

# ACOCAR active suspension systems

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# Agenda

6<sup>th</sup> Int conference Advanced suspension systems 2014 Wiesbaden

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- New hydraulic layout
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### **ONE BOLD VISION** ONE EXTRAORDINARY FUTURE

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### Tenneco Global





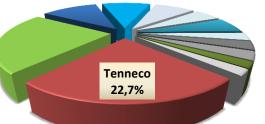
- 89 manufacturing facilities
- 14 engineering & technical centers
- 2012 Revenue \$ 7.4 billion
  - Global Market Leader

- Clean Air 67% Ride Performance 33%
- C Headquarters
- Clean Air Manufacturing
- Ride Performance Manufacturing
- Clean Air Engineering
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### Tenneco Europe

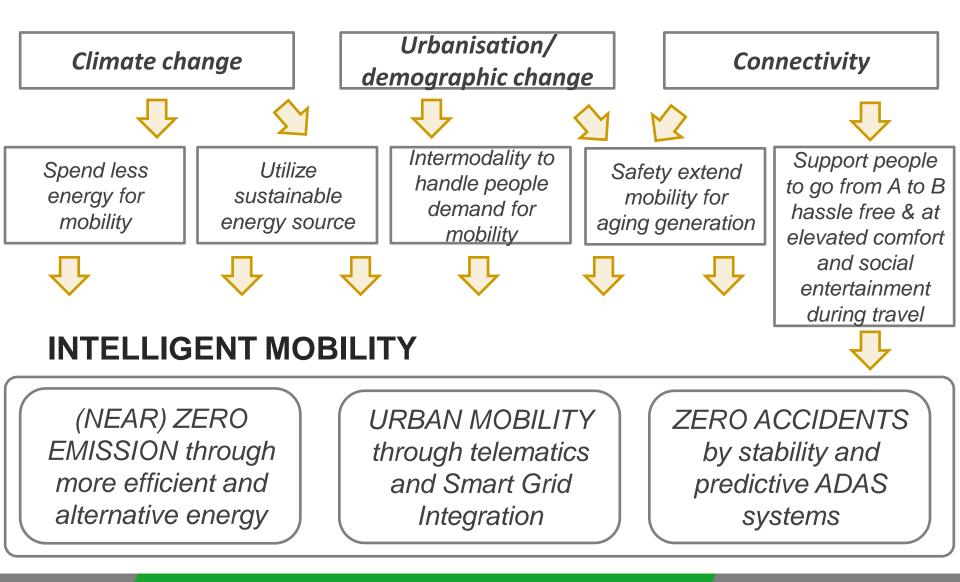


RP Light Vehicles Market Share 2012



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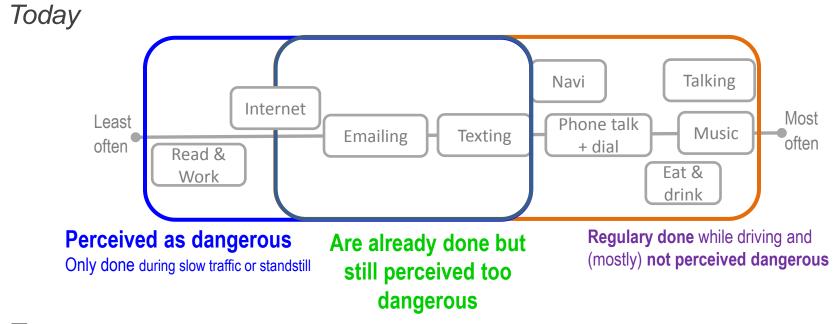




# Towards automated driving



In a world where everything is possible, time becomes the bottleneck. Time spending will be optimized, even while driving!



*Tomorrow*:

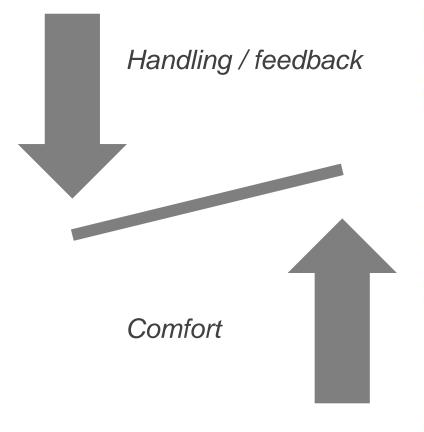
Automated driving (mid to long term)

- $\rightarrow$  system takes over in case of delegation by the driver
- $\rightarrow$  relieving the driver for enjoyment increase

# Towards automated driving



Our expectations of the desired information feedback is depending of time and conditions such as road surface, weather and situation and can be reverted at any time!



