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16. Abstract

An NCAP Dynamic Rollover Maneuver (Fishhook) Test was conducted on a 2020 Cadillac XT6 at Dynamic Research, Inc. on December 6, 2019. The vehicle did not experience two-wheel lift. The vehicle's steering angle at 0.3 g lateral acceleration at 50 mph was 28.8 degrees.

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INTRODUCTION

Beginning with the 2006 fiscal year, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has engaged Dynamic Research, Inc. (DRI) of Torrance, CA to conduct dynamic rollover testing and gather data from that testing as part of NHTSA's New Car Assessment Program (NCAP).

The purpose of the testing reported herein was to determine if a typical 2020 Cadillac XT6 would experience tip-up, defined as simultaneous two-wheel lift of two inches or more at an entry speed of 50 mph or less in the Fishhook Procedure developed by NHTSA. This procedure may be found at www.regulations.gov, docket item NHTSA-2006-26555-0136.

The testing reported herein was accomplished under contract DTNH22-14-D-00332. The task order is entitled, "NCAP Dynamic Rollover Testing."

Section II

VEHICLE PREPARATION

A. Test Vehicle

The test vehicle was new or in as-new condition, meaning the vehicle had been driven no more than 500 miles prior to the start of dynamic rollover testing. It was acquired through a commercial rental/leasing company. Details of the test vehicle are given in Table 1.

B. Tires

All tires used were new, and of the same make, model, size, and DOT specification of those installed on the vehicle when purchased new. Tire inflation pressures were in accordance with the recommendations indicated on each vehicle's identification placard. To further reduce the possibility of tire debeading, the tires were mounted to the rims without the use of tire mounting lubricant. Tire specifications are listed in Table 2.

C. Vehicle Loading

The multi-passenger load, described in the Fishhook Procedure, was used for all tests. The load and positioning of the load in the vehicle are listed in Table 3.

In addition to water dummies, the loading included instrumentation, a steering machine, and outriggers. Test vehicle bumper assemblies were removed for outrigger installation. The reduction in vehicle weight due to the removal of the bumpers was offset by the additional weight of the outriggers and their mounting system. The outrigger system typically outweighs the bumper assemblies.

Table 1. Test Vehicle Data

General Data					
Model year, make, model	2020 Cadillac XT6				
VIN	1GYKPERS1LZ11xxxx				
Vehicle type/Body style	MPV/SUV				
Number of doors	4				
Trim level	PREMIUM LUXURY FWD				
Seating positions	Front:	2nd row	3rd row	4th row	5th row
	2	3	2	0	0
Electronic stability control	Yes				
4-Wheel ABS (Yes/No)	Yes				
Power steering (Yes/No)	Yes				
Major optional equipment	Platinum Package, Enhanced Visibility and Technology Pkg, Driver Assist Package, Cadillac User Experience, With Embedded Navigation, W/Bose Performance Series 14 Speaker, Premium Headlamp System W/Illuminated Door Handles, Comfort and Air Quality Pkg, All-Weather Floor Liner, Security Cargo Shade.				
Odometer at start of testing	37 miles				
Drivetrain					
Engine cylinder arrangement	V-6				
Engine displacement	3.6 L				
Transmission type	Automatic				
Drive arrangement	2WD (FWD)				
Chassis					
Track width	F: 65.5 in (1663.7 mm), R: 66 in (1676.4 mm)				
Wheelbase	113 in (2870.2 mm)				
Curb weight	4481 lb (2032.5 kg)				

Certification Data from Vehicle's Label	
Vehicle manufactured by	GENERAL MOTORS LLC
Date of manufacture	08/19
GVWR	6001 lb (2722 kg)
GAWR Front	2976 lb (1350 kg)
GAWR Rear	3406 lb (1545 kg)

Table 2. Tire Information

Tire Manufacturer	Michelin
Tire Model	Premier LTX (Michelin Total Performance)
Tire Size	Front: 235/55R20 Rear: 235/55R20
Load rating	Front:102 Rear:102
Speed rating	Front: H Rear: H
Treadwear grade	Front: 620 Rear: 620
Traction grade	Front: A Rear:A
Temperature grade	Front: A Rear: A
Location of “Recommended Tire Pressure” label	Driver’s door jamb
Recommended cold tire pressure	Front: 36 psi, (250 kPa) Rear: 36 psi, (250 kPa)
First 8 digits of DOT code	Front: B9AJ 00TX Rear: B9AJ 00TX

