

Investigation of active bogie stabilisation using SIMPACK Control and SIMAT

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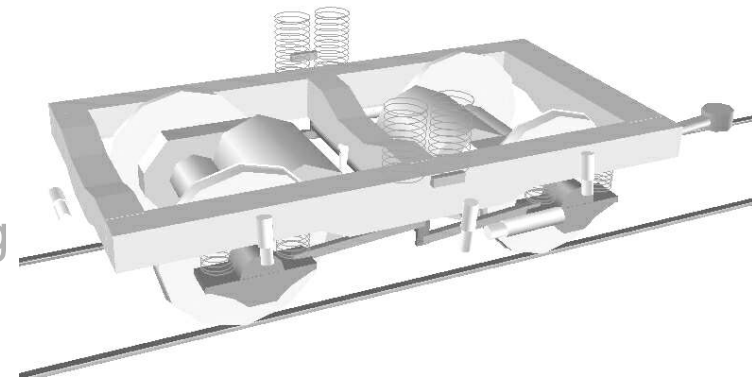
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Present and further activities

4 System Locomotive:

New bogies based on BR 145/146:

- ◆ Unsuspended Drive
- ◆ Suspended Drive
- ◆ Each variation with or without coupling system for radial steering



Co-simulation:

- ◆ Getting more experience using SIMAT
- ◆ Building up additional know-how
- ◆ **Applying co-simulation in further fields of bogie engineering**

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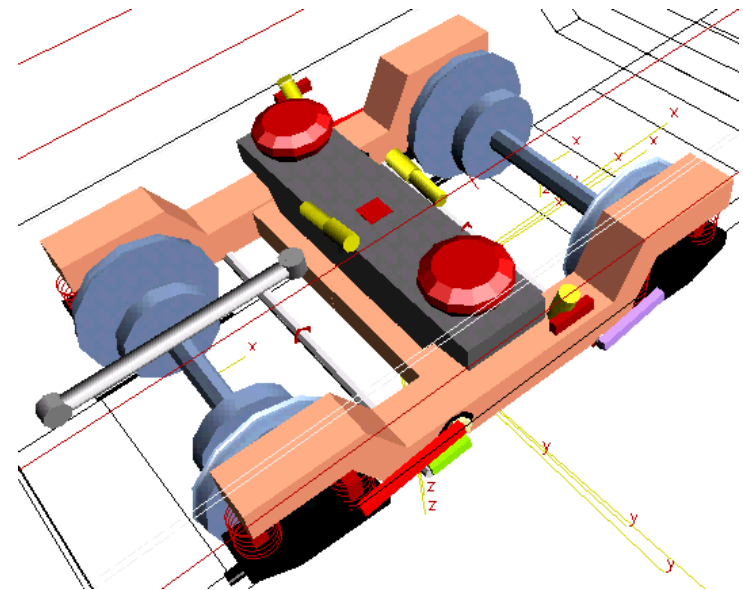
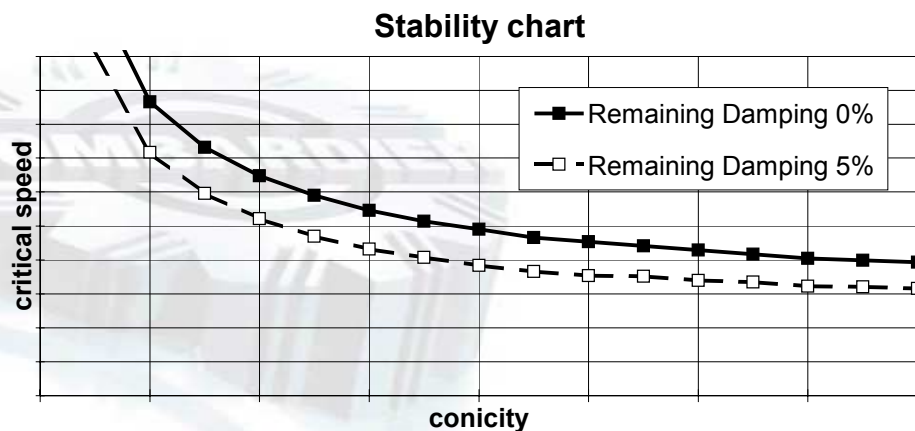


Stability investigation (1)

Eigenvalue calculations

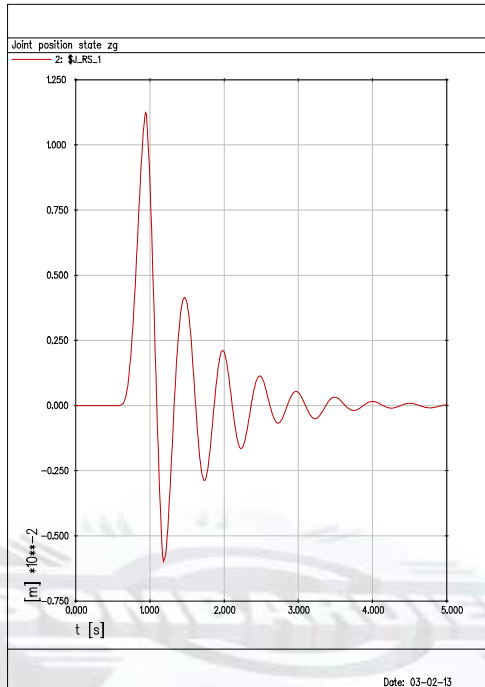
- Determination of critical speed for hunting eigenmode
- Determination of remaining damping
- Variation of conicity and velocity
- Generation of stability charts using Critical Parameter Variation

