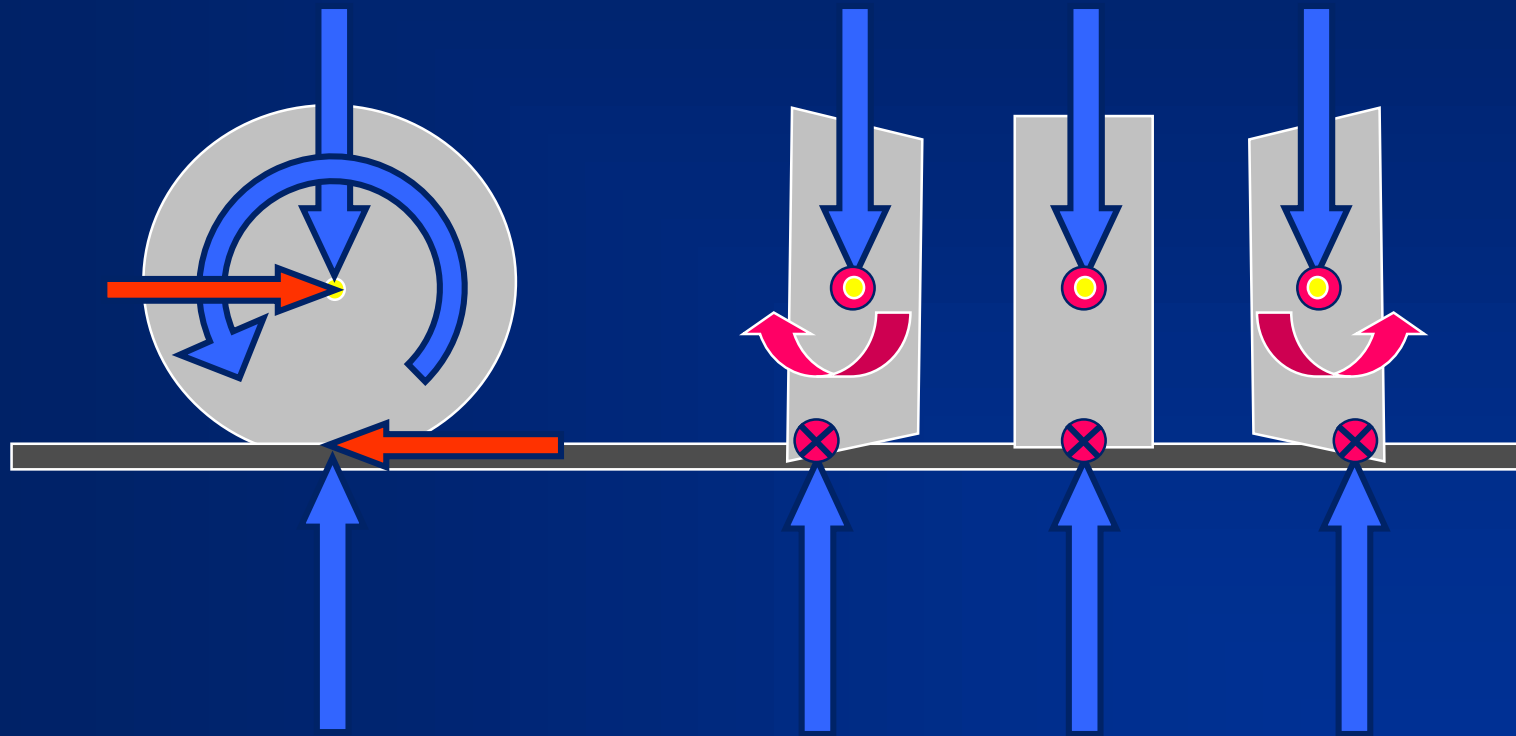
- No „Torque Steer“ on symmetric conditions