Table 3. Vehicle Loading

Water dummy and other loading	3 water dummies in second row
Water dummy weight	175 lb (79.4 kg)
Fuel level	Full
Weight as Tested	
Left front	1495 lb (678.1 kg)
Right front	1399 lb (634.6 kg)
Left rear	1315 lb (596.5 kg)
Right rear	1270 lb (576.1 kg)

D. Steering Controller

Precise controlled steering is accomplished using a steering machine designed and constructed by DRI. DRI has used its Automated Vehicle Controller (AVC) steering machine for many vehicle tests including FMVSS 126 tests. It can provide up to 65 ft-lb torque and rates over 1300 deg/sec. The integrated angle encoder has an unlimited range with a resolution of 0.045 degrees and an accuracy of ±0.045 degrees. The steering motor is controlled by a MicroAutoBox II from dSPACE, which also acts as the data acquisition system.

E. Real-Time Controller and Data Acquisition

Data acquisition is achieved using a MicroAutoBox II from dSPACE, which also serves as the real-time system for the steering controller. Data from the Oxford IMU, including Longitudinal, Lateral, and Vertical Acceleration, Roll, Yaw, and Pitch Rate, Forward and Lateral Velocity, Roll and Pitch Angle, are sent over Ethernet to the Micro AutoBox. The Oxford IMUs are calibrated per the manufacturer's recommended schedule (Table 5). The MicroAutoBox II specifications are:

Model: dSPACE Micro-Autobox II 1401/1513
Base Board SN 549068
I/O Board SN 588523

Two video cameras were used to record the Fishhook runs. They were positioned nominally as shown in Figure 1. The recorded videotapes were reviewed after the Fishhook runs to check for any two-wheel lift. If any two-wheel lift was observed, eight infrared distance-measuring sensors for measurement of wheel lift (two sensors at each wheel) were then mounted for use in subsequent confirmation Fishhook tests.

F. Equipment Weight

Table 4 lists the equipment and associated weights outlined in the NHTSA Laboratory Test Procedure for Dynamic Rollover and the equipment at DRI used for this specific test program. The equipment used at DRI for this test program differs slightly from the equipment that was previously used by NHTSA for rollover testing. Because DRI's equipment is lighter than NHTSA's equipment, DRI uses ballast to maintain a consistent weight and weight distribution in the vehicle.

Table 4. Weight of In-Cab Test Equipment

Equipment	Location	Equipment Weight (lb)	
		NHTSA*	DRI
Data Acquisition System	Front passenger seat	58	
Steering Machine	Handwheel	31	31
Steering Machine Electronics Box	Passenger row foot well behind the front passenger seat. If vehicle does not have a rear passenger row foot well, the Electronics Box should be placed in the front passenger seat foot well.	39	
MABX, and laptop	Front passenger seat		21
Motor control and power supply	Front passenger footwell		26
Ballast	Front passenger footwell		50
	Total	**128**	**128**

* Table A.1 from US DOT NHTSA - Laboratory Test Procedure for Dynamic Rollover - The Fishhook Maneuver Test Procedure - New Car Assessment Program (NCAP) - March 2013

G. Sensors

A list of the sensors is given in Table 5.

H. Other Vehicle Preparation

In addition to installation and preparation discussed above, the test vehicle was prepared as follows:

- Front and rear bumpers were removed
- Outrigger mounts were installed in the bumper locations and titanium outriggers were fastened to these mounts
- Airbags were removed or otherwise disabled
- Photographs of the vehicle tested are given in Appendix A.

