

1 a) i)

N2L for m_s

$$m_s \ddot{z}_s + c \dot{z}_s + k z_s = c \dot{z}_r + k z_r.$$

Laplace transform, $s = j\omega$.

$$\left\{ (j\omega)^2 m_s + (j\omega)c + k \right\} Z_s(j\omega) = \left\{ (j\omega)c + k \right\} Z_r(j\omega)$$

now.

$$\frac{Z_s(j\omega) - Z_r(j\omega)}{\dot{Z}_r(j\omega)} = \frac{Z_s(j\omega) - Z_r(j\omega)}{j\omega Z_r(j\omega)}$$

$$= \frac{(j\omega)c + k - \left\{ (j\omega)^2 m_s + (j\omega)c + k \right\}}{j\omega \left\{ (j\omega)^2 m_s + (j\omega)c + k \right\}}$$

$$= \frac{- (j\omega) m}{(j\omega)^2 m + (j\omega)c + k}$$

compare with $H_z(j\omega) = \frac{(j\omega) B_1 + B_0}{(j\omega)^2 A_2 + (j\omega) A_1 + A_0}$

$$\therefore B_0 = 0; B_1 = -m; A_0 = k; A_1 = c; A_2 = m$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H_z(j\omega)|^2 d\omega = \frac{\pi (A_0 B_1^2 + A_2 B_0^2)}{A_0 A_1 A_2} = \frac{\pi k m^2}{k c m} = \frac{\pi m}{c}$$

$$\therefore E[(z_s - z_r)^2] = \frac{\pi m}{c} \cdot S_0.$$

1 a) ii)

for sprung mass acceleration, transfer function

$$\begin{aligned} \text{is } \frac{\ddot{Z}_s(j\omega)}{\dot{Z}_r(j\omega)} &= \frac{(j\omega)^2 Z_s(j\omega)}{(j\omega) Z_r(j\omega)} = \frac{(j\omega) Z_s(j\omega)}{Z_r(j\omega)} \\ &= \frac{(j\omega)^2 c + (j\omega) k}{(j\omega)^2 m + (j\omega) c + k} \end{aligned}$$

but $\left| \frac{\ddot{Z}_s(j\omega)}{\dot{Z}_r(j\omega)} \right| \rightarrow \infty$ as $\omega \rightarrow \infty$

Therefore mean square will be ∞ for white noise \dot{Z}_r

Including the unsprung mass ensures transfer function tends to zero as $\omega \rightarrow \infty$.

b) i) let $m_s + m_u = M$

$$E[(k_t(z_r - z_u))^2] = \frac{\pi S_0 \{ M [M^2 k^2 + k_t (M^2 - 2k m_u m_s)] + m_u m_s^2 k_t \}}{m_s^2 c}$$

$$\frac{\partial E[(k_t(z_r - z_u))^2]}{\partial k} = \frac{\pi S_0 \{ M [2M^2 k + k_t (-2m_u m_s)] \}}{m_s^2 c}$$

for turning point set this to zero

$$2M^2 k = 2k_t m_u m_s$$

$$k = \frac{k_t m_u m_s}{(m_u + m_s)^2} = \frac{200 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 45 \cdot 400}{445^2}$$

$$k = \underline{\underline{18.18 \text{ kN/m}}}$$

b) ii) find value of c for minimum RMS sprung mass acc.

$$E[\ddot{z}_s^2] = \frac{\pi S_0 [Mk^2 + k_t c^2]}{m_s^2 c}$$

$$\frac{dE[\ddot{z}_s^2]}{dc} = \pi S_0 \left\{ \frac{m_s^2 c \cdot 2k_t c - (Mk^2 + k_t c^2) m_s^2}{(m_s^2 c)^2} \right\}$$

equated to zero.

$$2m_s^2 c^2 k_t = (Mk^2 + k_t c^2) m_s^2$$

$$2k_t c^2 = Mk^2 + k_t c^2$$

$$c^2 = (m_s + m_u) \frac{k^2}{k_t} = \frac{445 \cdot (18.18 \cdot 10^3)^2}{(200 \cdot 10^3)}$$

$$c_{\min} = \underline{\underline{858 \text{ N/s/m}}}$$

There is no benefit in setting c lower than this, working space and sprung mass acc. will increase.

