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# **Applications of SWIFT-Tyre: the next step in tyre modeling**

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## **Relation MDI - TNO Automotive**

## **Starting with ADAMS 12.0:**

• TNO Automotive will be responsible for the development of all ADAMS/Handling Tire models

### **Agreement covers the tyre models:**

- Fiala, 521-Tire, UA-Tire, Pacejka '89 and '94
- ADAMS/Aircraft Tire
- MF-Tyre, MF-MCTyre and SWIFT-Tyre

Activities: development, enhancements, solving bugs, second line support, documentation, training...



## New in ADAMS 12.0...

**MF-MCTyre: Magic Formula model for motorcycles:** 

- valid for very large camber angles (up to 45-60 degrees)
- already in use for a number of years by three leading motorcycle manufacturers
- also suited for vehicle roll-over (!)

### **MF-Dataset Libraries:**

• libraries with Magic Formula coefficients for car, motorcycle and light truck tyres

### SWIFT-Tyre...



# **The SWIFT-Tyre model**

#### SWIFT development

we have three main problem aspects:

 belt dynamics involving natural frequencies of ca. 30, 50, 70 Hz and higher

path

- road unevennesses: cleats
- short wavelength wheel oscillations

while retaining Magic Formula for steady state



# **Model lay-out**





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## **Data requirements**

A SWIFT tyre property file contains information on:

- Magic Formula
- loaded radius and effective rolling radius
- contact length, enveloping properties
- relaxation lengths
- inertia of the rigid ring and residual mass
- stiffness and damping of the tyre

### How to obtain this data?



# **Model validation**

### Many experiments:

• drum:

*-yaw oscillation -dynamic braking -loaded radius -high speed cleat testing* -

• flat plank machine: -contact length -enveloping properties -effective rolling radius





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## **Important question...**

Full measurement programme to determine all SWIFT parameters will be extensive and time consuming

"Do we really have to do all this testing?"

## **Possible approaches:**

- limited test programme, depending on application
- use existing test data and/or model results (FEM) provided by the tyre manufacturer
- estimate coefficients based on previous tests, past experience



# **Estimating parameters (1)**

### • Longitudinal stiffness distribution



Experimental results for a number of different tyres indicate:

A:B:C = 3:6:1



# **Estimating parameters (2)**

#### • Contact length



Based on geometrical considerations, literature, experience



# **Reducing overhead**

**Maximise commonality between MF-Tyre and SWIFT-Tyre** 

**Examples:** 

- MF-Tyre (ADAMS 12.0) will use the SWIFT loaded radius formula
- SWIFT-Tyre uses same Magic Formula as MF-Tyre
- rigid ring dynamics can be switched off

### Also:

• tyre property files can be used across different simulation environments (e.g. MATLAB/Simulink)



# **Some applications of SWIFT-Tyre...**

- durability study
- cornering uneven roads
- aircraft landing gear shimmy



# **Durability study**

Full vehicle model, driving over uneven road at 90 km/h

**Comparison of vertical axle acceleration:** 

- vehicle measurements
- full SWIFT-Tyre model
- SWIFT-Tyre without effective inputs



### • vertical axle acceleration





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## **Cornering uneven roads**

- quarter car model
- forward velocity: 72 km/h (20 m/s)
- road profile: base 1.0 m, height 0.015 m
- fixed steering angle, range: 0-15 degrees
- result: average lateral force





### • "effective" tyre characteristics



# **Aircraft landing gear shimmy**



simple, but representative landing gear model



# **Shimmy model**

## **Simulation conditions:**

- forward velocity 270 km/h (75 m/s)
- shimmy initiated by asymmetrical spin-up

Advantages of SWIFT-Tyre over "classical" models: (e.g. Von Schlippe, Smiley, etc.)

- non-linear, includes combined slip
- relaxation length decreases as function of side slip
- gyroscopic behaviour of the tyre belt included



## **Steady state characteristics (1)**

• Magic Formula fit aircraft tyre: lateral force





## **Steady state characteristics (2)**

• Magic Formula fit aircraft tyre: self-aligning moment



## **Simulation results**

### • unstable shimmy vibration: 15 Hz





Force







# Conclusions

**TNO Automotive provides:** 

- state-of-the-art tyre modelling
- (tailor made) tyre testing
- processing of measurements, determination of tyre parameters (e.g. MF-Tool)
- tyre datasets from a library

SWIFT-Tyre is a versatile tyre model, which can be used for many applications!



## **Questions?**

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