

# Multi-physical model for tire/road contact – the effect of surface texture

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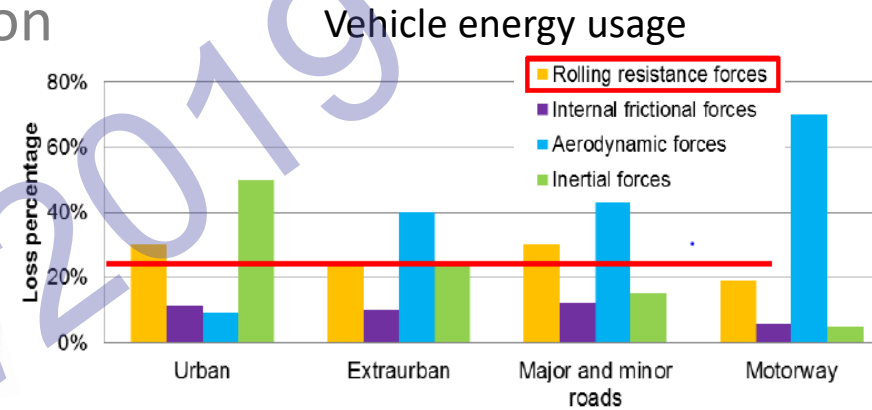
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# Introduction

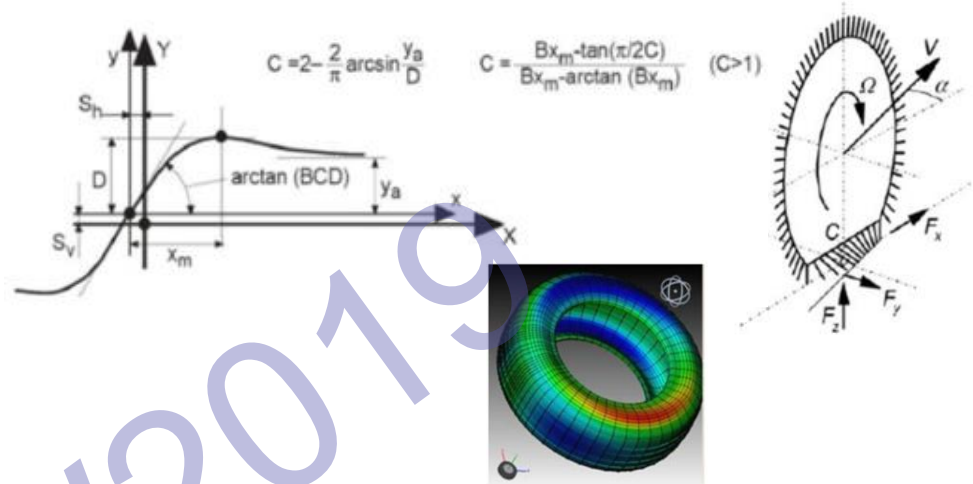
- Main Issues related to tire-road interaction
  - Safety
  - Emission and fuel consumption
  - Comfort



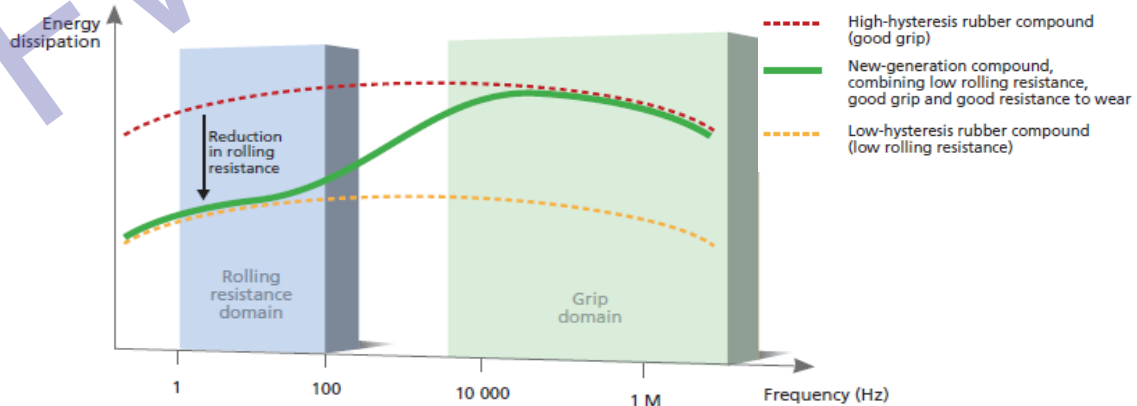
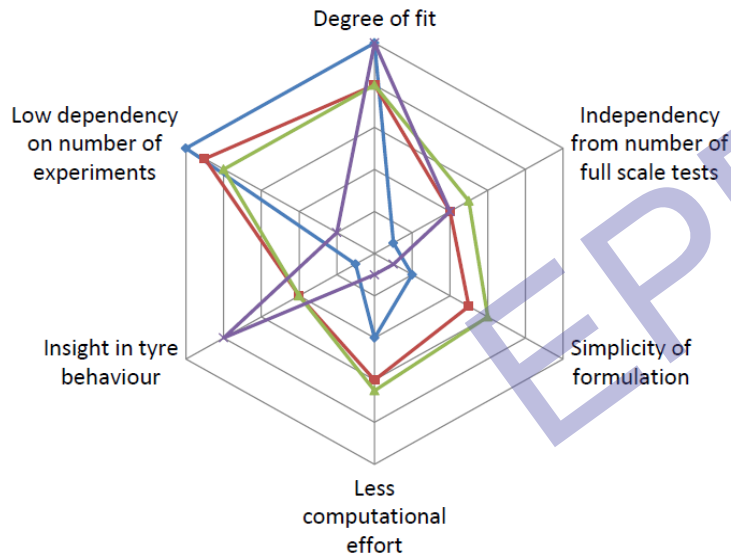
# State of art

- Tire models

- Empirical models
- Semi-empirical model
- Complex physical model(FEA)
- Physical model
  - Friction models [J Svendenius]
  - Rolling resistance [M Davari]