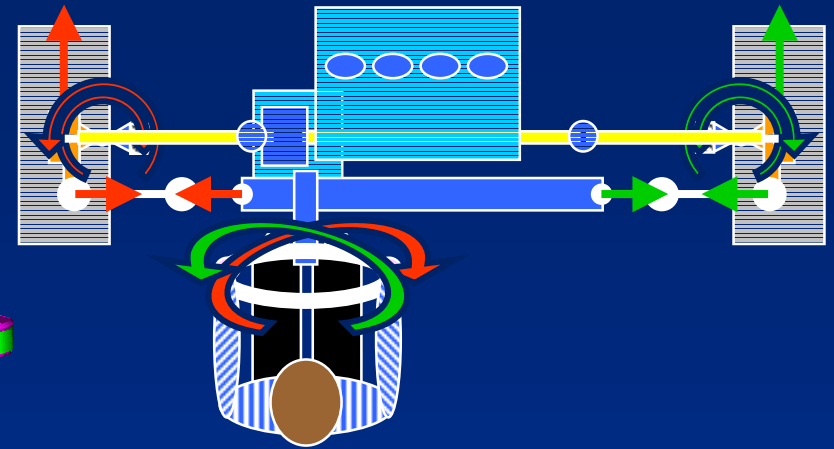
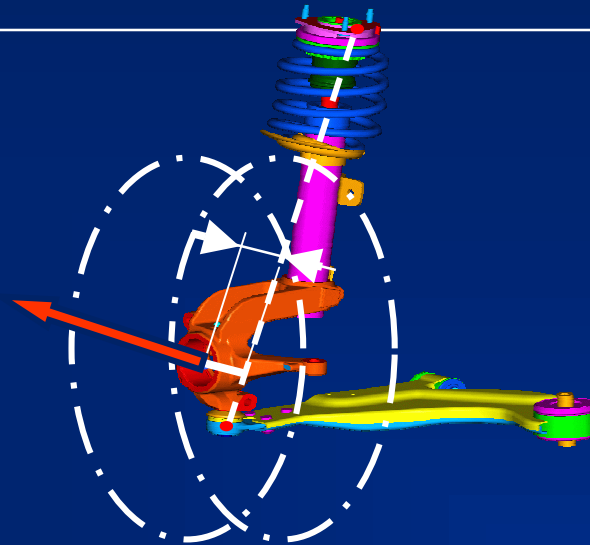
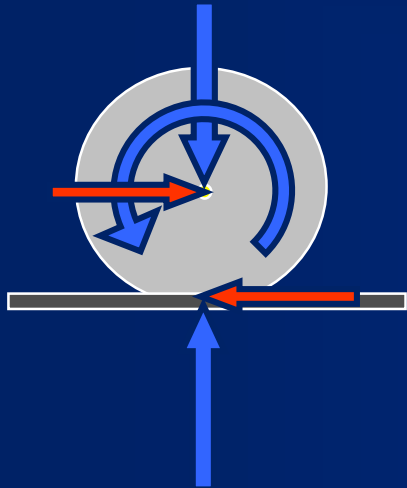
Technology Description & Scope



Tire Conicity



Torque Steer Contributors



- Road Conditions (friction and surface)
- Vehicle State (cornering, roll., acc.)
- Weight Distribution (loading)
- Suspension Geometry (kingpin offset, camber, caster, tolerances)
- Tire Quality (Conicity, wear, profile)
- Wheel Geometry (size, uniformity, wheel offset)
- Engine (torque, alignment)
- Differential (friction, self locking effect, Torsen differential)
- Drive Shafts (alignment, length, symmetry)