No.	Nat. Damping [-]	Frequency[Hz]
59/ 60	0.9983	4.6098
61/ 62	0.0210	4.7601
63/ 64	0.2962	4.7928
65/ 66	-0.0443	4.9148
67/ 68	0.9964	5.2026
69/ 70	0.5737	5.2561
71/ 72	0.9961	5.3638
73/ 74	0.2379	5.7868
75/ 76	0.1827	6.5382

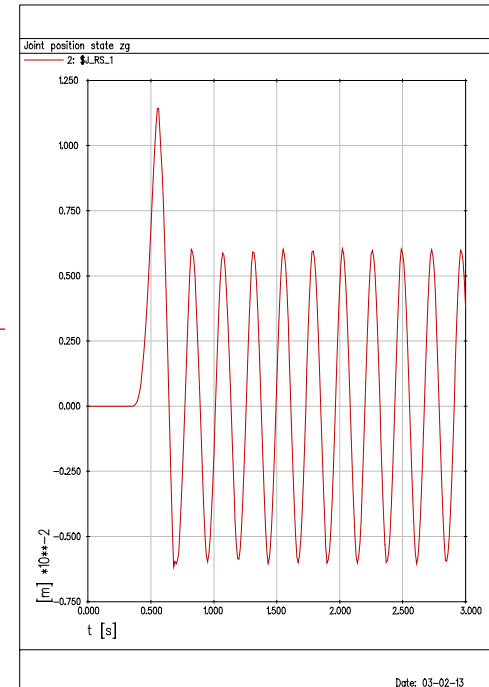
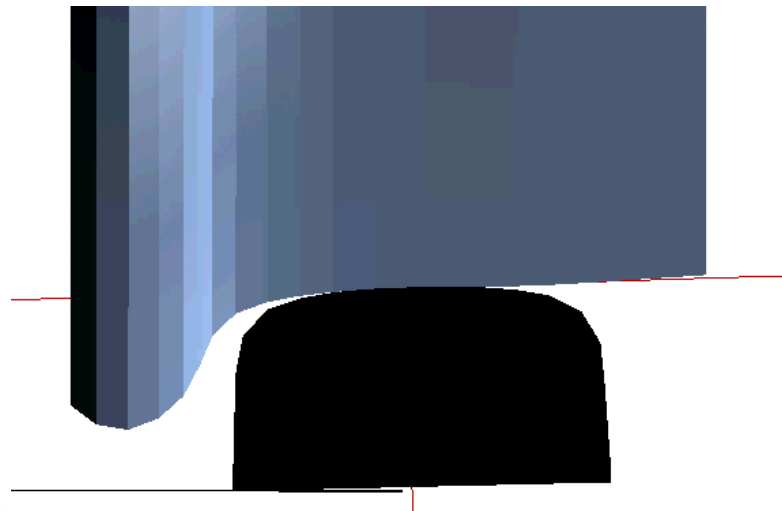


Stability investigation (2)

Reaction to single lateral track input



stable



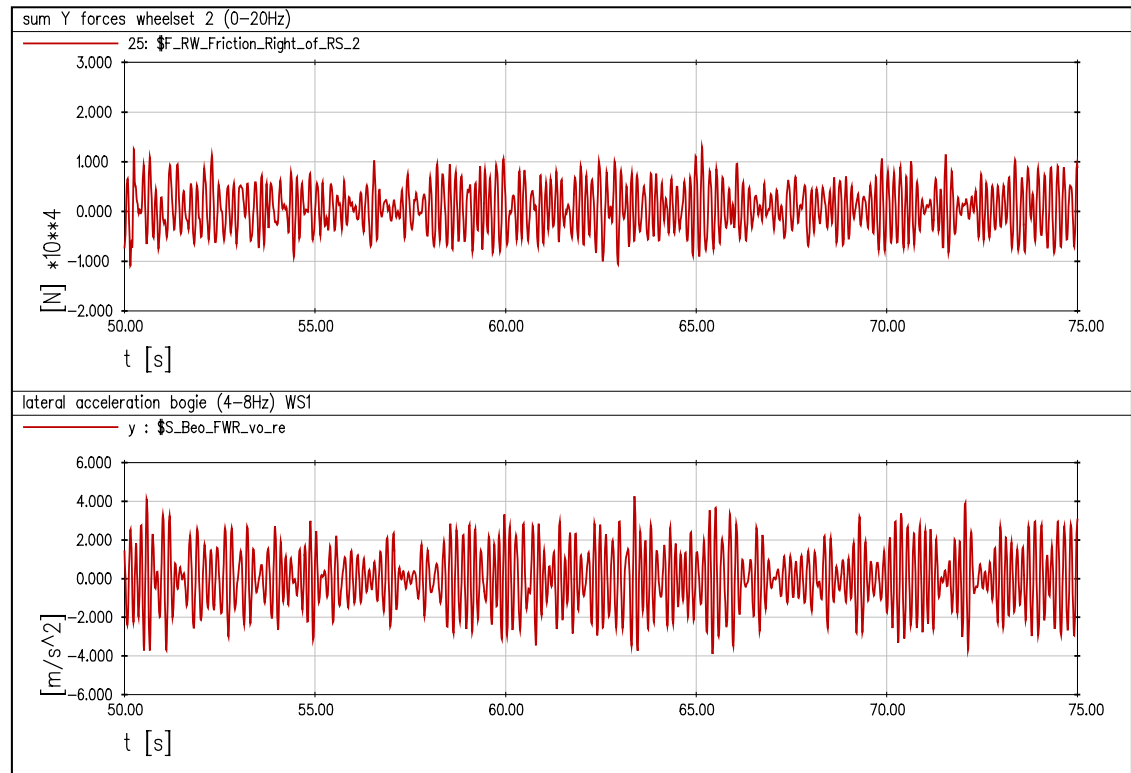
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Stability investigation (3)