Trade off between grip and rolling resistance



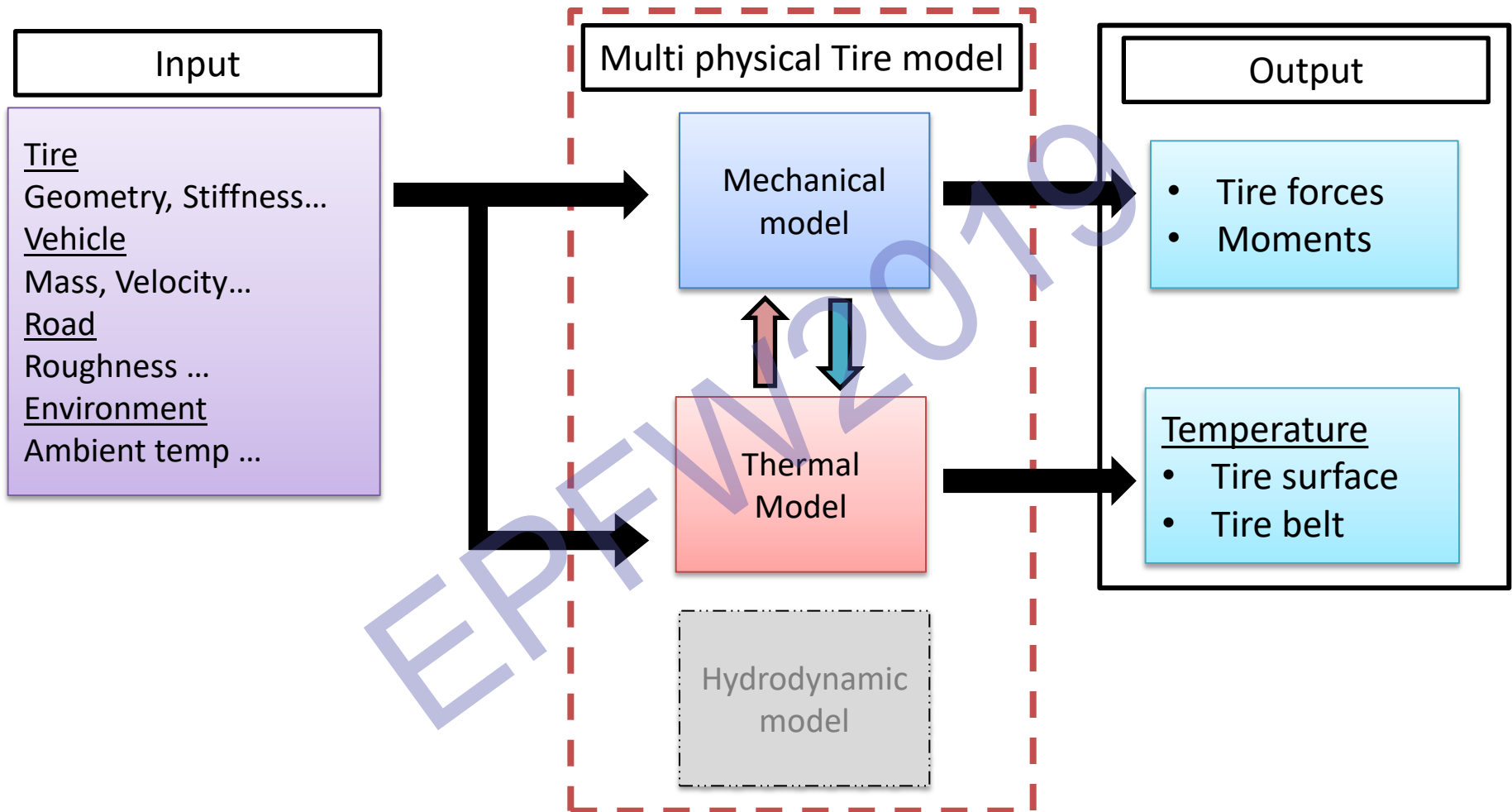
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# Research objective

Develop a tire-road interaction model which can take account the impact of parameters effecting friction and rolling resistance to provide precise contact forces

Road properties, stiffness, speed as mechanical parameters  
Temperature as thermal parameters  
Water height as hydrodynamic parameters

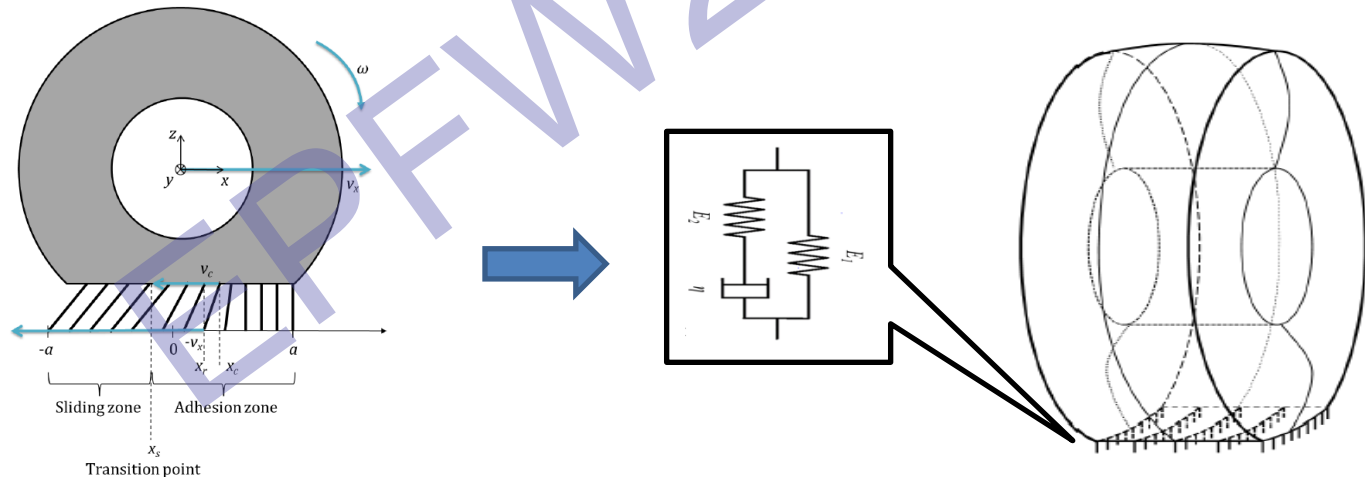
# Flow chart of model



# New multi physical tire model

- Mechanical model
  - Extension of classical brush model
  - Tread is modeled with finite number of bristles in contact
    - Maxwell 3 parameter model is used
    - Forces calculated with deformation of these parameters

$$F_M^t = F_M^{ve} = \sum_{\text{bristles}} f_{\text{bristles}}^{ve}(M = x, y, z)$$



\* Pacejka, H, 2002

\*\* Davari M, 2015

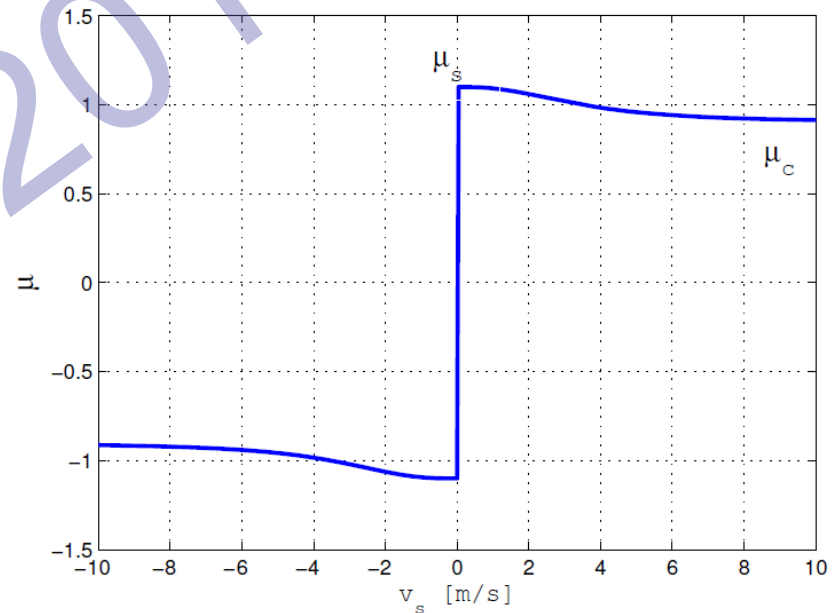
# New multi physical tire model

- Control
  - Deflection  $\leq 0$  : Bristle not in contact
  - $F_z \leq 0$  : Bristle not in contact

- Dynamic friction model

$$\mu_x(v_{slid,x}) = \mu_{c,x} + \frac{\mu_{s,x} - \mu_{c,x}}{1 + |v_{slid,x}/v_{str,x}|^{2.5}}$$
$$\mu_y(v_{slid,y}) = \mu_{c,y} + \frac{\mu_{s,y} - \mu_{c,y}}{1 + |v_{slid,y}/v_{str,y}|^{2.5}}$$