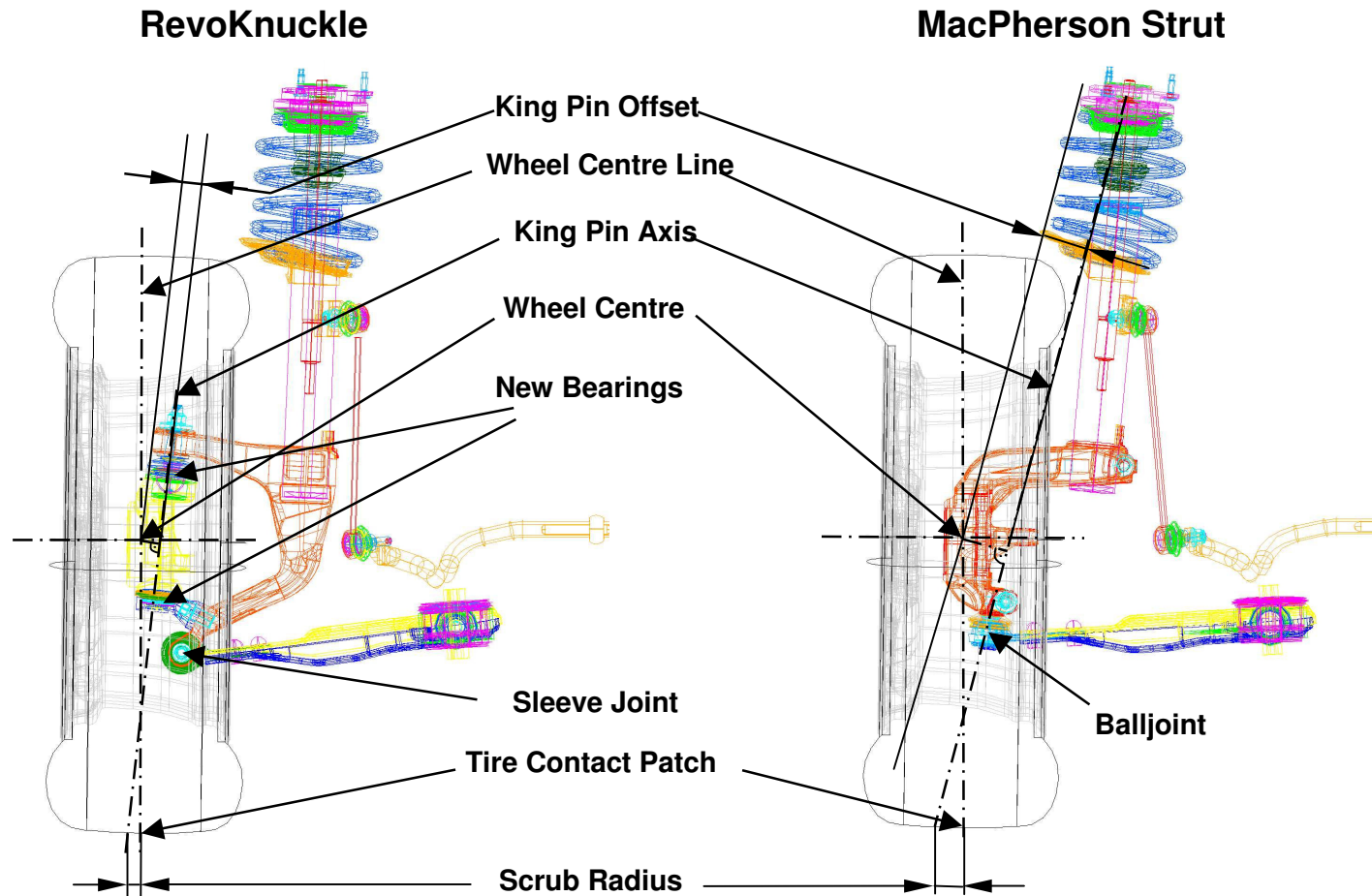


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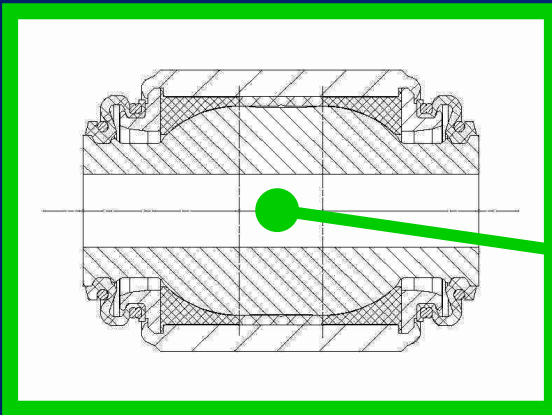
RevoKnuckle vs. McPherson