Behaviour on track with irregularities

■ Evaluation of:

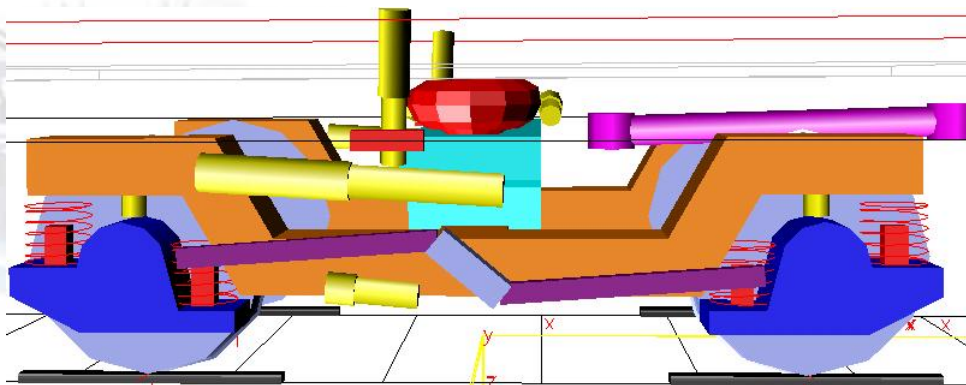
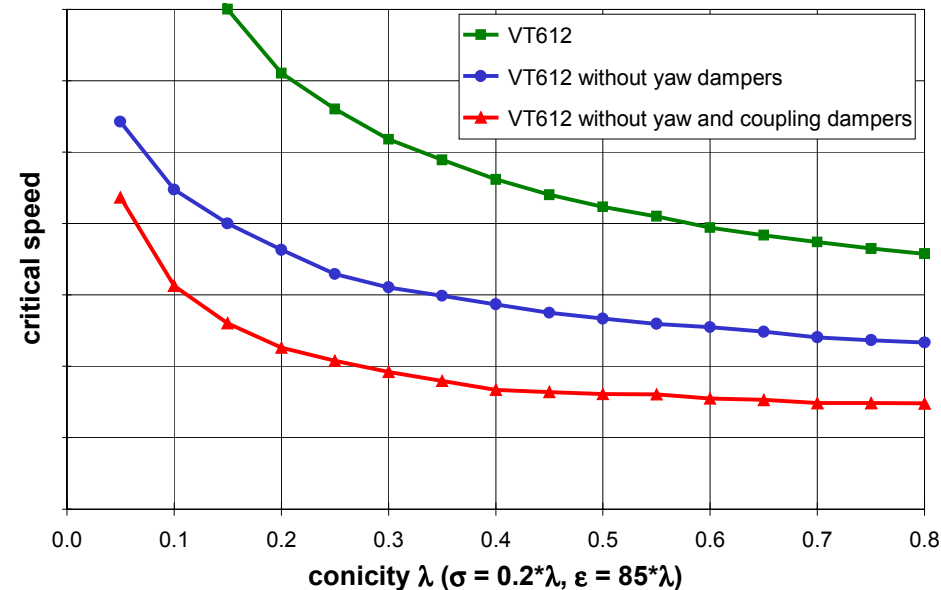
- Sum of lateral wheel/rail forces
- Lateral acceleration at bogie frame



Stability behaviour of passive bogie

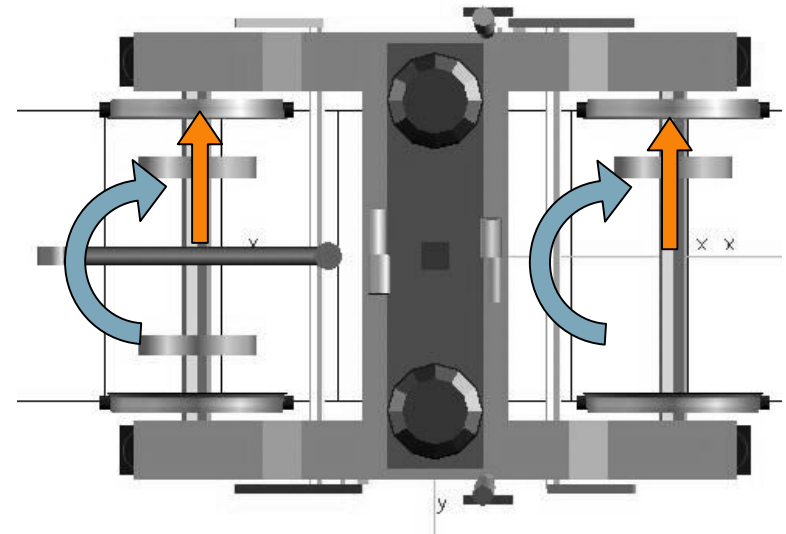
- Yaw dampers between bogie frame and carbody are essential for stability
- (VT612 has additional coupling dampers)
- “Basis stability” is provided by longitudinal and lateral stiffness of primary suspension