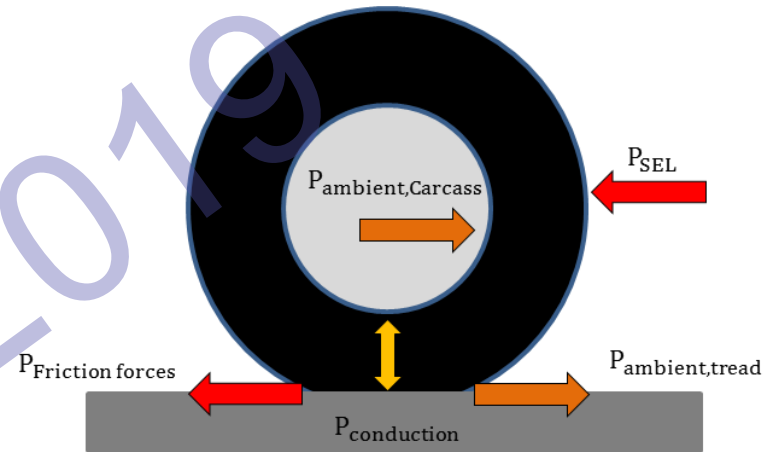
- Sliding forces
  - Calculated using SPM





# New multi physical tire model

- Thermal model
  - Heat Generation
    - Due to tire/road tangential interaction and tire cyclic deformation during rolling
  - Heat Exchange
    - With the external environment due to thermal conduction between the tread and the road, convections of the surface and the inner liner layers respectively
- Heat conduction
  - Between the tire layer due to the temperature gradients



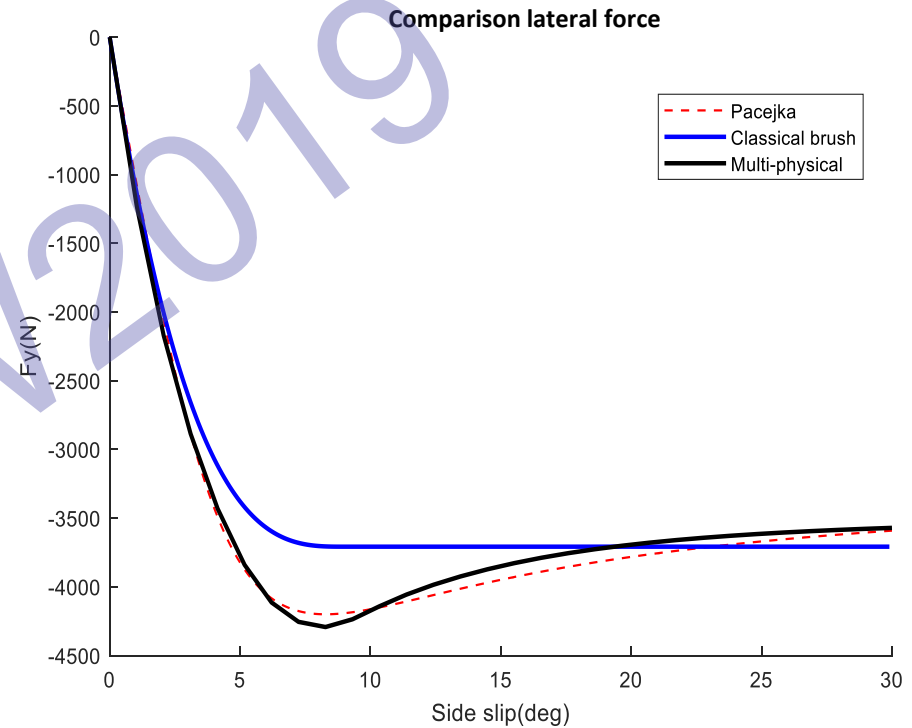
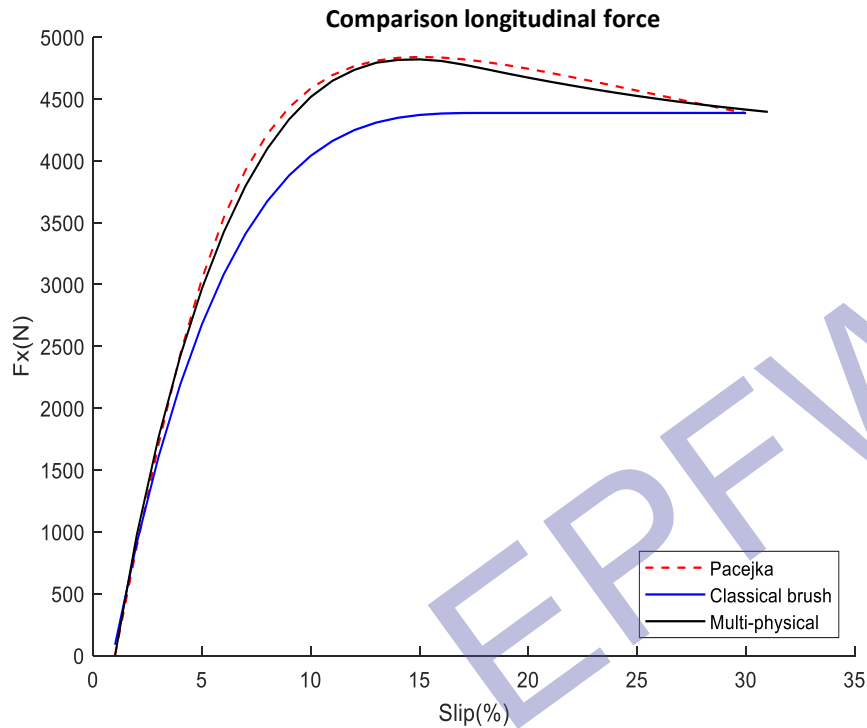
$$m_c c_v \frac{dT_{carcass}}{dt} = P_{SEL,c} + k_c (T_{tread} - T_{carcass}) * S_t + P_{ambient,carcass}$$

$$m_t c_t \frac{dT_{tread}}{dt} = P_{SEL,t} + P_{Friction\ forces} + P_{conduction} + P_{ambient,tread}$$