#### Broken (vehicle speed 40 Km/h)



Broken Concrete (vehicle speed 50 Km/h)



Broken Lane (vehicle speed 40 Km/h)



Cobblestone Road (vehicle speed 30 Km/h)



Concrete Road (vehicle speed 96 Km/h)







#### Country Lane (vehicle speed 40 Km/h)





Motorway Road (vehicle speed 110 Km/h)





Noise Road (vehicle speed 80 Km/h)





Cobblestone City Road (vehicle speed 40 Km/h)



Tarmac Road (vehicle speed 96 Km/h)





# **Tenneco Ride Performance Products**

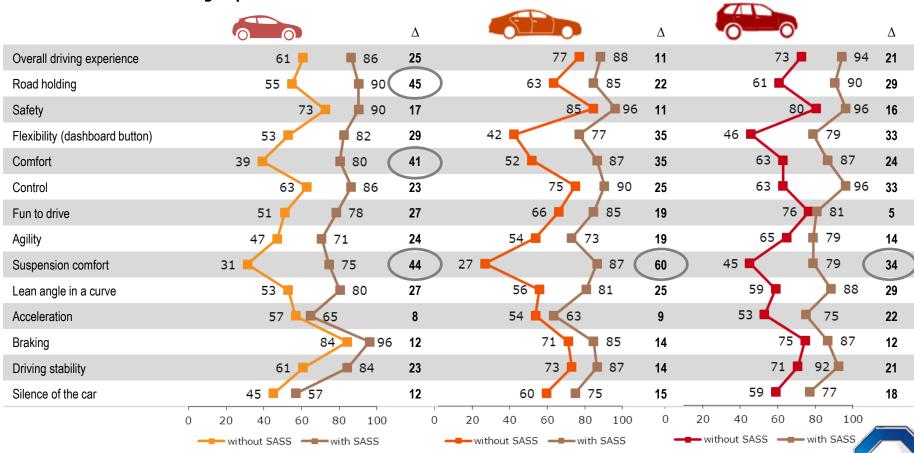




# Consumer test - Driving experience



The detailed evaluation shows a better felt performance over all criteria of driving experience for the vehicle with CVSA but especially for suspension comfort over all three segments.



**Overall evaluation of driving experience** 

DT8: How do you describe the overall driving experience according to the following criteria? Base: n=51 (CC), n=52 (UMC), n=52 (SUV); Top2 ('excellent, very good") answers in %

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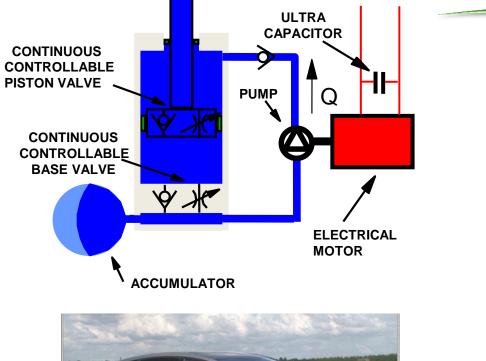