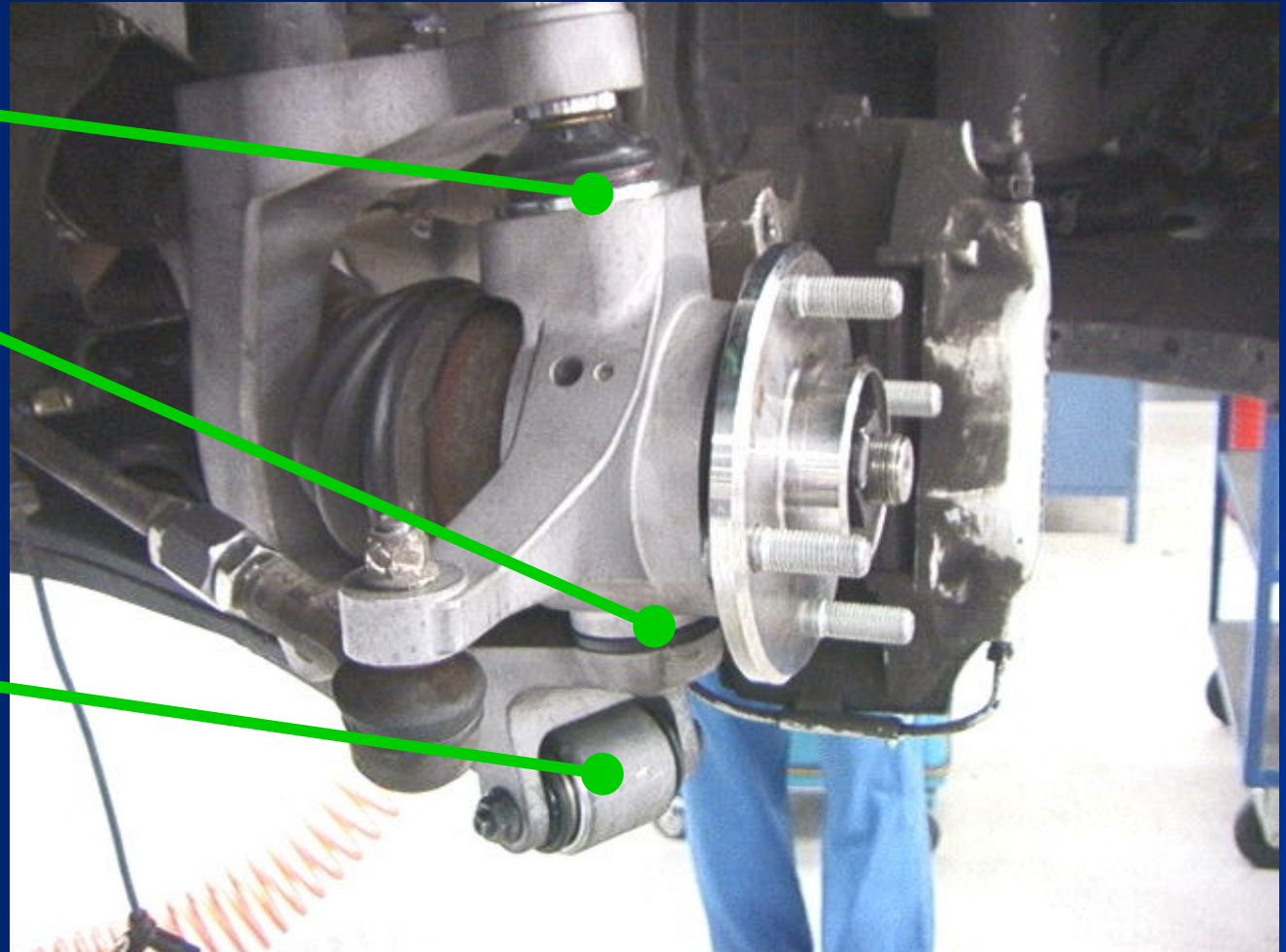
RevoKnuckle — RevoKnuckle Joint Concepts

Ball Joint

Roller Bearing



New FFA / ZF
Patent Application



Research & Advanced Engineering

Vehicle Dynamics

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Advantages concept

- Improved Vehicle Dynamics Performance
 - Torque Steer
 - Wheelfight
 - Steering Nibble
 - Brake Judder
- Reduced torquesteer sensitivity to changes in tire size (low aspect ratio) and tire conicity
- Fits to McPherson package, no body changes
- Less expensive than Double Wishbone suspension
- Lighter than Double Wishbone suspension
- Smaller Kingpin offset vs. Double Wishbone suspension : 20-30 vs. 40 mm