\*P=Power flux

# Simulation results(1/3)

- Comparison with classical brush model

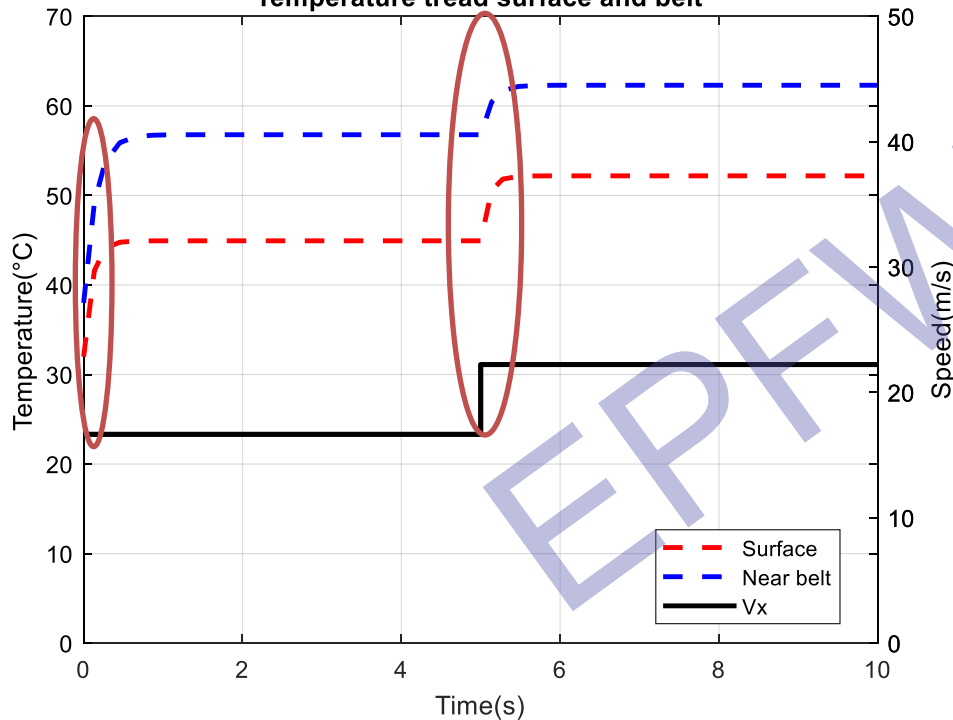


# Simulation results(2/3)

- Example : temperature evolution as a function of speed

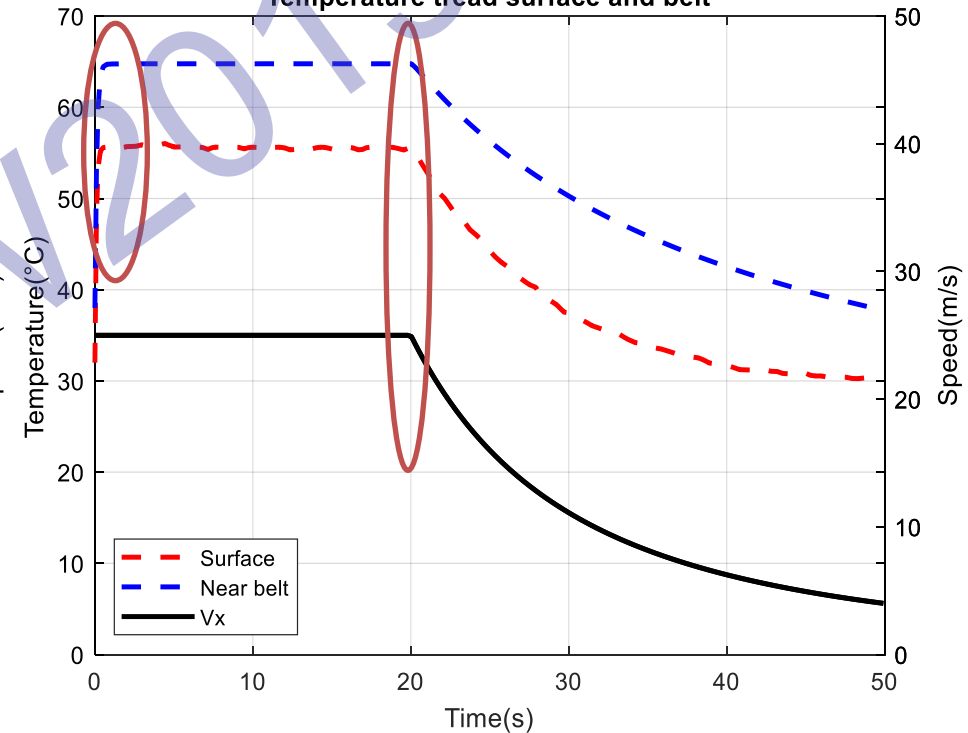
Increase in speed(Heating)

Temperature tread surface and belt



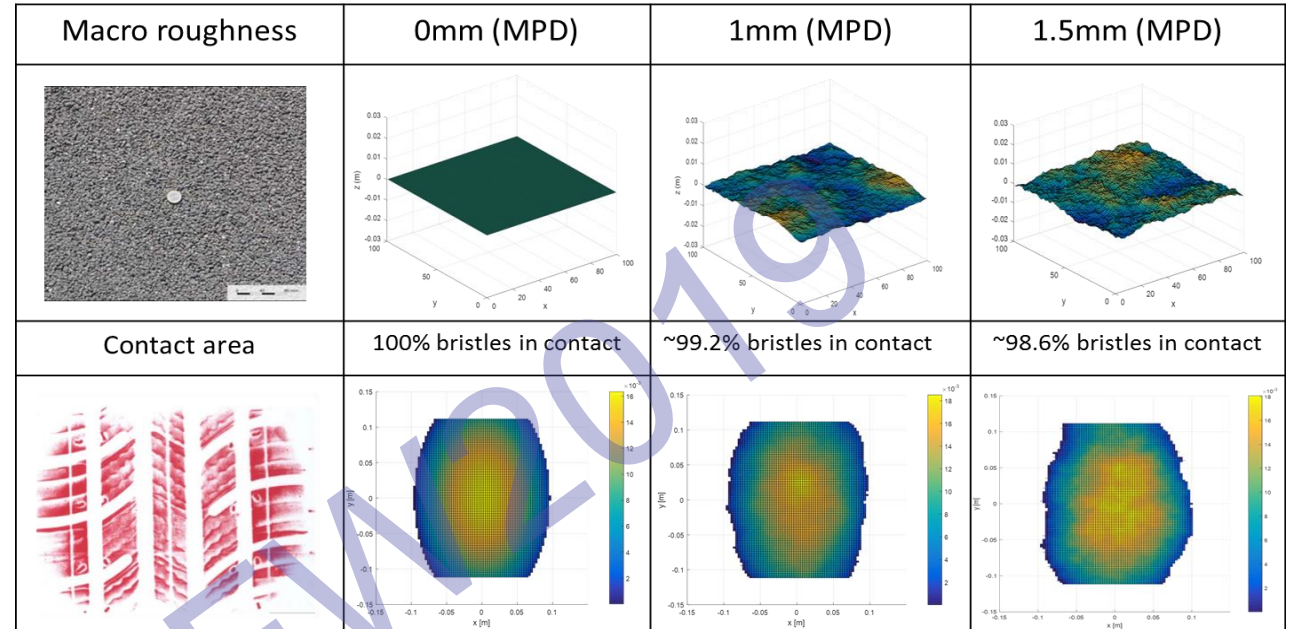
Free rolling (Cooling)