Table 5. Sensors

Measured Variable	Sensor	Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Specifics	Serial Number	Calibration
Vehicle Tire Pressure	Tire Pressure Gauge	0-100 psi 0-690 kPa	0.01 psi 6.89 kPa	< 1% error between 20 and 100 psi	Omega DPG8001	17042707002	By: DRI Date: 7/3/2019 Due: 7/3/2020
Vehicle Total, Wheel, and Axle Load	Platform Scales (Minter)	1200 lb/platform 5338 N/platform	1 lb 4.4 N	0.5% of applied load	Intercomp SWI	1110M206352	By: DRI Date: 1/3/2019 Due: 1/3/2020
	Platform Scales (Torrance)	1500 lb/platform 6672 N/platform	1 lb 4.4 N	0.5% of applied load	Intercomp SWI	24032361	By: DRI Date: 12/11/2018 Due: 12/11/2019
Handwheel Angle	Steering Angle Encoder (Automated Steering Controller)	±800 deg	0.045 deg	±0.045 deg	DRI Automatic Vehicle Controller using dSPACE Micro-Autobox II	NA	Verified by DRI at installation[1]
Longitudinal, Lateral, and Vertical Acceleration Roll, Yaw, and Pitch Rate, Forward and Lateral Velocity, Roll and Pitch Angle	Multi-Axis Inertial Sensing System	Accels ± 5 g, Angular Rate ±300 deg/s, Angle >45 deg, Velocity >200 km/h	Accels .001 g, Angular Rate 0.01 deg/s, Angle 0.05 deg, Velocity 0.1 km/h	Accels .001g, Angular Rate 0.01 deg/s, Angle 0.05 deg, Velocity 0.1 km/h	Oxford xNav 550	015386	By: Oxford Technical Solutions Date: 8/8/2019 Due: 8/8/2021

[1] . The steering encoder is checked prior to beginning tests to verify that there are no faults. The steering controller is installed in the vehicle and the steering wheel is turned through two complete revolutions while recording data. The data are then reviewed for any dropouts or other nonlinearities that would indicate dust intrusion or faulty sectors.