What is the maximum value of c ?

In practice, for higher values of c the working space is dominated by steady state deflection of k due to step forces on the sprung mass arising from cornering or braking.

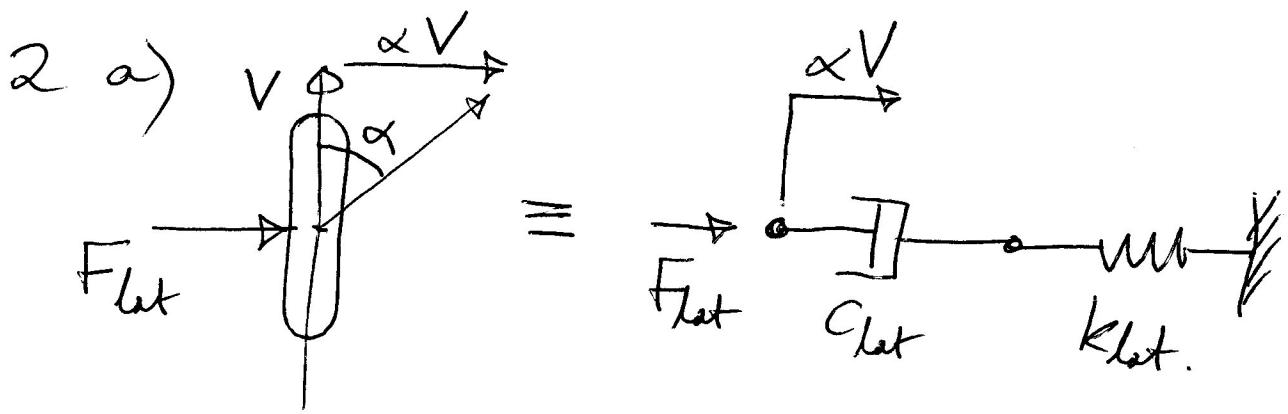
Use the 1 dof model (Fig 1a) and choose c to give damping ratio $\zeta = 1$. This will be the minimum value of c needed to prevent overshoot of the steady state displacement.

From mechanics data book:

$$\frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} = \frac{c}{k} \quad \text{where } \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m_s}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore c &= 2\zeta \sqrt{k m_s} \\ &= 2 \sqrt{18 \cdot 18 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 400} \end{aligned}$$

$$c_{\text{min}} = \underline{\underline{5393 \text{ Ns/m}}}$$



Steady state lateral tyre force $F_{lat} = \alpha C$

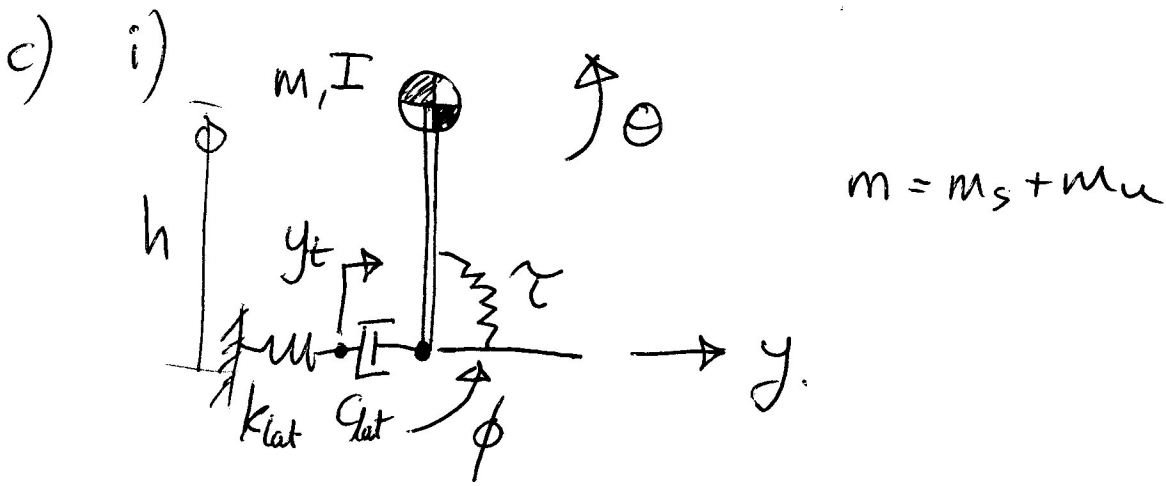
equivalent viscous damping $C_{lat} = \frac{F_{lat}}{\alpha V}$