Temperature tread surface and belt

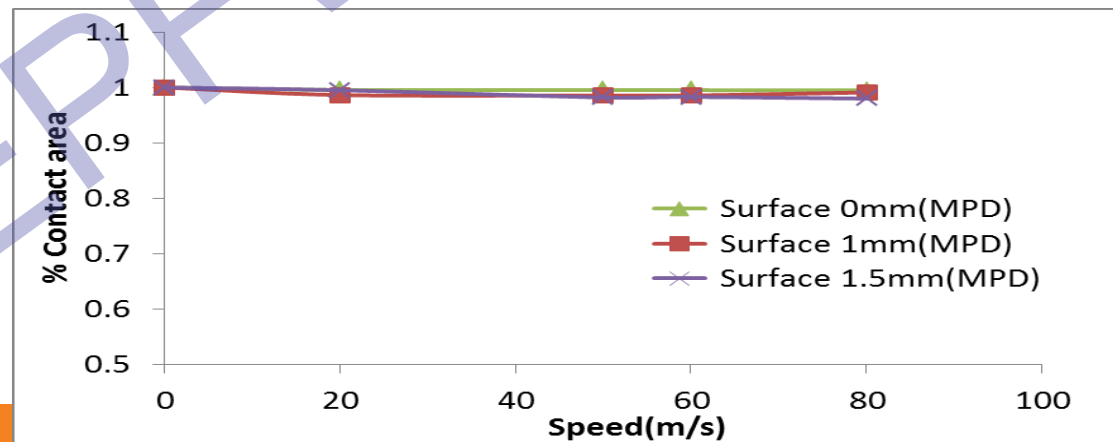


# Simulation results(3/3)

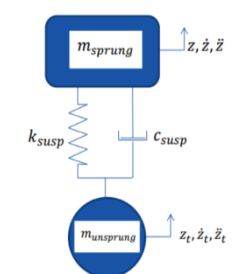
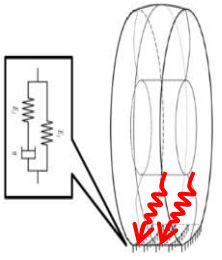
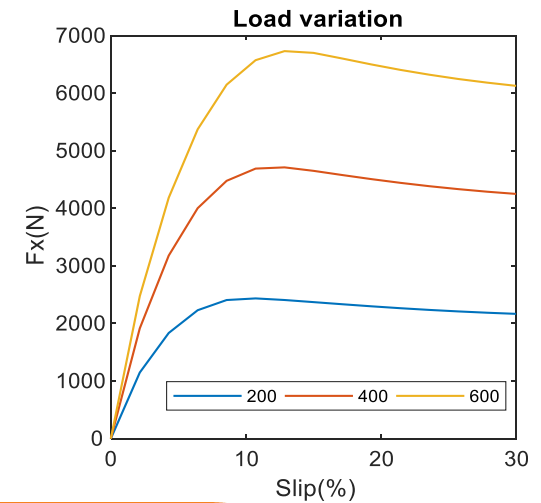
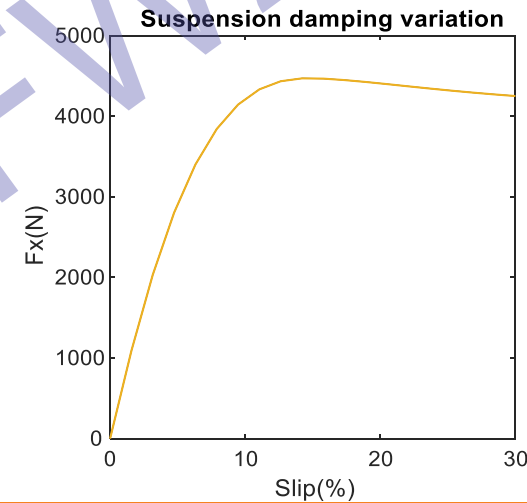
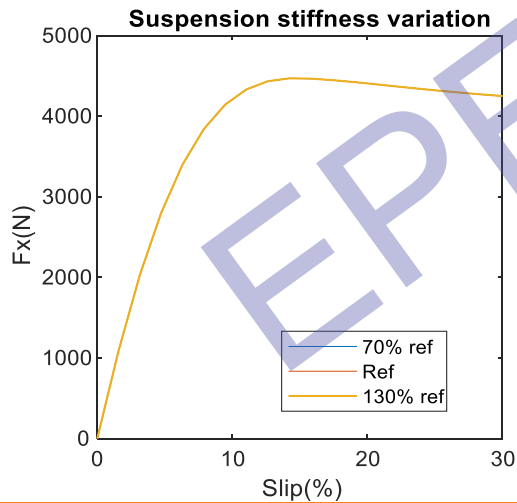
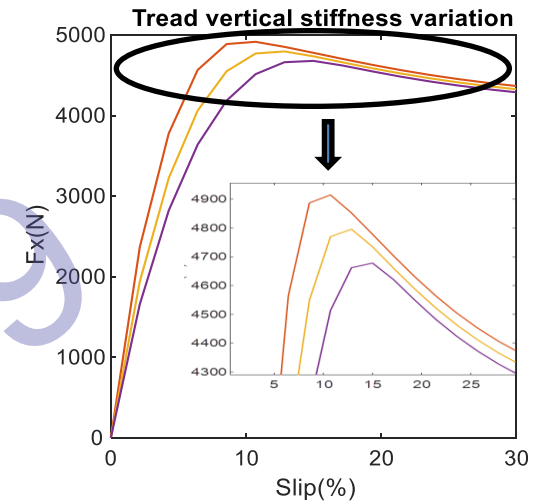
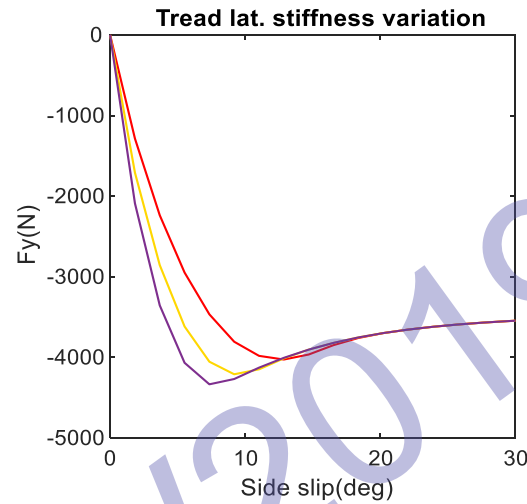
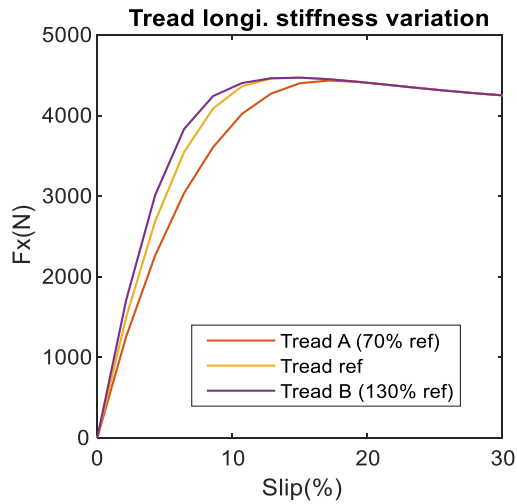
- Contact area as a function of macro texture  
( $F_z = 4\text{kN}$ ,  $V_x = 60\text{Km/h}$ )