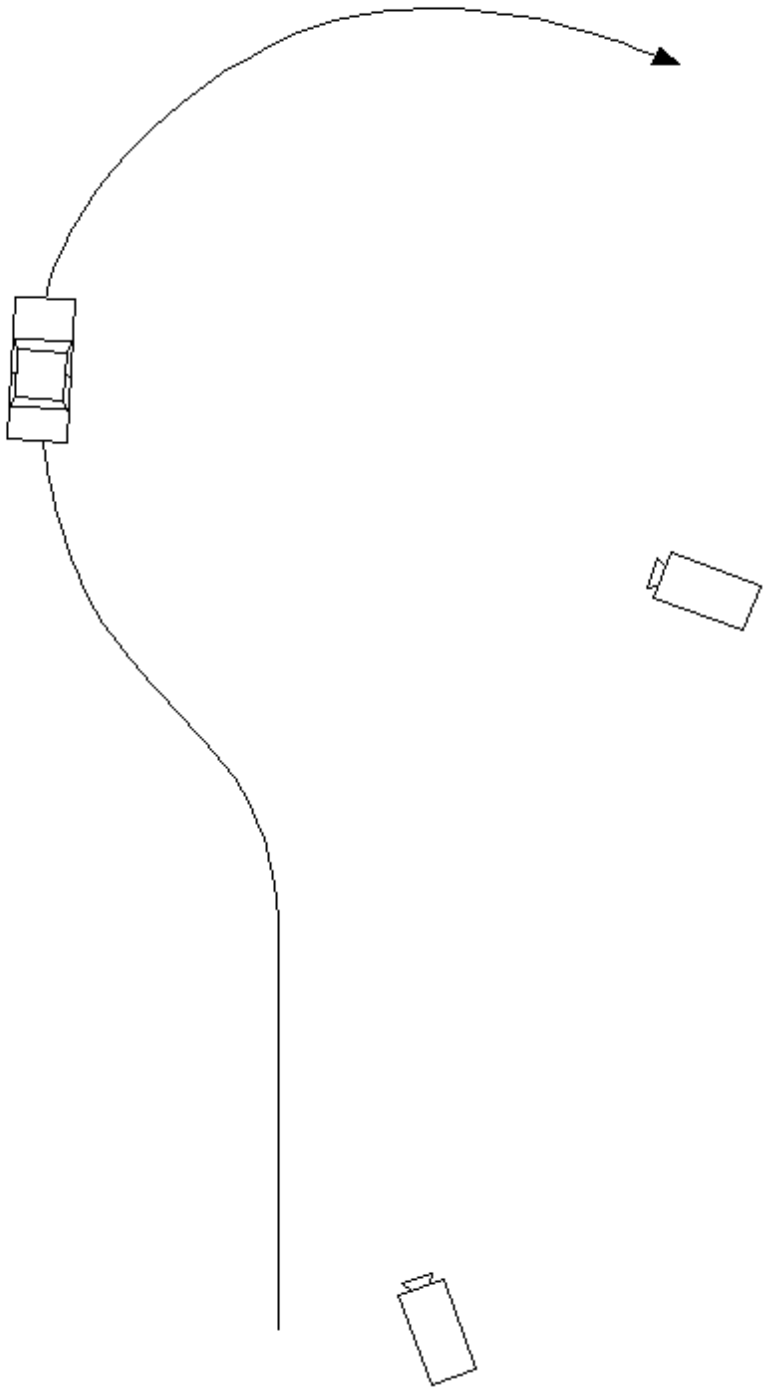

Figure 1. Nominal Position of Video Cameras for Fishhook Tests

Section III

TEST PROCEDURES

This section includes a general overview of the test procedures and details of the particular test.

A. Test Procedure Overview

This test was conducted in accordance with NHTSA's NCAP Rollover Resistance Test Procedure (Fishhook) as described in the Federal Register (68 FR 59250). Detailed descriptions of the test procedure, pass/fail criteria, and data acquisition specifications may be found at docket NHTSA-2001-9663.

There are two major components of the test procedure, the Slowly Increasing Steer (SIS) pre-test and the Fishhook test.

The Slowly Increasing Steer (SIS) maneuver was used to characterize the steady state lateral dynamics of each vehicle, and is based on the "Constant Speed, Variable Steer" test defined in SAE J266. The maneuver is used to determine the handwheel angle that produces a lateral acceleration of 0.3 g at 50 mph. This handwheel angle is then used to determine the magnitude of steering to be used for the NHTSA Fishhook maneuver.

SIS tests were performed at a constant speed of 50 mph. Handwheel angle was input at a rate of 13.5 deg/sec, from 0 to an angle that provided at least 0.55 g. Three tests were conducted in each direction, and the data for the six runs were averaged to obtain the handwheel angle that produced 0.3 g at 50 mph.

The Fishhook test is a programmed steering maneuver that is implemented via the steering controller. The vehicle was initially steered in one direction and then the steering was reversed. The timing, magnitude, and rate of the steering were prescribed by the Fishhook Procedure.

To begin the maneuver, the vehicle was driven in a straight line at a speed slightly greater than the desired entrance speed. The driver then released the throttle. When the vehicle was at the target speed, the steering controller automatically initiated the steering maneuver. Following completion of the steering reversal, the handwheel position was maintained for three seconds and then returned to zero angle in 1 second.

The tests were conducted in both left-right and right-left directions. The "Default" test series used a handwheel angle equal to 6.5 times the handwheel angle that produced 0.3 g at 50 mph in the SIS tests, and initial vehicle speeds beginning at 35 mph and concluding up to 50 mph (if no two-wheel lift occurs). Supplemental tests were also done, as specified in the Fishhook Procedure.

B. Test Conditions

1. TEST SURFACE

The tests were conducted on the Vehicle Dynamics Area at DRI's Minter Field facility, located near Bakersfield, California, on 12/6/2019. The VDA has a smooth, flat (slope less than 0.5% throughout) asphaltic concrete surface. Its dimensions are as shown in Figure 2. It was built in the spring of 2005.

VDA surface friction measurements were accomplished using the DRI Mobile Tire Tester. Three runs were done, one at each of three previously determined locations. Each run provided for a minimum of 3 seconds of tire friction at constant normal load, slip angle, and speed in a free rolling condition. The test was accomplished using an ASTM E1136 tire with an inflation pressure of 35 (±0.5) psi at a test speed of 40 (±0.5) mph. The net slip angle of the test tire for each test run was 7.5 deg. The test tire was no older than 6 months from the date of manufacture. The surface friction measurement results are shown in Table 6.

Table 6. Surface Friction

Date of surface friction measurements	12/6/2019
Average normalized lateral force	0.834

2. FISHHOOK HANDWHEEL ANGLES

The 0.3 g handwheel angle obtained from the SIS tests and the handwheel angles used in the Fishhook tests are shown in Table 7.

Table 7. Handwheel Angles

0.3 g handwheel angle (from SIS tests at 50 mph)	28.8º
5.5 scalar handwheel angle for Fishhook Test	158º
6.5 scalar handwheel angle for Fishhook Test	187º

3. WEATHER CONDITIONS

The weather conditions, recorded at the end of testing, are shown in Table 8.