hence $C_{lat} = \frac{\alpha C}{\alpha V} = \frac{C}{V}$

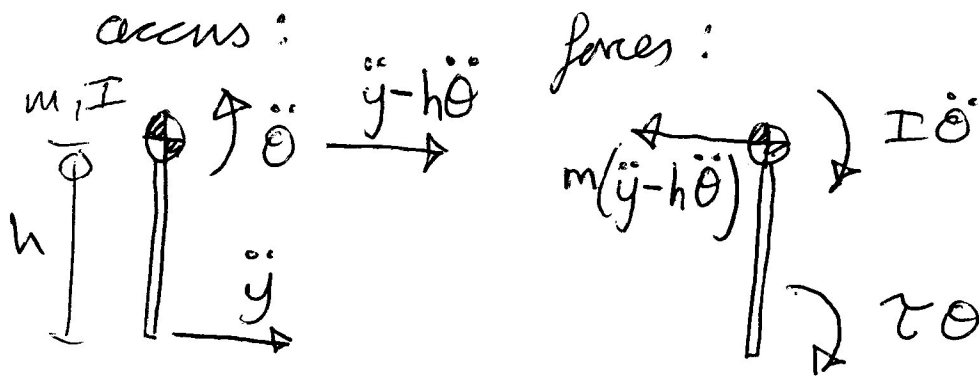
b) The left and right road displacements z_L and z_R can be defined as the sum of the average vertical displacement z_V and an uncorrelated roll displacement $\pm z_\phi$.

The equations of motion of the roll-plane model can be decoupled into a 2 dof vertical response model (with z_V input) and a 4 dof lateral-roll model (with z_ϕ input).

Thus the vertical and lateral-roll responses are uncorrelated and can be calculated separately.



ii) very high speed: $G_{lat} \rightarrow 0$.



(neglect vertical forces)

moments about centre of mass:

$$I\ddot{\theta} + \tau\theta = 0.$$

sum horizontal forces:

$$m(\ddot{y} - h\ddot{\theta}) = 0$$

matrix form

free vibration:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -hm & m \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{\theta} \\ \ddot{y} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \tau & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \theta \\ y \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Laplace and $s = j\omega$.

$$\left\{ -\omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -hm & m \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \tau & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \begin{Bmatrix} \theta(j\omega) \\ y(j\omega) \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

non-trivial solutions when $\begin{vmatrix} \tau - I\omega^2 & 0 \\ \omega^2 hm & -\omega^2 m \end{vmatrix} = 0.$

$$(\tau - \omega^2 I)(-\omega^2 m) = 0$$

$$-\omega^2 m \tau + \omega^4 I m = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{\omega^4 I - \omega^2 \tau = 0}}$$

