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Preface

In recent years, steering system technologies have undergone rapid development. This was caused by increased regulatory requirements in the areas of environment and safety, through the increased comfort requirements of the customer and not least by the continuing cost pressure. New ways has been taken up for steering components such as steering wheel, steering column, and steering gear. The most substantial change has been the progressive substitution of conventional hydraulic steering systems with electrical steering systems. With this change in technology a variety of new steering functions have been made possible. It is therefore not surprising that the steering system development as such occupies an ever-increasing role in modern chassis development. Due to the lack of a standard English book on the subject of steering systems/steering behavior, which describes the current state of the art, we decided with Springer Verlag to publish the German Steering Handbook also in English. We have taken into account the different interests and requirements of automotive manufacturers, suppliers, and universities in such a standard work by the involvement of proven experts from these areas.

In the first part of this book, the kinematic and vehicle dynamics of steering is explained and discussed, and also the influence of the suspension characteristics for the steering operation is investigated. A chapter is devoted to the interaction between driver and vehicle to analyze the aspects of steering feel. The central chapters of this book are devoted to individual steering modules, their design, and component tests. Described in detail are the components steering wheel, steering column with intermediate steering shaft, and the steering rack in mechanical, hydraulic, and electro-mechanical design. Special steering system technologies such as the superimposed steering system and four-wheel steering are also discussed in detail. Much attention was paid to illustrate the current state of the steering system technology and its interaction with the entire vehicle comprehensibly. Also important secondary aspects such as acoustic performance, energy requirements, and functional safety are treated in detail. Furthermore, the possibilities regarding driver assistance functions enabled by modern steering systems are shown. The profound expertise of nearly 40 experts from industry and academia

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was utilized for the creation of the steering handbook. We would like to thank all the authors for their expertise and perseverance. Also we thank Springer for publishing. Only through the dedication of all those involved, this textbook has been possible.

The readers of this book were asked by us to give feedback for improvements. Please send your suggestions to the following email address: peter.pfeffer@hm.edu. We will accommodate your suggestions in the next editions.

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Abbreviations and Symbols

Abbreviations

4WAS 4 Wheel Active Steer (Nissan)
ABS Anti-Lock Brake System
AC Alternating Current
AD Analog-Digital Converter
AFS Active Front Steering
AHK Aktive rear axle kinematic
AMR Anisotropen Magnetoresistiv

APA Paraxial drive unit

ASIC Application-Specific Integrated Circuit
ASIL Automotive Safety Integrity Level

ASM Asynchronous Motor

ASM Assembly

ATF Automatic Transmission Fluid

BCM Body-Control-Modul

BLDC Brushless Direct Current Motor
BRIC Brasil, Russia, India, China
CAE Computer Aided Engineering
CAN Controller Area Network
C-EPS Steering Column Assisted EPS
CFD Computational Fluid Dynamics

CFK Fiber-Reinforced Plastic Material
CGR Constant Gear Ratio
CPU Central Processor Unit
CR Chloroprene Rubber

CS Circular-Spline

CR-EPS

CSM Chlorosulphonated-Polyethylene-Rubber

Rack Concentric EPS

CV Concept Verification
DBC Direkt Bonded Copper

DBV Pressure Limitation Valve

DC Direct Current
DCM Direct Current Motor

DMS Strain gauge
DP-EPS Dual Pinion EPS
DV Design Verification

EC Electronically Commutated Motor ECE Economic Commission for Europe

ECU Electronic Control Unit

EHPS Electro Hydraulic Power Steering EMC Electro Magnetic Compatibility

EPS Electric Power Steering EPS apa EPS with Paraxial Drive

EPSc Column EPS EPSdp Dual Pinion EPS EPSp Pinion EPS

EPSrc Rack Concentric EPS ESD Electrostatic Discharge

ESP Elektronisches Stability Program ESV Experimental-Safety-Vehicle

EU European Union EV Electric Vehicle

EVLS Elektric adjustable steering column

EWG European Economic Community (Europäische

Wirtschaftsgemeinschaft)

FA Front Axle

FAD Front Axle Damper FB Flex-Bearing FCV Fuel Cell Vehicle

FEA/FEM Finite-Element-Analysis/Method FMVSS Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard

FS Flex-Spline

FS (FDR) Vehicle Stability (Vehicle Dynamics Control)

FS (VS) Vehicle Stability (Feedforward)

GAAI German Association of the Automotive Industry

GFK Glass fiber reinforced plastic

GIS German Institute for Standardization

GND Ground HA Rear Axle

HAD Rear Axle Damper HEV Hybrid Electric Vehicle

HICAS High Capacity Actively Controlled Suspension HNBR Hydrierter Acrylnitrilbutadien-Kautschuk

HPS Hydraulic Power Steering IAS Integral Aktiv Steering

IC Electrical Circuit

IEC International Electrotechnical Commission

IGBT Insulated-Gate Bipolar Transistor

IMS Insulated Metal Substrate

ISO International Standards Organization

KGT Recirculating ball
KTL Cathodic dip painting
LCV Light Commercial Vehicle

LDM Free steering torque

LDS Steering nibble (steering torsional vibrations)