Table 8. Weather Conditions

Ambient temperature	64.4º F (18º C)
Wind Speed	4.6 mph (1.8 m/s)
Wind Direction	SSW

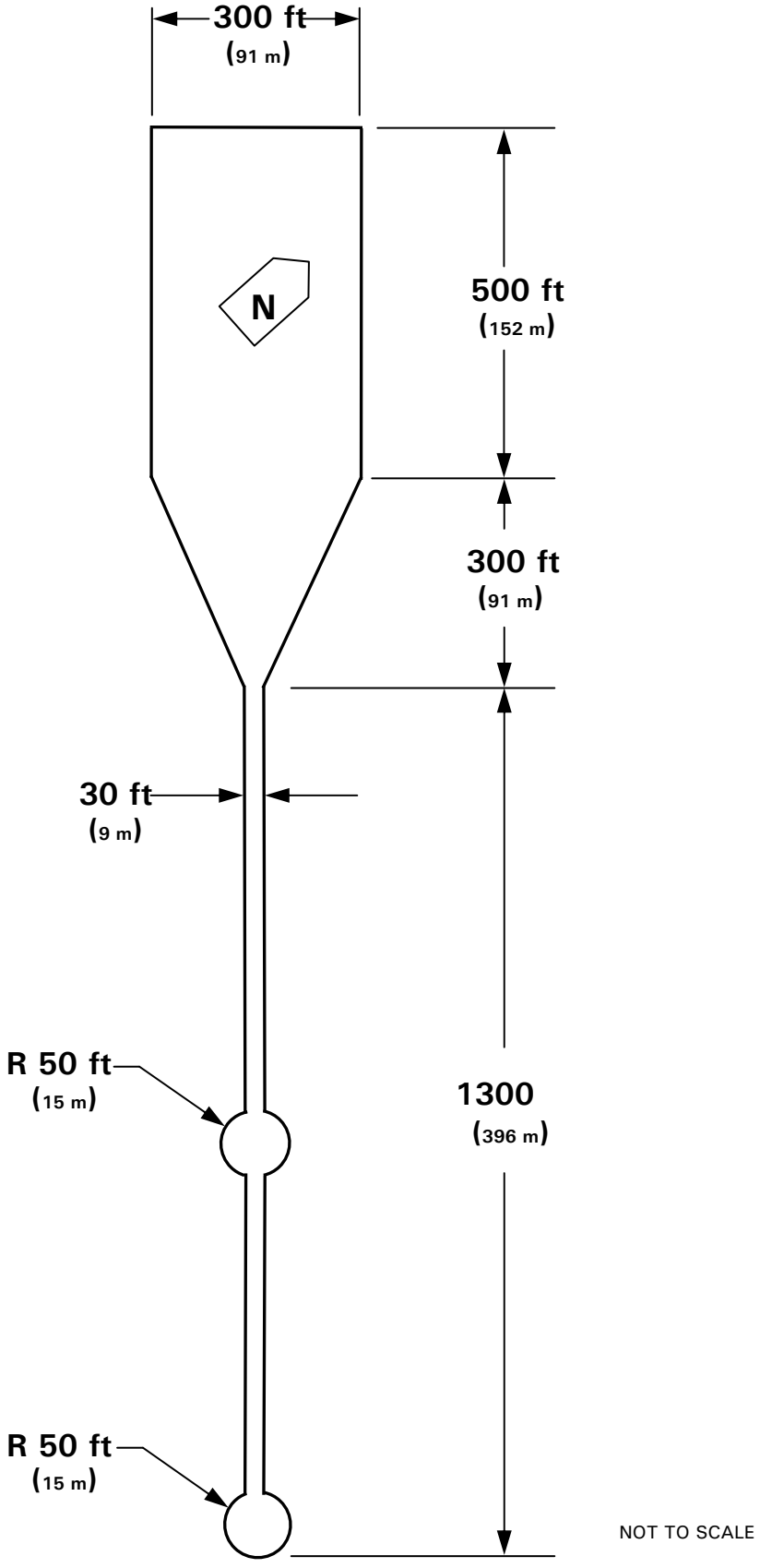

Figure 2. DRI-Minter Vehicle Dynamics Area

Section IV

RESULTS

The test run log is given in Appendix B. The Slowly Increasing Steer Test Worksheet is given in Appendix C. Appendix D contains time history plots for the 50 mph runs and any runs which resulted in two-wheel lift. There was no two-wheel lift at any test condition for the 2020 Cadillac XT6 .