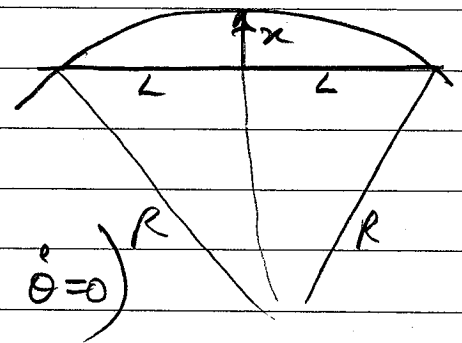
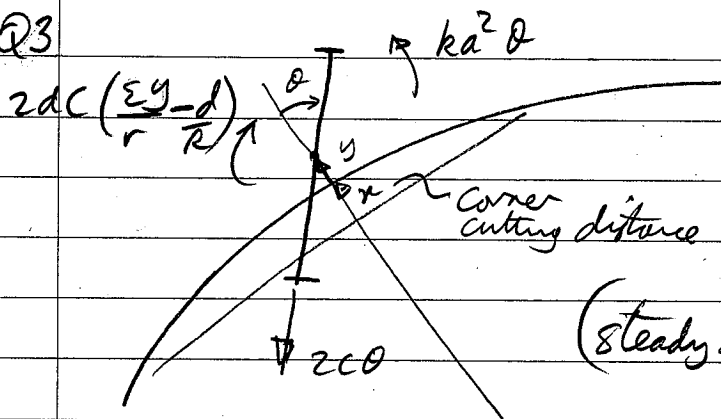
$$\therefore \omega^2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{I}}$$

(rigid body mode)

d)

- vertical vibration response (z_s, z_u) is uncoupled to lateral-roll motion (y, θ) hence unaffected by the no-roll aspect of the suspension.
- the effective damping provided by the tyre is low at low vehicle speeds ($C_{lat} \rightarrow \infty$) and low at high speeds ($C_{lat} \rightarrow 0$)
- in the likely frequency range of the lateral-roll modes of vibration, roll excitation and vertical excitation from the road will tend to contribute equally at low speeds (Z_L and Z_R uncorrelated), vertical excitation will dominate at high speeds (Z_L and Z_R correlated)
- considering the combined effect of the tyre damping and road excitation dependences on speed, it is likely that the no-roll suspension will be more satisfactory at high vehicle speeds than low speeds.

Q3



(steady state $\dot{\theta} = 0$)

$$x = R - \sqrt{R^2 - L^2} \approx \frac{L^2}{2R} \quad (1)$$

a)(i) $\Sigma F: k(x+y) + 2c\theta = 0 \quad (2)$

$\Sigma M: ka^2\theta - 2dc\left(\frac{\epsilon y}{r} - d/R\right) = 0 \quad (3)$

Combine (1), (2) & (3) to eliminate θ :

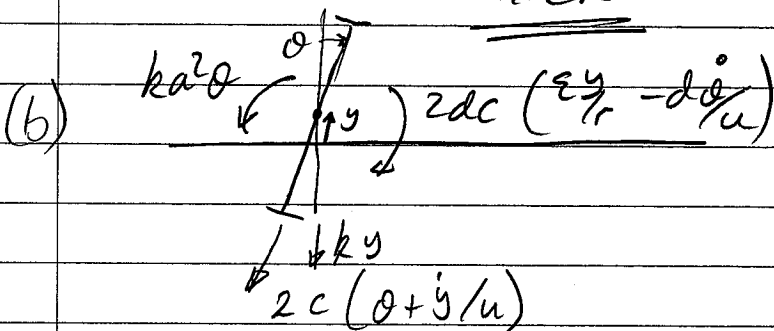
$$k\left(\frac{L^2}{2R} + y\right) + 2c\left[\frac{2dc}{ka^2}\left(\frac{\epsilon y}{r} - d/R\right)\right] = 0$$

$$\therefore y\left(\frac{4dc^2\epsilon}{rka^2} + k\right) = \frac{4dc^2}{ka^2R} - kL^2/2R$$

$$\therefore y = 0 \text{ when RHS} = 0 \text{ i.e. } a = \underline{\underline{2\sqrt{2}dc/kL}} \quad (4)$$