Stability chart



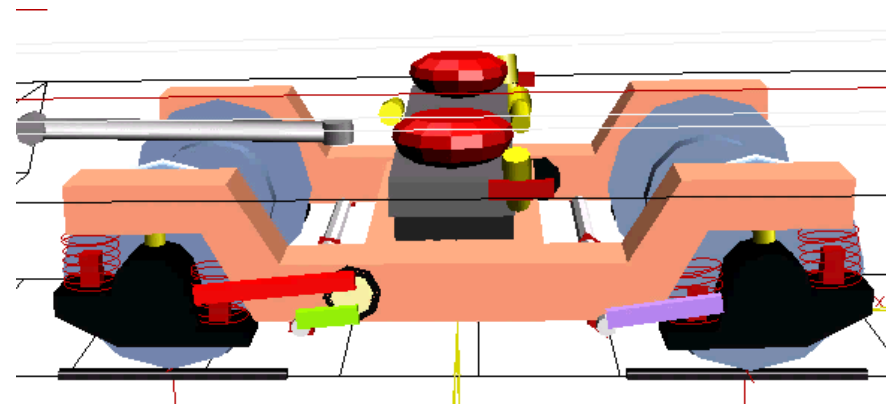
Principle of stability controller

- Applied **yaw torque** on wheelset proportional to **lateral velocity**
(R. Goodall, Loughborough University)



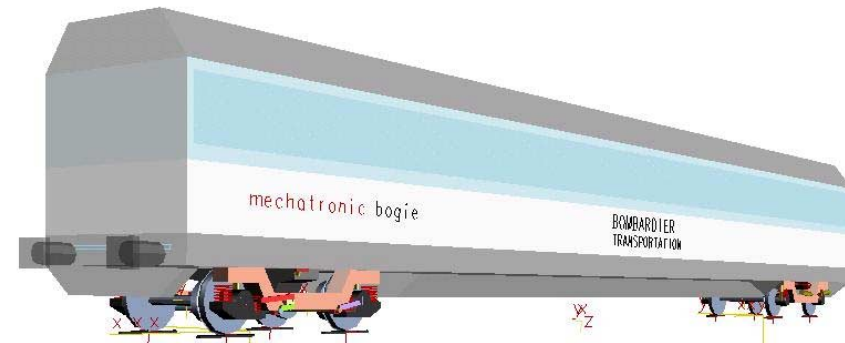
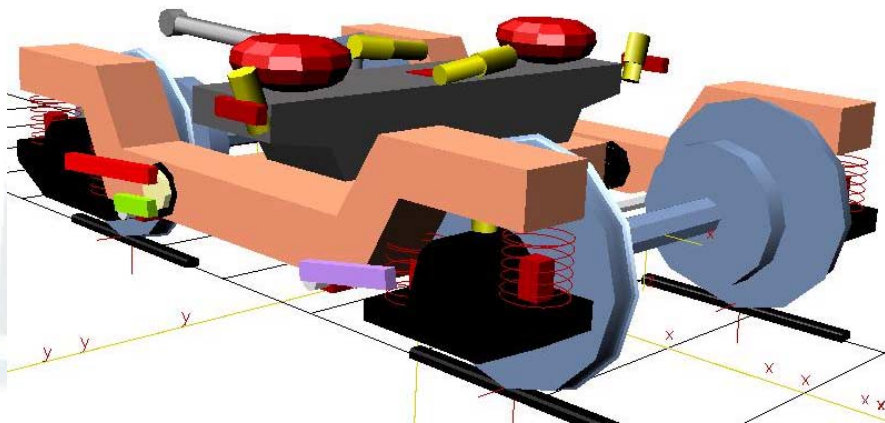
Realisation of torque application

- Actuators (one for each wheelset) apply torque via steering linkages and torsion bars.