LDW Lane Departure Prevention LED Light Emitting Diode

LIN Local Interconnected Network

LKS Lane Keeping Support
MAC Manual Adjustable column
MFS Magnetic Field Sensor
MFS Multi-Function Switch

ML Engine Mount

MOST Media Oriented Systems Transport

MPA Motor-Pump-Unit
MR Magnetoresistiv
MS Manual Steering

NBR Nitrile Butadiene Rubber NEDC New European Driving Cycle

Nfz CV Commercial Vehicle

NHTSA National Highway Safety Traffic Administration

NVH Noise Vibration Harshness

OA-EPS Offset Axis-EPS

OEM Original Equipment Manufacturer

OOP Out Of Position

OSEK/VDX Offene Systeme und deren Schnittstellen für die Elektronik

in Kraftfahrzeugen/Vehicle Distributed eXecutive

PA Polyamide PC Passenger Car

PCB Printed Circuit Board
PDC Park Distance Control
PEEK Polyetherketone

P-EPS Pinion EPS
P-EPS Paraxial EPS

PMSM Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor

POM Polyoxymethylene ppm parts per million PTFE Polytetrafluoroethylene

PUR Polyurethane PV Product Validation PVD Physical Vapour Deposition
PWM Pulse Width Modulation
QM Quality Management
RAM Random Access Memory
ROM Read Only Memory
ROW Rest of the World

RTLG Road Traffic Licensing regulations

SA Steering Arm

SAE Society of Automotive Engineers

SAW Surface Acoustic Wave SCU Steering Control Unit

SH Sensor Host

SIL Safety Integrity Level
SISO Single Input Single Output
SMD Surface Mounted Device
SR Switched Reluctance
SUV Sport Utility Vehicle
TCR Turning Circle Reduction
TFC Thick Film Copper

THC Through Hole Component

UV Ultra Violette

VCC Common-Collector Voltage

VGR, VGS Variable Gear Ratio WG Wave Generator

ZFLS ZF Lenksysteme GmbH (now Robert Bosch Automotive

Steering GmbH)

Formula Index

α Tire side slip angle (rad)

α Working angle of joint steering countershaft (rad)

β Slip angle (rad)

β Angle between joint planes (rad)

 $\begin{array}{lll} \beta \ T/\beta \ U & Transmission \ angle \\ \beta \ x & Separation \ ratio \\ \beta \ z & Helix \ angle \ (rad) \\ \gamma & Shearing \ angle \ (rad) \end{array}$

 $\begin{array}{lll} \gamma & & \text{Offset angle steering countershaft (rad)} \\ \gamma & & \text{Installation angle bevel axle (rad)} \\ \delta * & & \text{Steering arm rotation angle (rad)} \\ \delta, \delta & & \text{Steering angle, velocity (rad, rad/s)} \end{array}$

δ A Ackermann angle (rad)

 $\begin{array}{lll} \delta \; D & & & \text{Dynamic reference steering angle (rad)} \\ \delta \; G & & \text{Rotation angle of steering arm lever (rad)} \end{array}$

| δh | Rear steering angle (rad) |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| δΗ | Steering wheel angle (rad) |
| δ Η * | Bevel rotation axle (rad) |
| δLS | Steering column angle (rad) |
| δΜ | Superposing angle (rad) |

δ o, max Maximum steering angle of front outer wheel (rad)

δ v Front steering angle (rad)

 $\Delta\delta$ Required difference steering angle (rad)

 $\Delta\delta$ A Track difference angle, difference steering angle according

to Ackermann (rad)

 $\Delta\delta$ F Difference steering angle (rad) $\Delta\delta$ H Steering wheel angle (rad)

 $\Delta\delta$ H,e Steering system compliance at steering wheel (rad)

 $\begin{array}{lll} \Delta\delta \ H, Re & Steering \ wheel \ rest \ angle \ (rad) \\ \epsilon & Wheel \ camber \ angle \ (rad) \\ \epsilon \ V, \phi, F & Roll \ induced \ steering \ factor \ (rad) \\ \epsilon \ \alpha & Gearing \ transverse \ contact \ ratio \end{array}$

 $\epsilon \beta$ Gearing overlap ratio $\epsilon \gamma$ Gearing overlap

 $\Delta \varepsilon V, \phi, F$ Camber part due to rolling (rad)

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \zeta & & \text{Attenuation ratio} \\ \eta & & \text{Efficiency} \\ \eta & & \text{Frequency rate} \\ k & & \text{Is Curvature (1/m)} \end{array}$

λ Direction of steering arm (rad)

ρ Path curve radius (m)

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \sigma & & Spread \ (rad) \\ \tau & & Castor \ angle \ (rad) \\ \phi & & Rotation \ angle \ (rad) \\ \chi & & Roll \ angle \ (1/m) \end{array}$

ψ, ψ Yaw angle, yaw angle velocity (rad), (rad/s)

 ω Angle velocity (rad/s) ω E Cutt-off frequency (rad/s)

ω n Steering system natural frequency (1/s)

Symbol Description

a Air
dyn Dynamic
o (curve) Outside
i (curve) Inside
F Front
R Rear

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