(ii) (2) & (4) with $y=0$ and using (1) gives:

$$\theta = \underline{\underline{-\frac{kL^2}{4cR}}} \quad (5)$$



$$\Sigma F = 0: 2c(\theta + y/a) + ky = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\Sigma M = 0: 2dc\left(\frac{\epsilon y}{r} - \frac{d}{a}\right) - ka^2\theta = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$(6) \rightarrow \theta = \underline{\underline{-\frac{ky}{2c} - y/a}} \quad (8)$$

Q3 cont

(8) into (7) gives

$$\frac{\epsilon y}{r} - \frac{d}{u} \left(\frac{-ky}{2c} - \frac{\ddot{y}}{u} \right) - \frac{ka^2}{2dc} \left(\frac{-ky}{2c} - \frac{\ddot{y}}{u} \right) = 0$$

$$\text{ie } \ddot{y} + y \left[\frac{uk}{2d^2c} (a^2 + d^2) \right] + y \left[\frac{u^2}{d} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{r} + \frac{a^2 k^2}{4dc^2} \right) \right] = 0 \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

Hunting wavelength $\omega_n^2 = \frac{u^2}{d} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{r} + \frac{a^2 k^2}{4dc^2} \right)$

$$\lambda = \frac{2\pi u}{\omega_n} = \frac{2\pi u}{u \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{dr} + \frac{a^2 k^2}{4d^2 c^2}}}$$

For zero suspension stiffness $k=0$, $\lambda = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{dr}{\epsilon}}$
as per free wheelset ✓

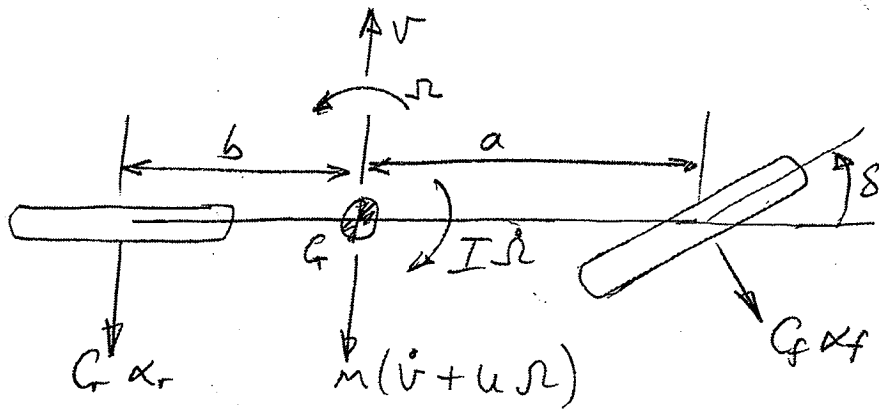
Using the value of a^2 from (a)(ii) $a = 2\sqrt{r} dc/kL$

$$\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{dr} + \frac{28dc^2 k^2}{k^2 L^2 dc^2}}} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{dr} + \frac{28}{L^2}}} //$$

(iii) Damping is proportional to the \ddot{y} term in (9)
It is zero when $k=0$ as expected from simple wheelset ✓, then increases with k .
Damping arises from energy dissipated by the creep forces.

Q4

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$$\left. \begin{aligned} (a) \quad \Sigma F: \quad m(\dot{v} + uR) + C_f \alpha_f + C_r \alpha_r &= 0 \\ \Sigma M_G \quad I\dot{R} + aC_f \alpha_f - bC_r \alpha_r &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{slip angles: } \alpha_f = \frac{v + aR}{u} - \delta, \quad \alpha_r = \frac{v - bR}{u} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Combining ① & ②:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m(\dot{v} + uR) + (C_f + C_r) \frac{v}{u} + (aC_f - bC_r) \frac{R}{u} &= C_f \delta \\ I\dot{R} + (aC_f - bC_r) \frac{v}{u} + (a^2 C_f + b^2 C_r) \frac{R}{u} &= aC_f \delta \end{aligned} \right\} \textcircled{3}$$