Mechanical SIMPACK Model

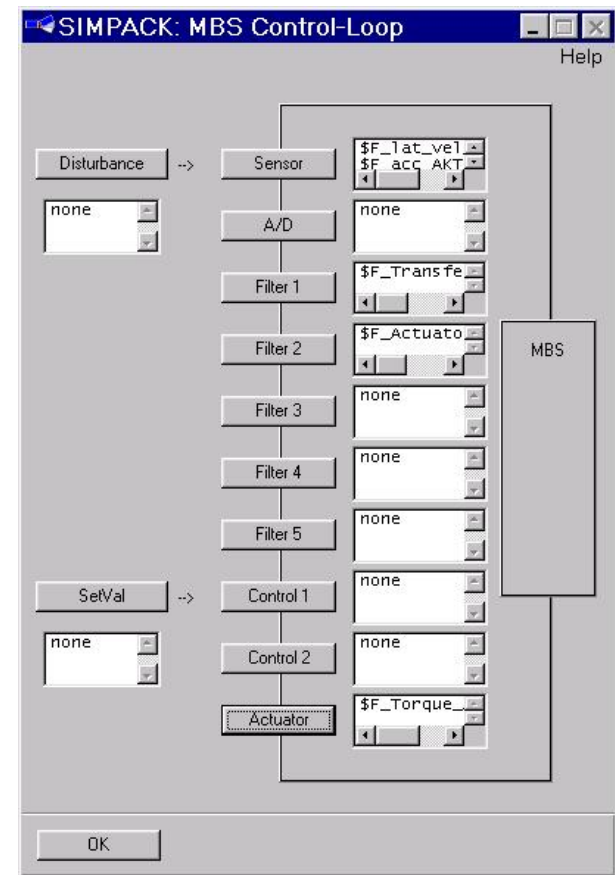
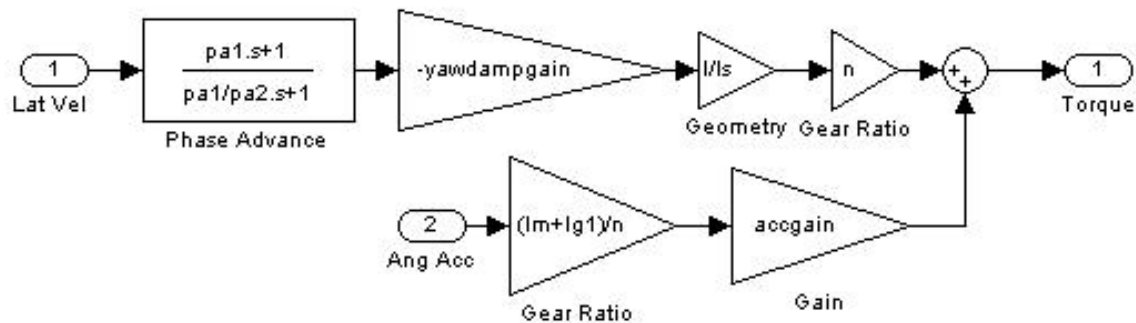
- Passenger coach on two bogies:
 - simple dummy bogie
 - detailed modelled active bogie



Implementing of controller in SIMPACK

- “Simple” controller with:

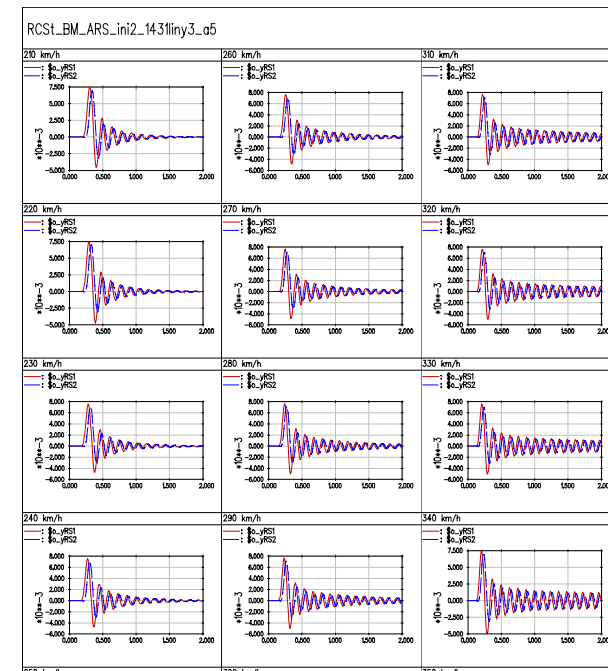
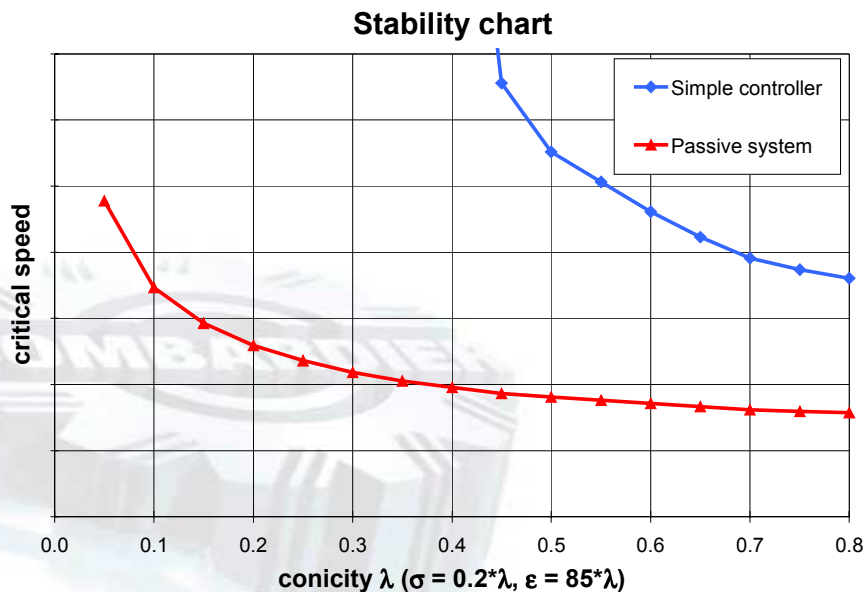
- 2 inputs per wheelset
- 1 output per wheelset