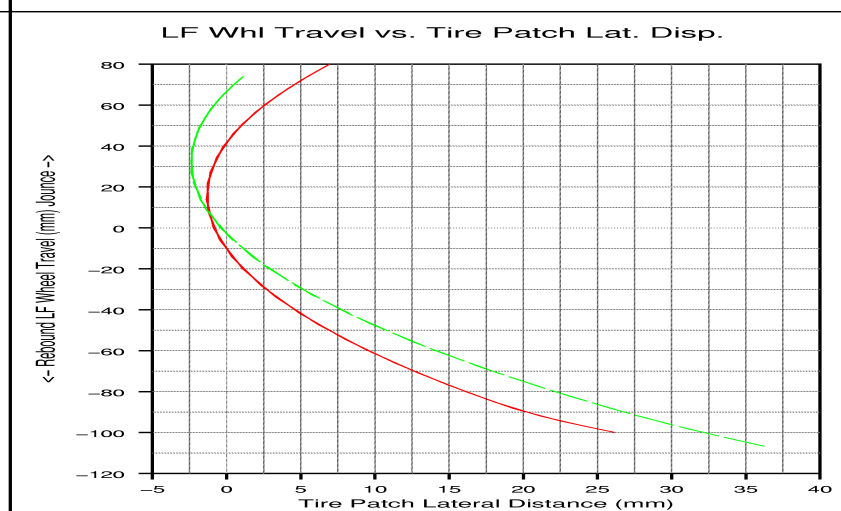
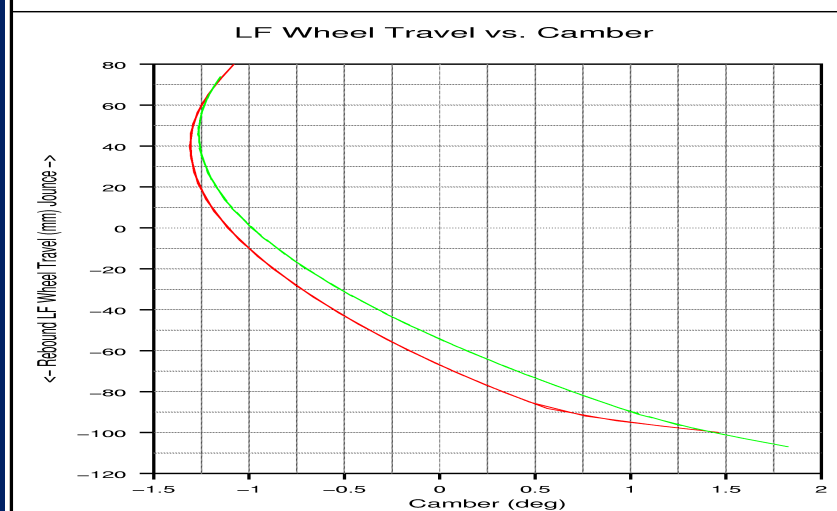
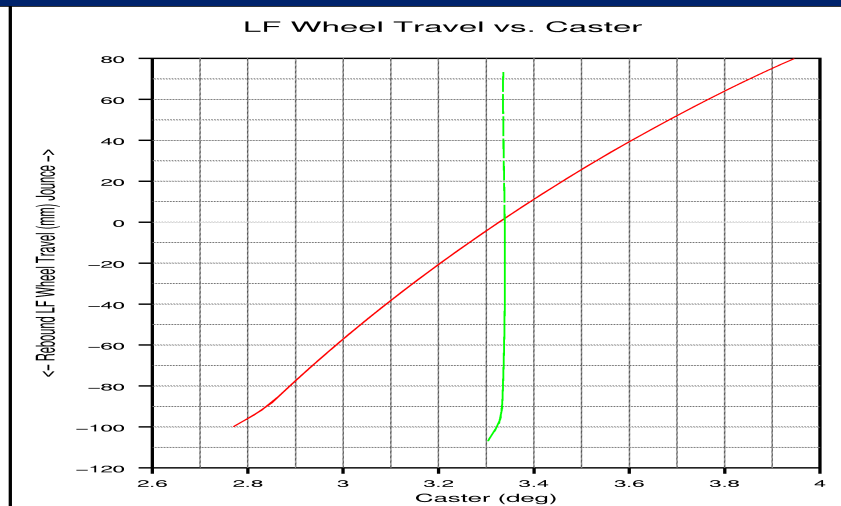
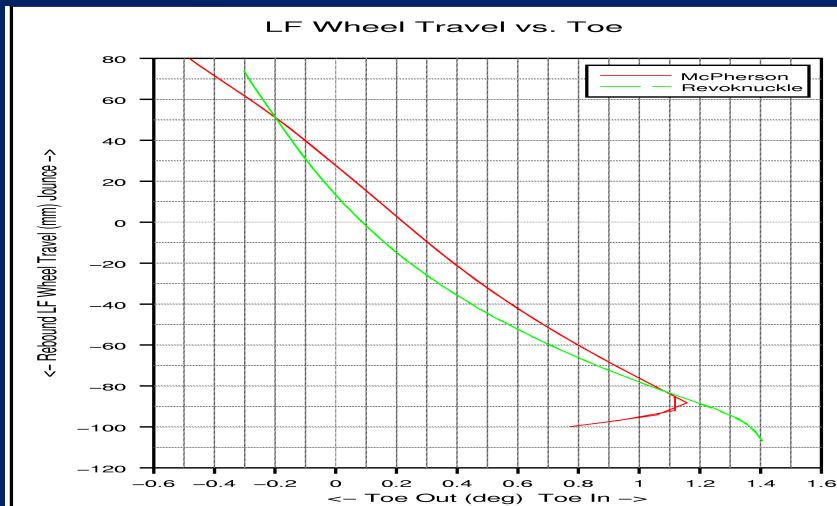