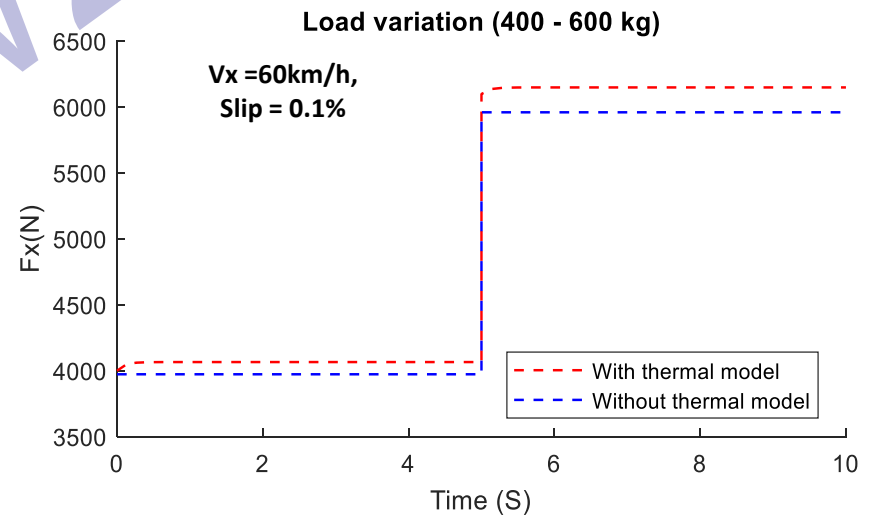
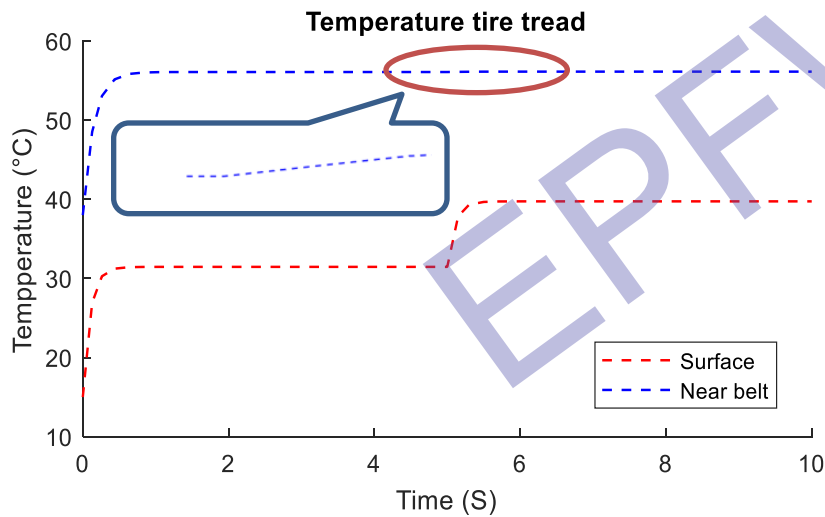
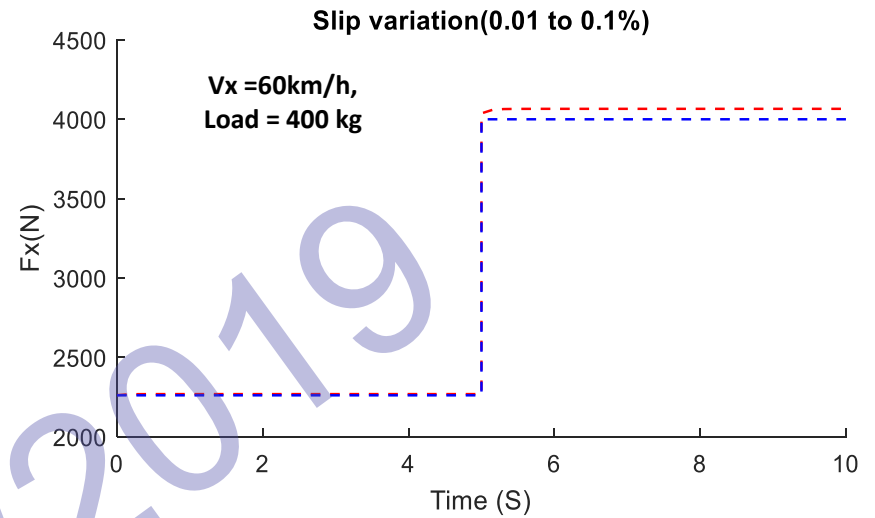
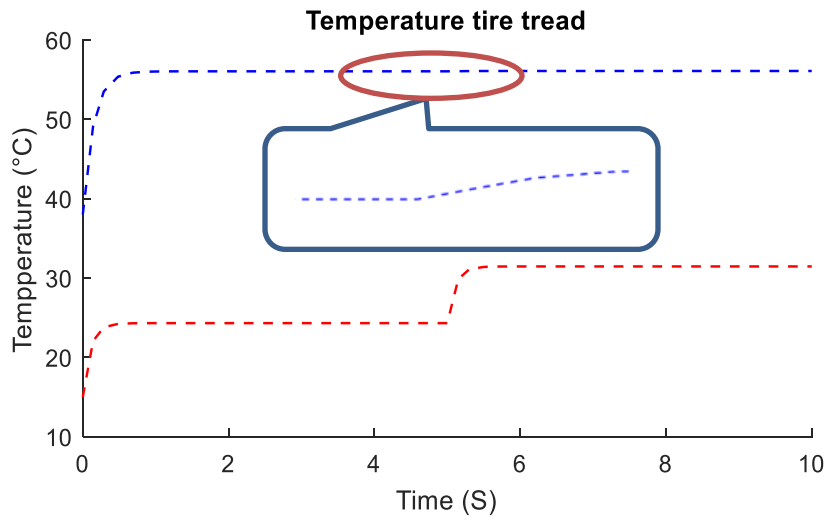
- Evolution of the contact area as a function of speed



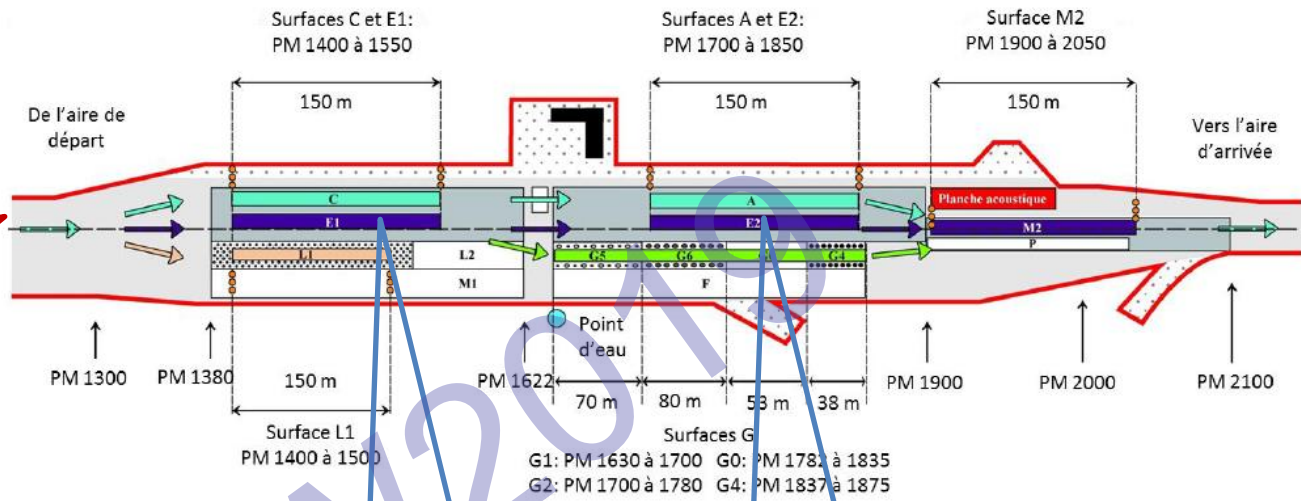
# Sensitivity study(1/2)



# Sensitivity study(2/2)



# Experimental design



E1: Dense asphalt concrete(old)      E2: Dense asphalt concrete(old)

Experiment was done on E1 and E2

Source: Project ROSSANE

# Experimental design



Infrared Temperature sensor



## Sensor Specification

- Accuracy  $\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Operate in ambient temperatures from  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$

## Experiment Condition

1. At constant velocity  $\approx 50\text{km/h}$
2. Accelerating from  $0\text{km/h}$  to  $115\text{km/h}$  and brake to  $0\text{km/h}$ .