Controller implemented in SIMPACK

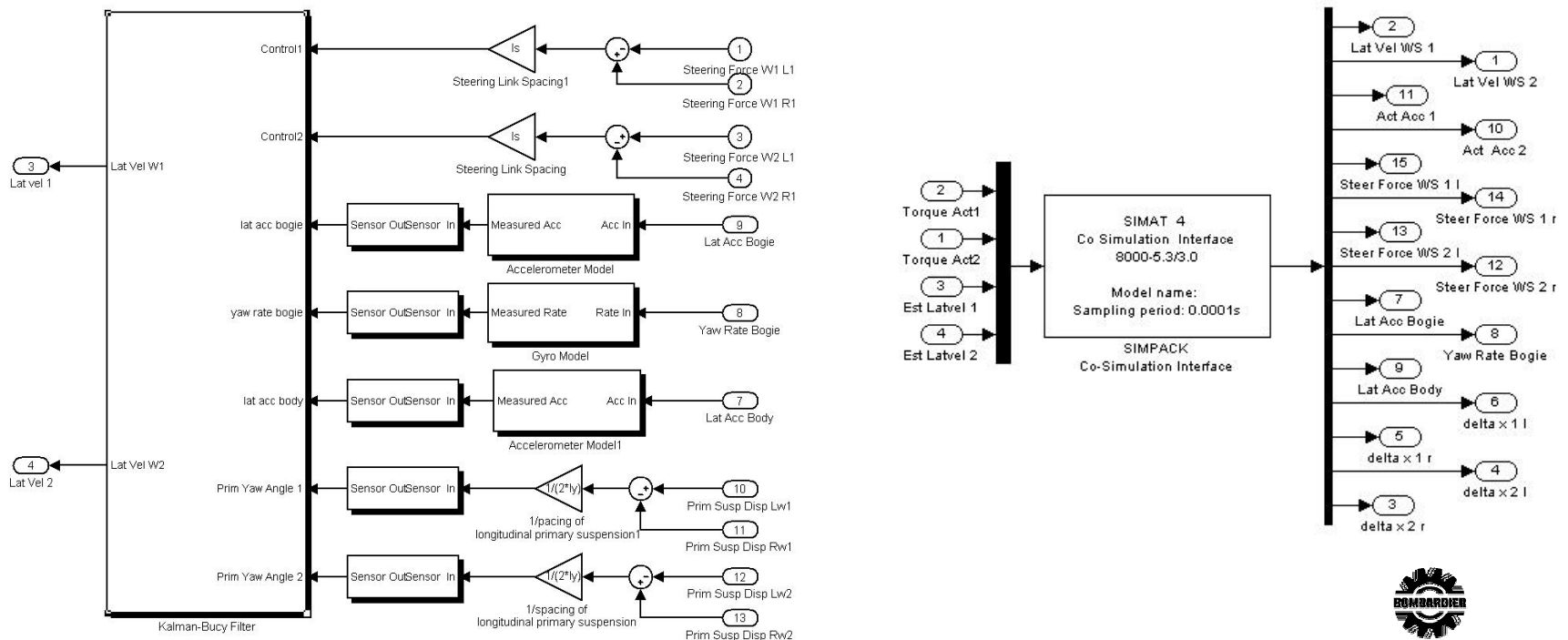
Calculations with “simple” controller

- Eigenvalue calculation
Critical parameter variation
for generating stability chart
- Time integration using parameter
variation for investigation of
reaction to single track input



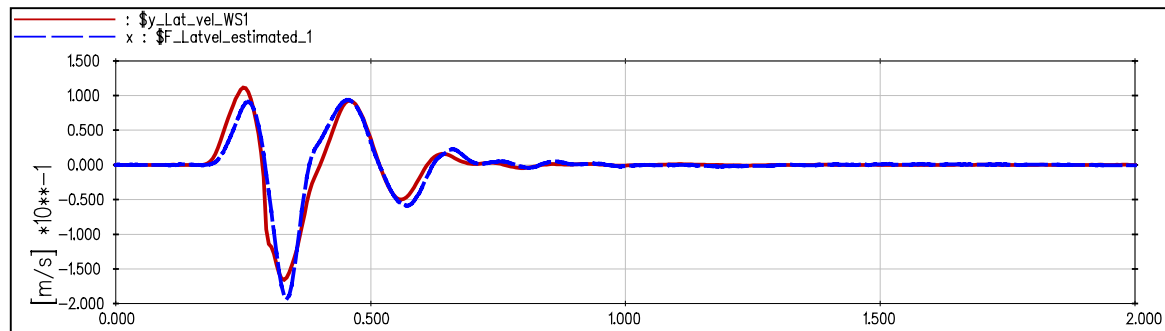
Investigation of advanced controller model with SIMAT

- **MATLAB model of controller with estimator for lateral wheelset velocity**
- **Sophisticated model needs several input values**
- **Co-simulations performed with SIMPACK/MATLAB interface SIMAT**