- Assumptions:
- All angles are small
 - Neglect tyre realigning moment
 - Tyres behave linearly
 - δ is average of 2 steered front wheels
 - Neglect motion of spring mass on suspension

$$(b) \text{ steady turning: } \dot{R} = \dot{v} = 0 \quad \& \quad R = v/R \quad \textcircled{4}$$

④ into ③ gives

$$\begin{bmatrix} -c & cs + mu^2 \\ cs & cq^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \beta \\ 1/R \end{Bmatrix} = C_f \delta \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ a \end{Bmatrix} \quad \textcircled{5}$$

$$\text{where } c = C_f + C_r, \quad s = \frac{aC_f - bC_r}{C_f + C_r}, \quad q = \frac{a^2 C_f + b^2 C_r}{C_f + C_r}, \quad \beta = \frac{v}{u}$$

Solving ⑤ for $1/R$ gives

$$\frac{1/R}{\delta} = \frac{cC_f(a-s)}{C_f C_r l^2 - csmu^2} = \frac{lC_f C_r}{C_f C_r l^2 - csmu^2} \quad \textcircled{6}$$

Q4

Q2 cont

$$\text{ie } \delta = \frac{l}{R} \left(1 - \frac{csmu^2}{l^2Gc} \right) \quad // \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

$$\text{Differentiate (7): } \frac{d\delta}{du} = -\frac{2l}{R} \left(\frac{csm}{l^2Gc} \right) u \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

Neutral steer ($s=0$) $\rightarrow \delta = \frac{l}{R}$ & $\frac{d\delta}{du} = 0$

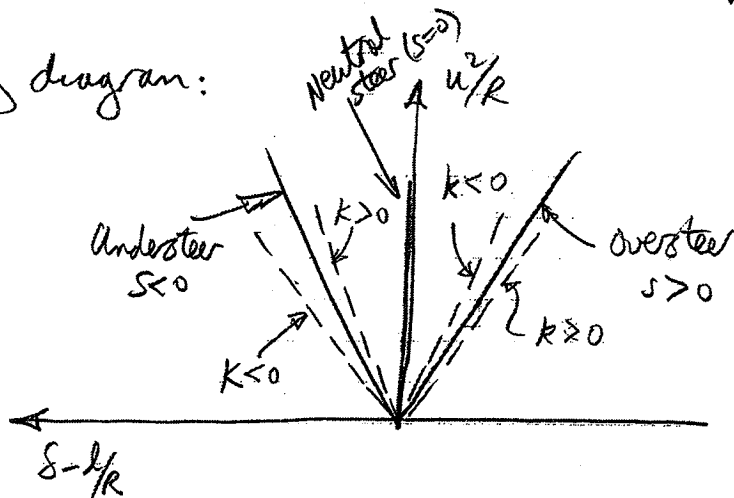
Understeer ($s < 0$) $\rightarrow \frac{d\delta}{du} > 0$ all speeds

Oversteer ($s > 0$) $\rightarrow \frac{d\delta}{du} < 0$ all speeds

Vehicle becomes unstable

$$\text{when } s < 0 \rightarrow u \geq \sqrt{\frac{Gc l^2}{csm}}$$

Handling diagram:



(c) Roll steer induces additional steer angle: $K \frac{u^2}{R}$

$$\left[\delta - \frac{l}{R} = -\frac{Ku^2}{R} - \frac{l}{R} \left(\frac{csmu^2}{l^2Gc} \right) \right]$$

If $K > 0$ Roll steer generates greater steer angle than the vehicle without roll-steer.

\Rightarrow For the understeering vehicle, this additional steer angle increases the lateral acceleration - ie it makes the vehicle less understeering (more oversteering)

\Rightarrow For the oversteering vehicle, the additional steer angle reduces the lateral acceleration - ie it makes the vehicle more oversteering