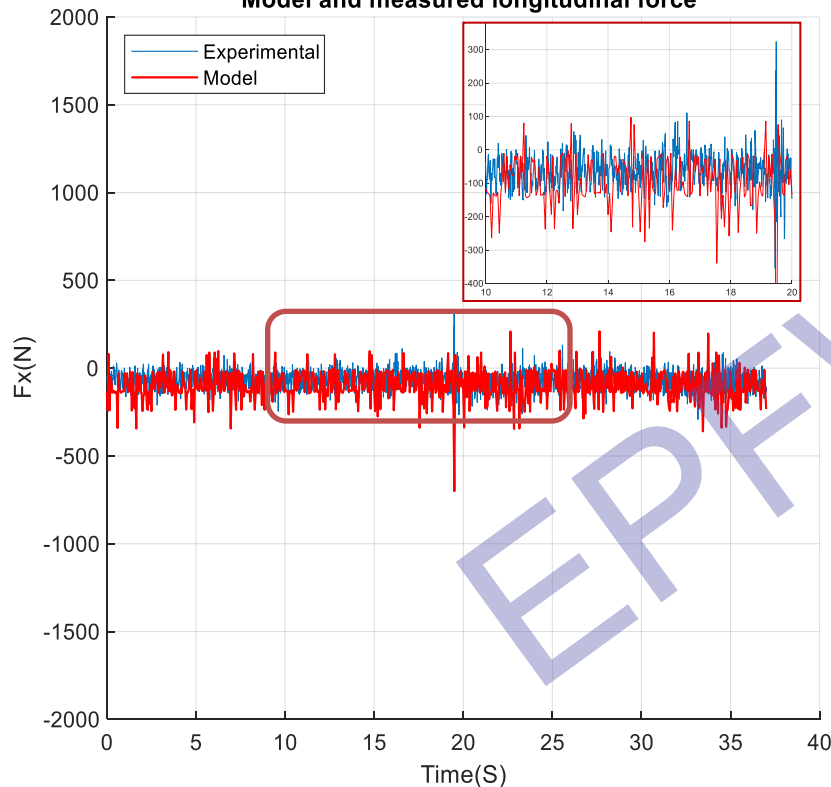


# Experimental result(1/4)

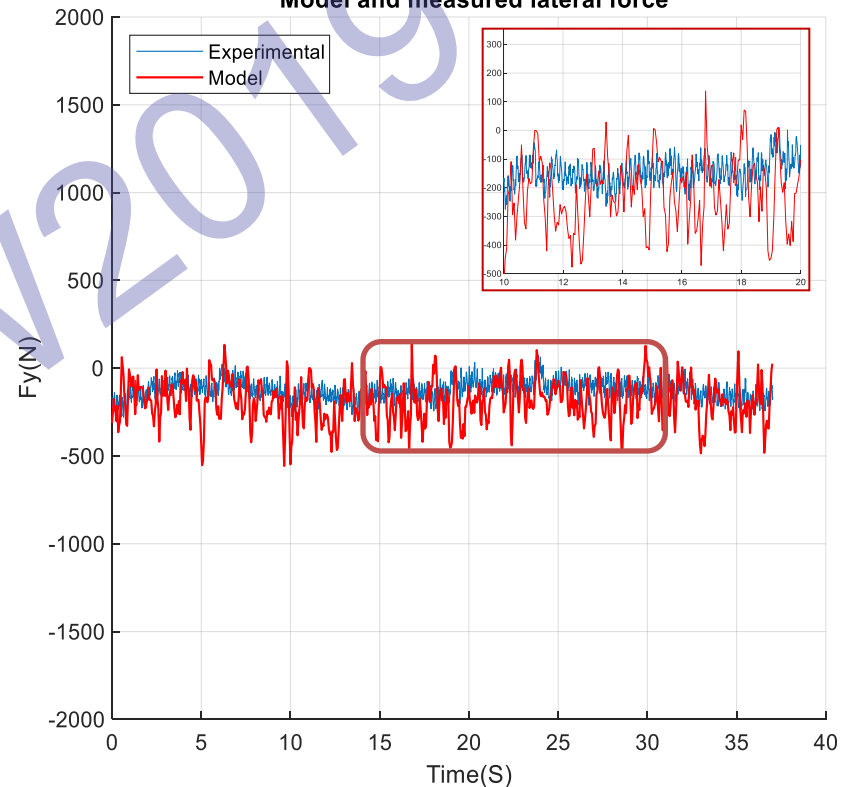
## Experiment Condition

1. At constant velocity  $\approx 52\text{km/h}$
2. Straight line motion on piste E1-E2

Model and measured longitudinal force

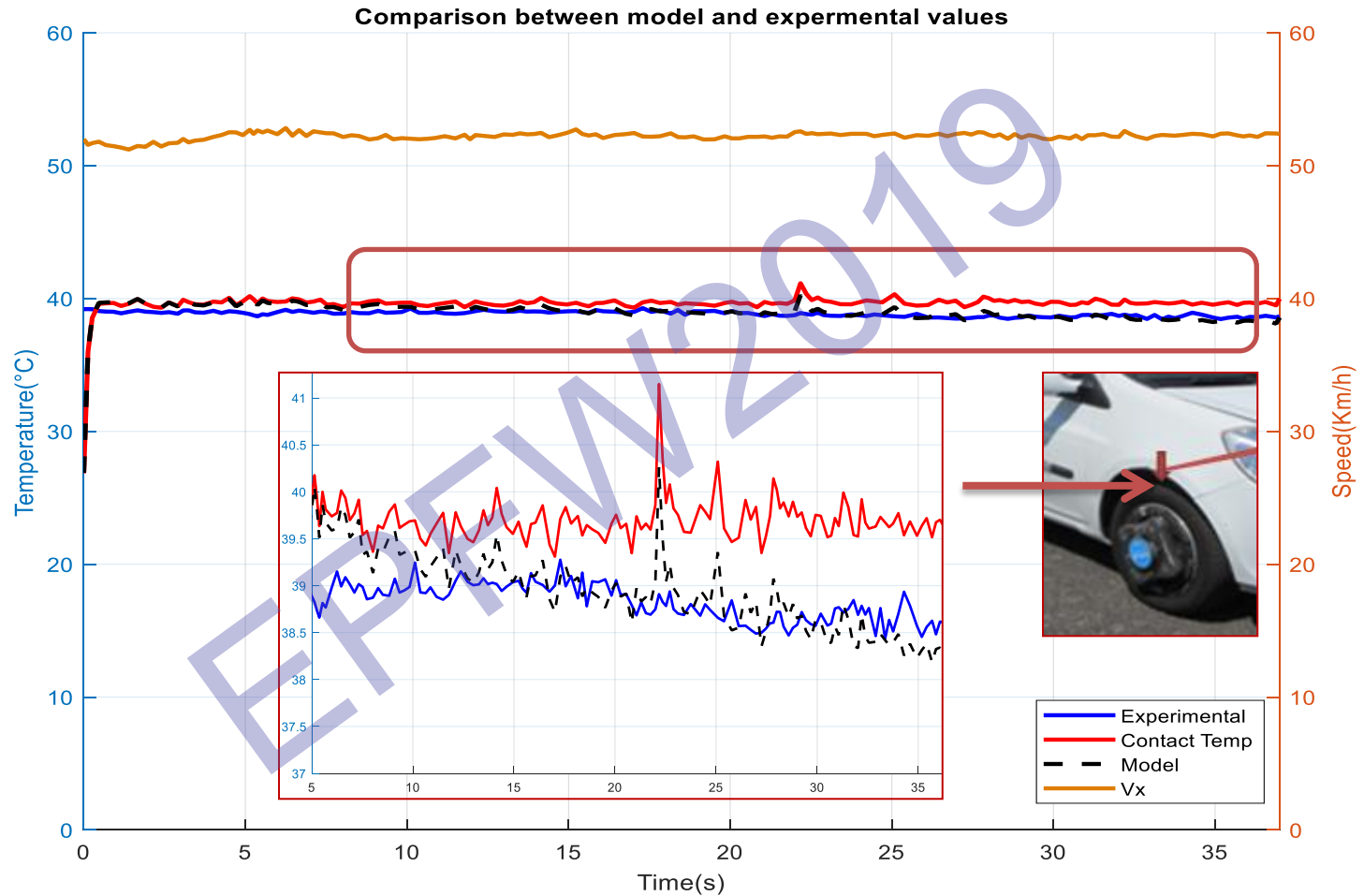


Model and measured lateral force



# Experimental result(2/4)

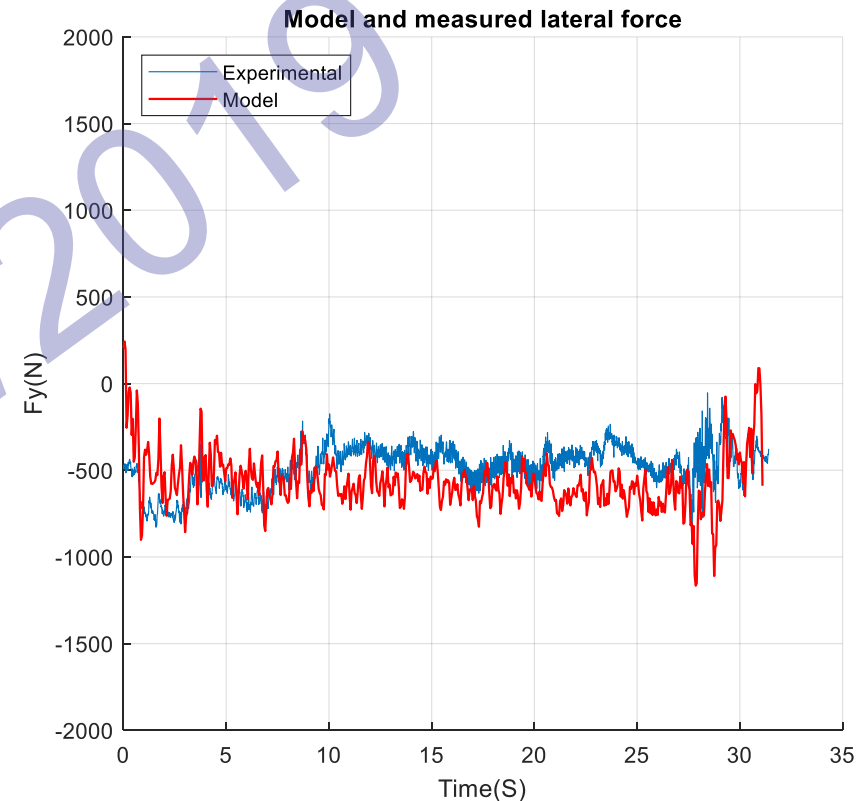
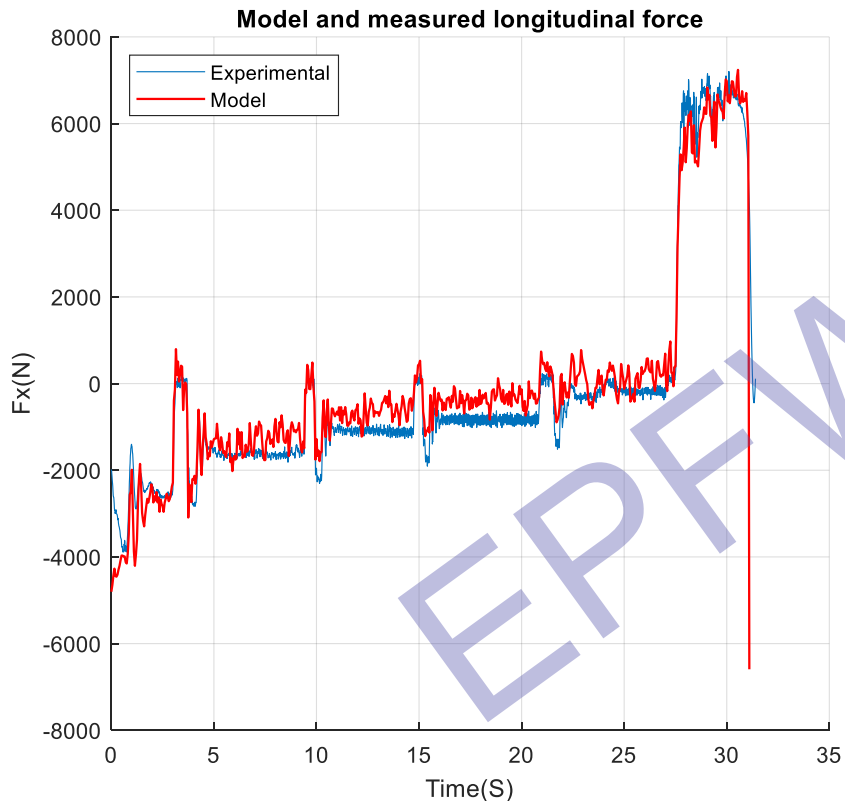
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# Experimental result(3/4)

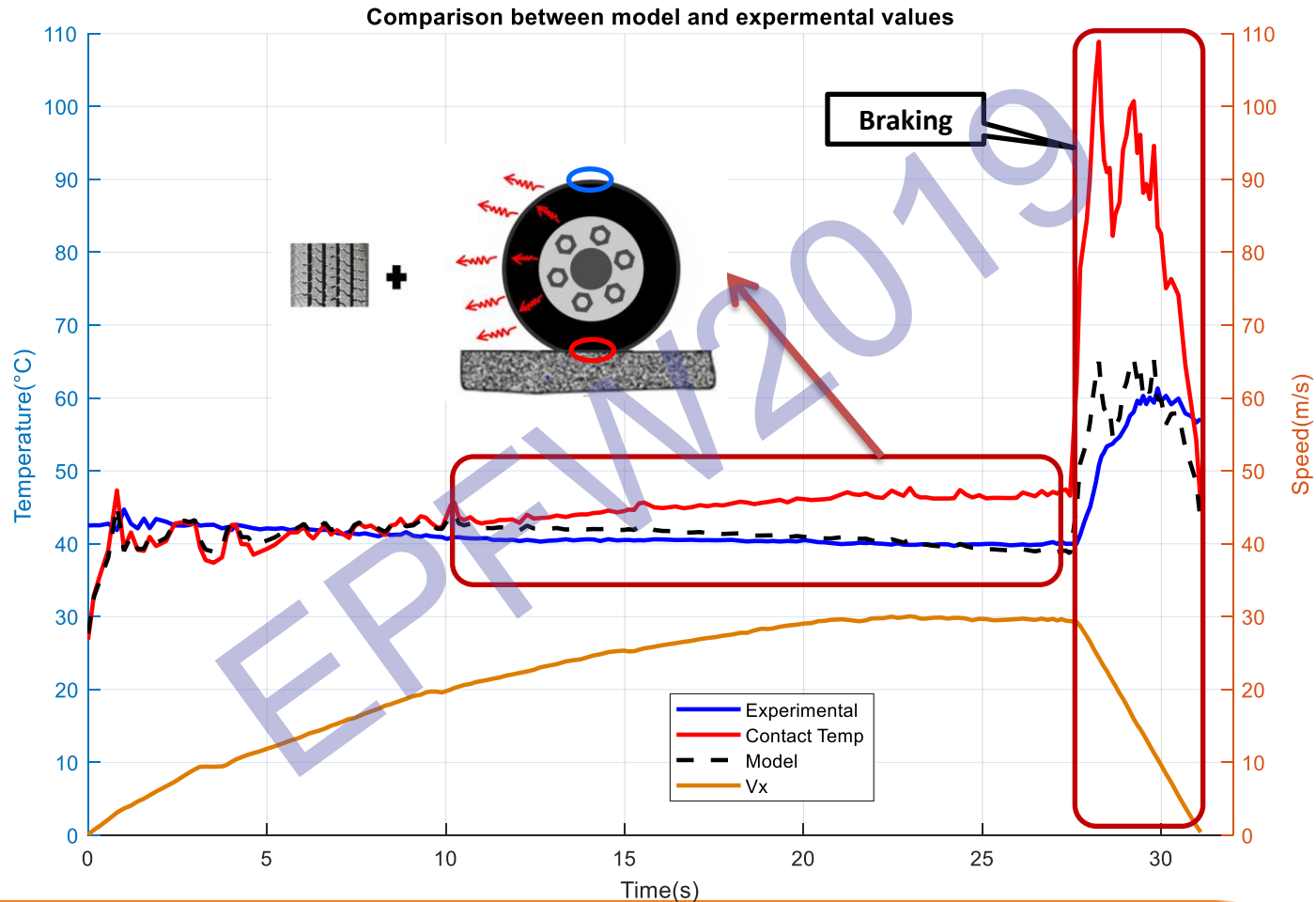
## Experiment Condition

1. Accelerating from 0km/h to 100km/h and braking to 0km/h
2. Straight line motion on piste E1-E2



# Experimental result(4/4)

Comparison of simulation and experimental results of tread surface temperature



# Conclusion

- Multi physical tire model is presented
  - Mechanical model with multiple contact point
  - Thermal model and its integration is presented
  - Impact of road texture is taken into account
- Validation
  - Numerical comparison
  - Experimental comparison
- Future objectives
  - Integration of hydrodynamic model
  - Implement on full vehicle model

# Thank you for your attention

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