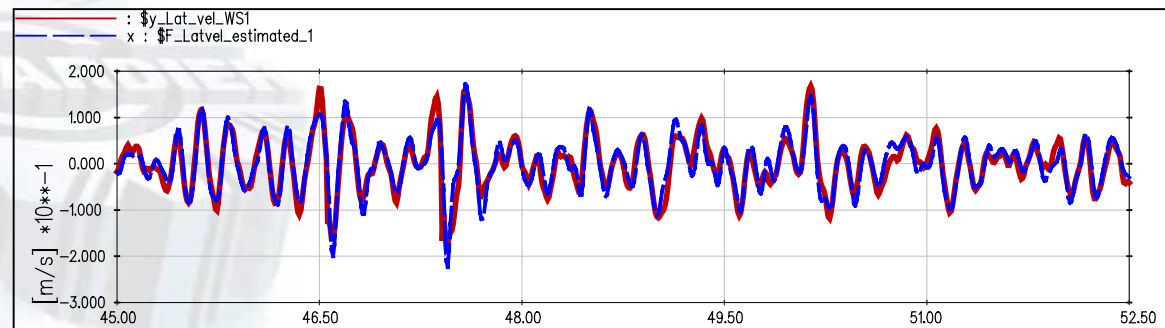


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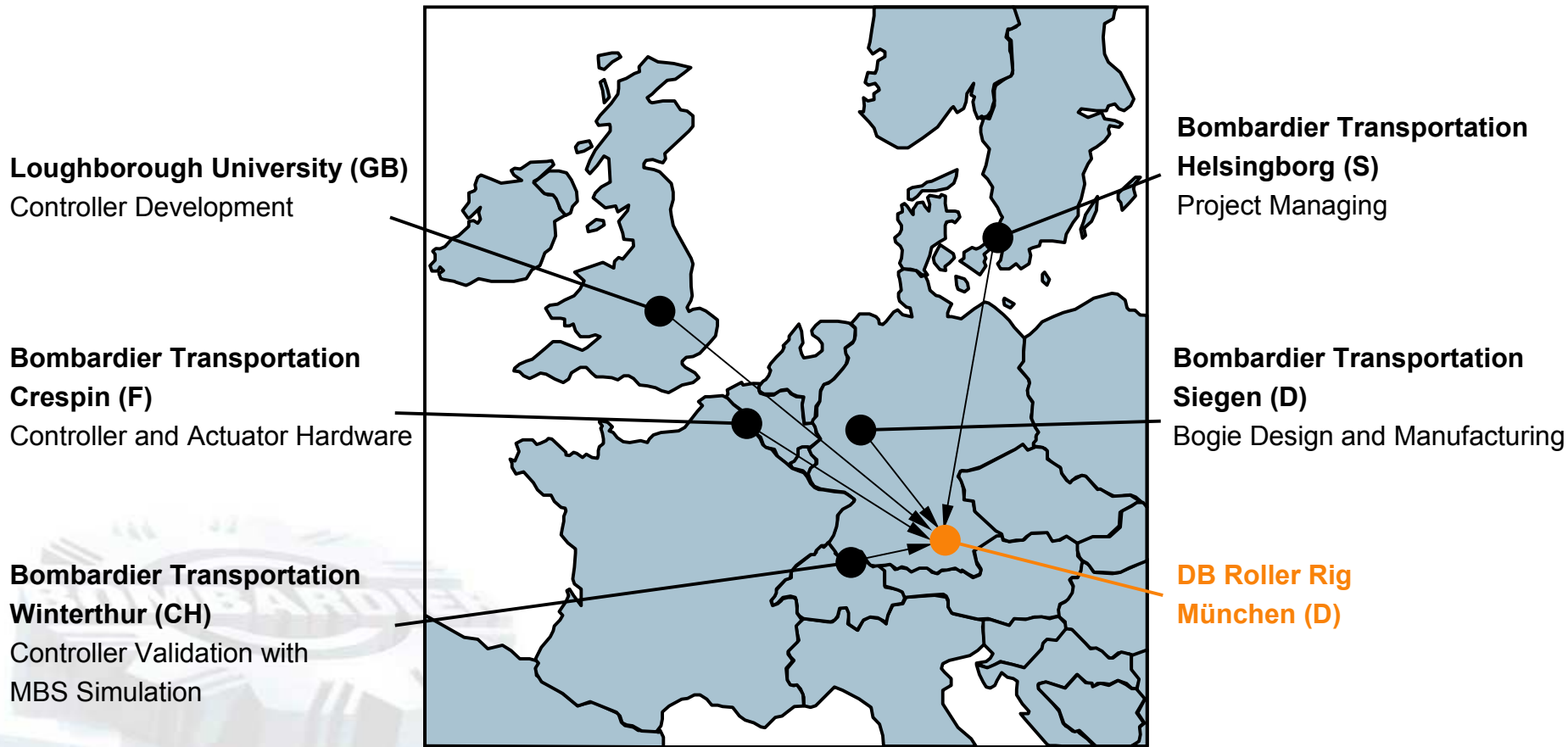
- Examination of estimator performance: difference between actual and estimated lateral velocity
 - Investigation of reaction to single track input



- Behaviour on track with irregularities



Project Team



Tests at Roller Rig in Munich

- **Assembling of carbody, prototype bogie and controller**
- **Stability tests with passive system**
 - Variation of conicity by changing of roller gauge
- **Commissioning of controller with open loop tests**
- **Stability tests with active system**
 - Variation of speed up to 300 km/h
- **Running on track irregularities**

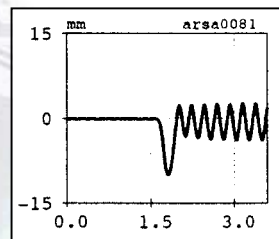


Measurement results from roller rig

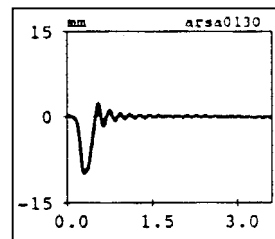
- Stability tests with single lateral track input



passive system
(without controller)