Fully active suspension

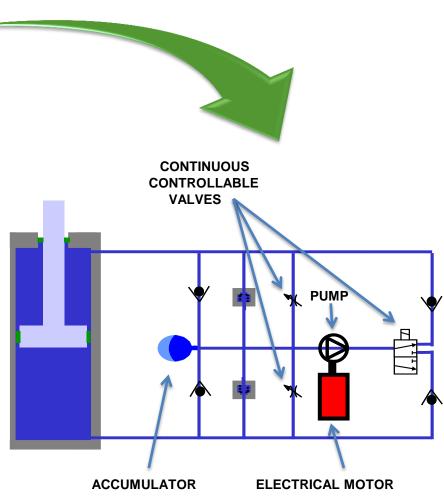




#### Next generation ACOCAR

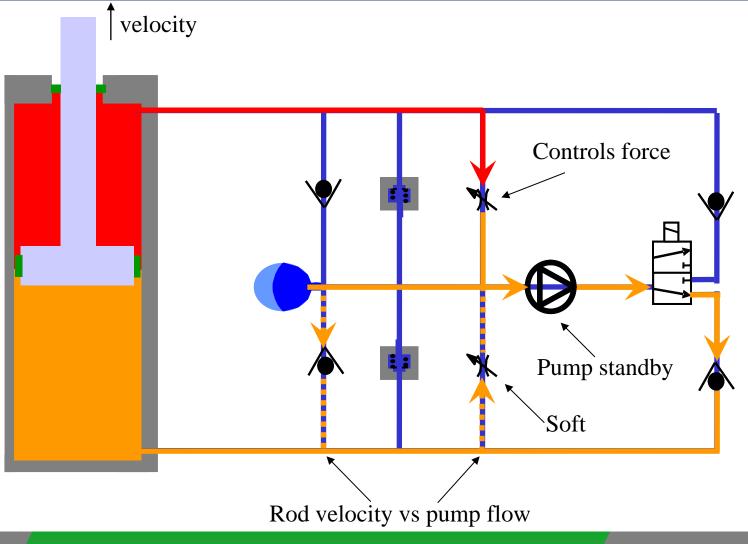






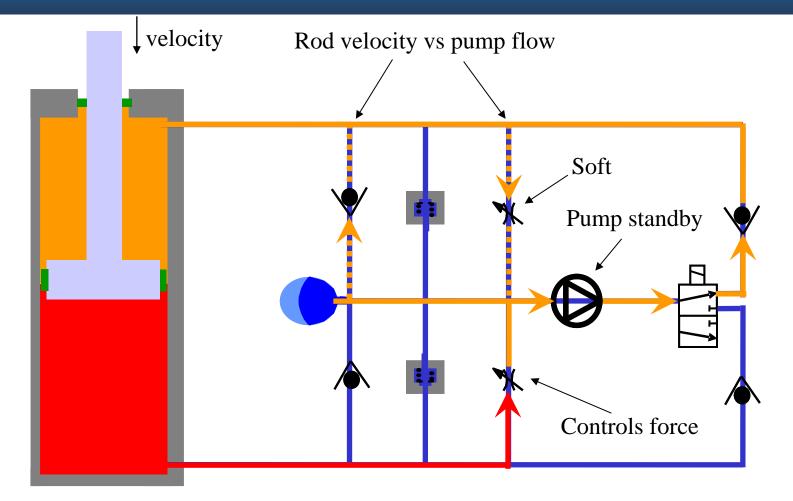


Working principle: Passive rebound



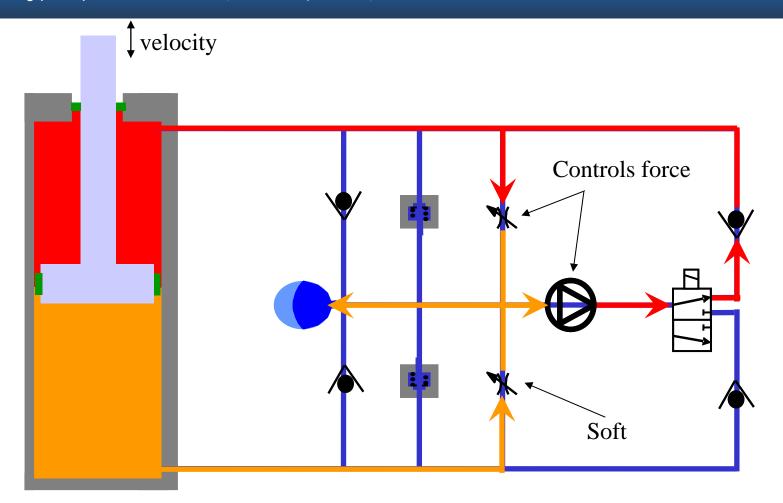


Working principle Passive compression



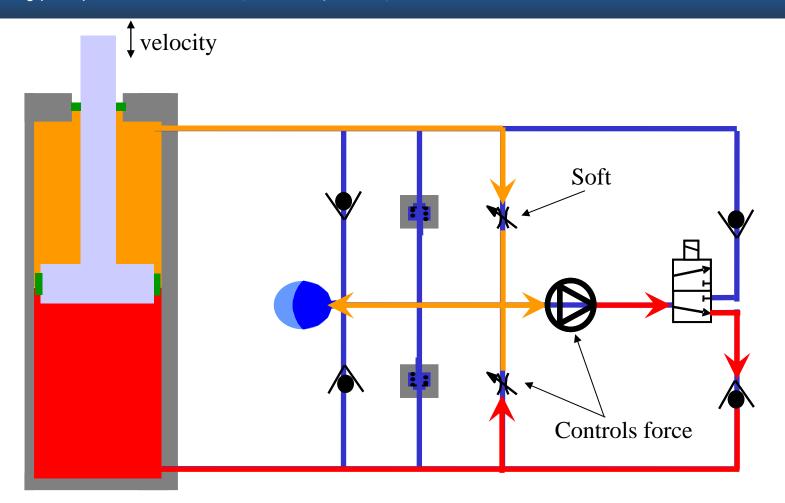


### Working principle Inward force (active & passive)



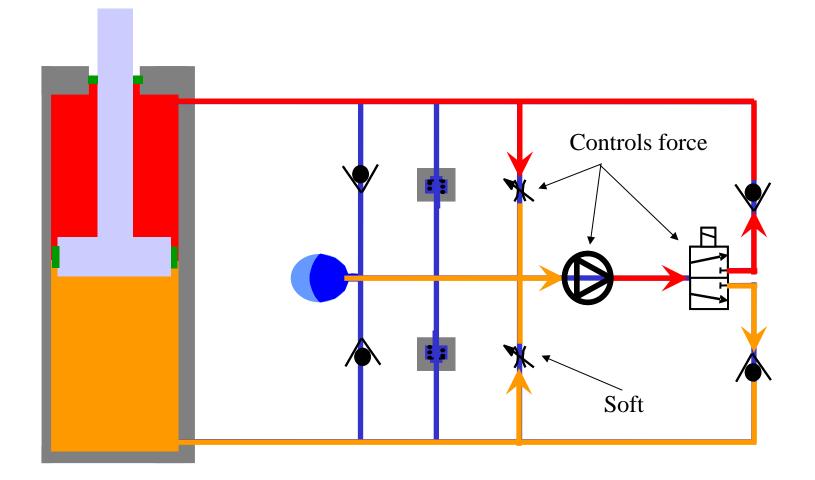


### Working principle Outward force (active & passive)





Working principle Low forces (active & passive)

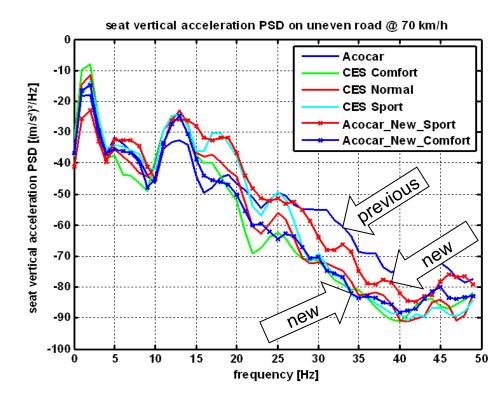




Achievements to date

### Improvements:

- Increased static forces
  - Optimized hydraulic layout
- Even lower power consumption