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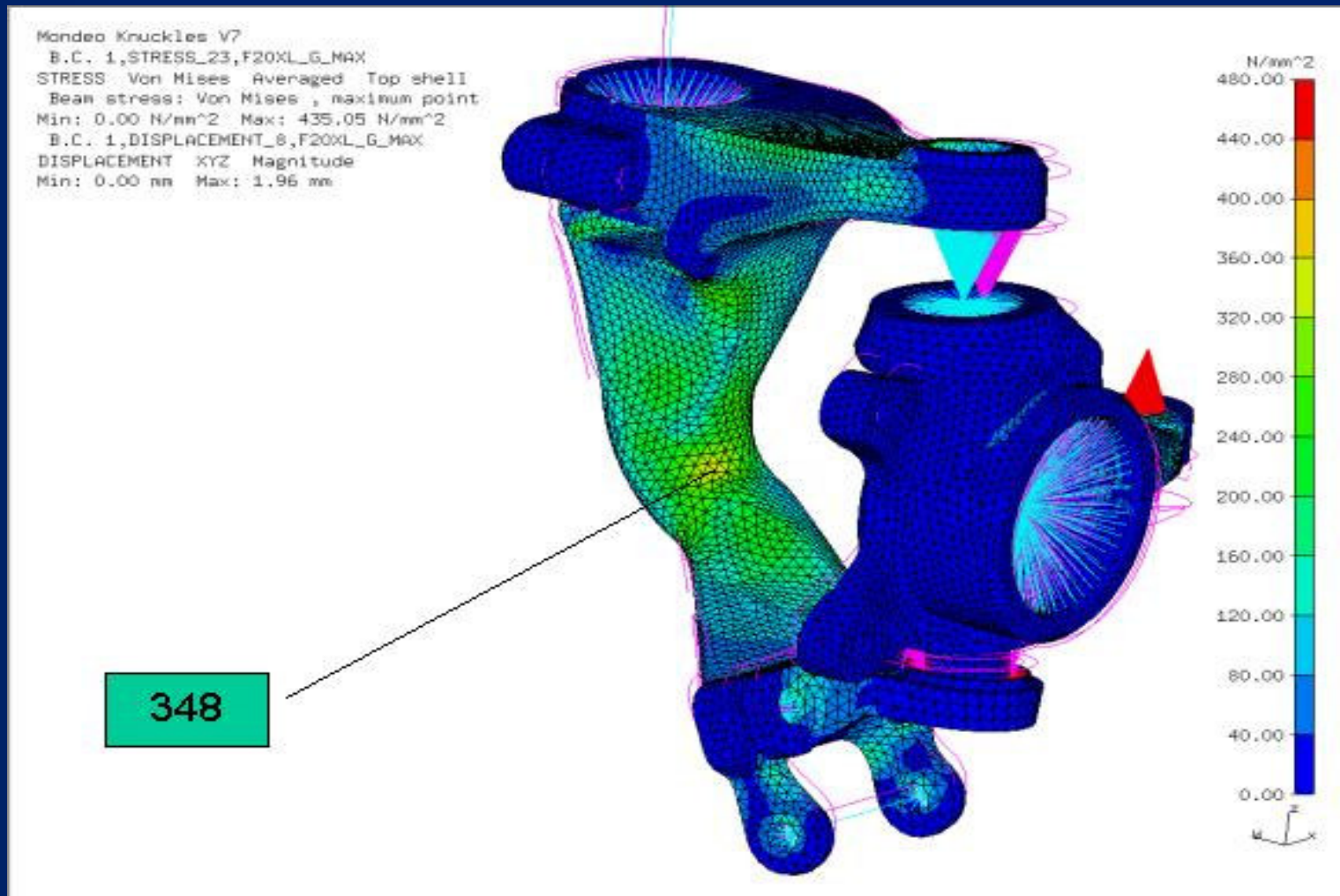
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Kinematics Results



FEA Results



Driving Results

Results from Driving Evaluation:

- Significant reduction of “torque steer effect”
- Improved vehicle dynamics performance
- No additional error state
- Promising Concept for front driven high performance vehicles



End

Questions