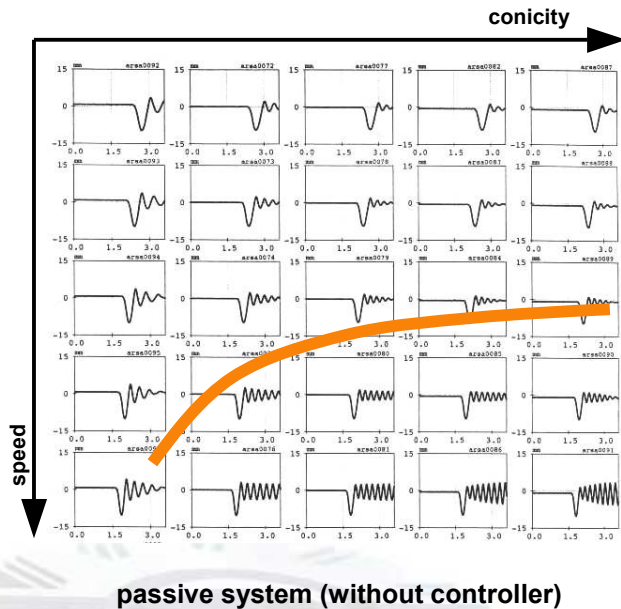


active system
(with stability control)

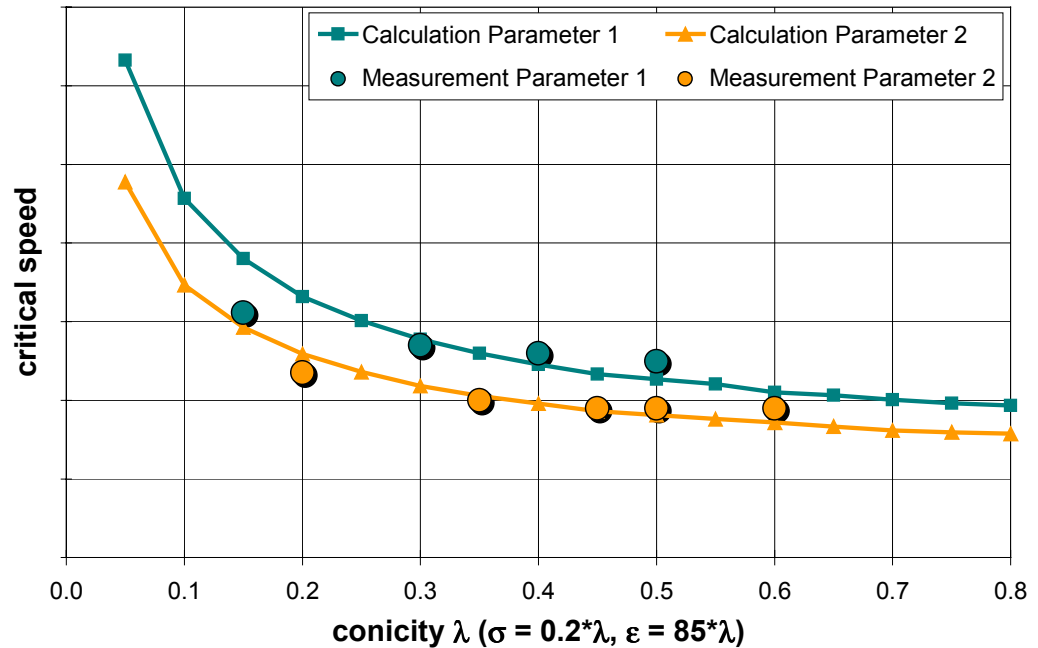


Comparison of calculation and measurement

- Generation of stability chart



Stability chart

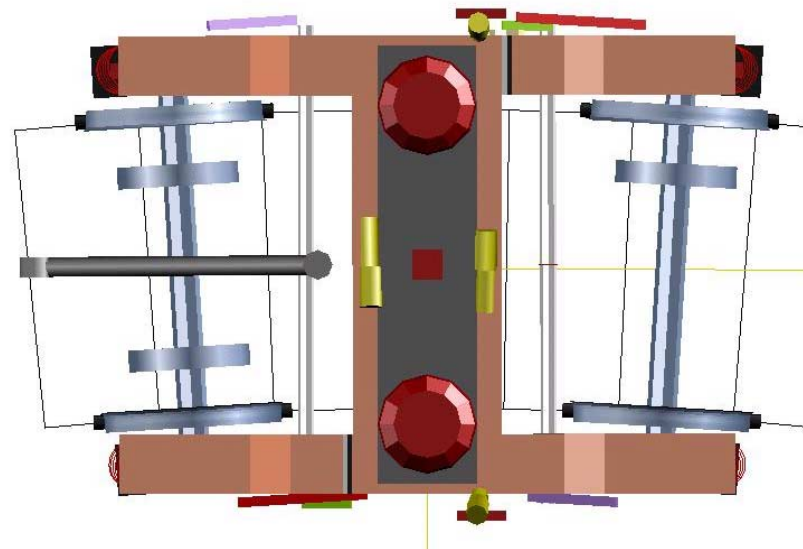


- Comparison for different bogie parameters
(linear calculation compared with non-linear measurement)



Further activities

- **Disadvantage of passive bogies:**
Compromise necessary between stable behaviour on straight track and good curving behaviour
- **Active system:**
Actuators and steering linkages can provide torque on wheelsets for
 - active stabilisation
 - active radial steering



Further activities

- **Development of controller for active radial steering**
- **Simulation with steering controller**
- **Combination of stability and steering controller**
- **Simulation of combined controller**
- **Testing of both controllers on track**

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