  - More efficient use of hydraulic power
  - Low power standby mode with fast response time
- Significant improvements in ride performance
  - New clean sheet controller developed



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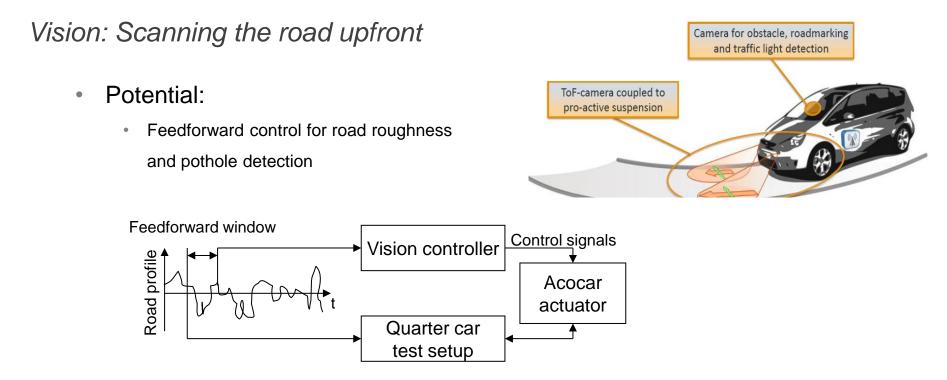
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Road surface scanning



- Status:
  - Completed control strategy
  - Ongoing Quarter car & four poster tests with prototype sensor

# Conclusion



- Increased functionality
  - Balancing feedback versus comfort
- Predictive controllers
  - Using preemptive systems
  - Enhanced comfort
- Future opportunities
  - Integration with ADAS systems

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