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Photographs

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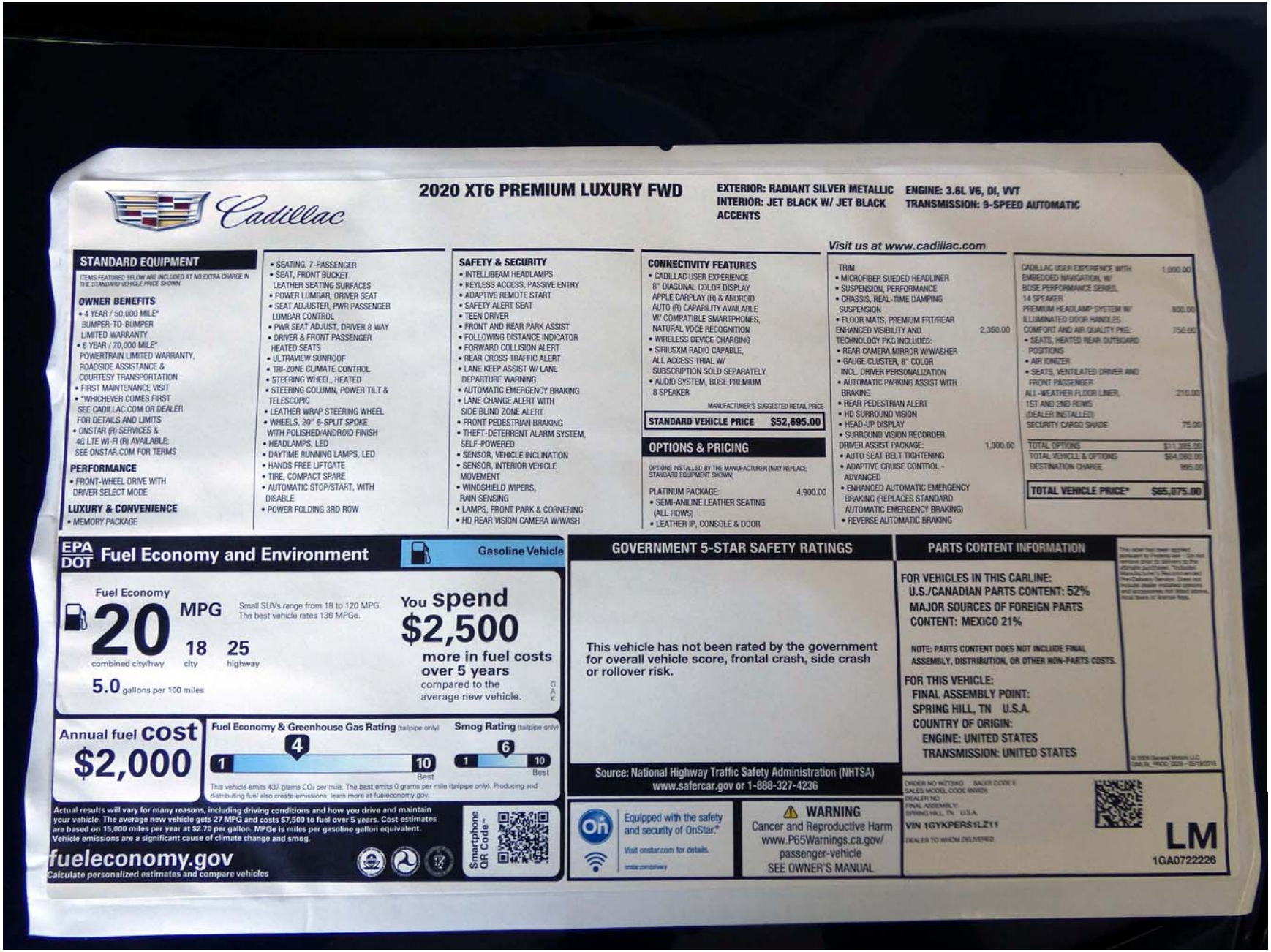

Figure A1. Window Sticker

Figure A2. Front View, Test Vehicle as Delivered

Figure A3. Rear View, Test Vehicle as Delivered

Figure A4. Front View, Test Vehicle in Test Condition

Figure A5. Rear View, Test Vehicle in Test Condition

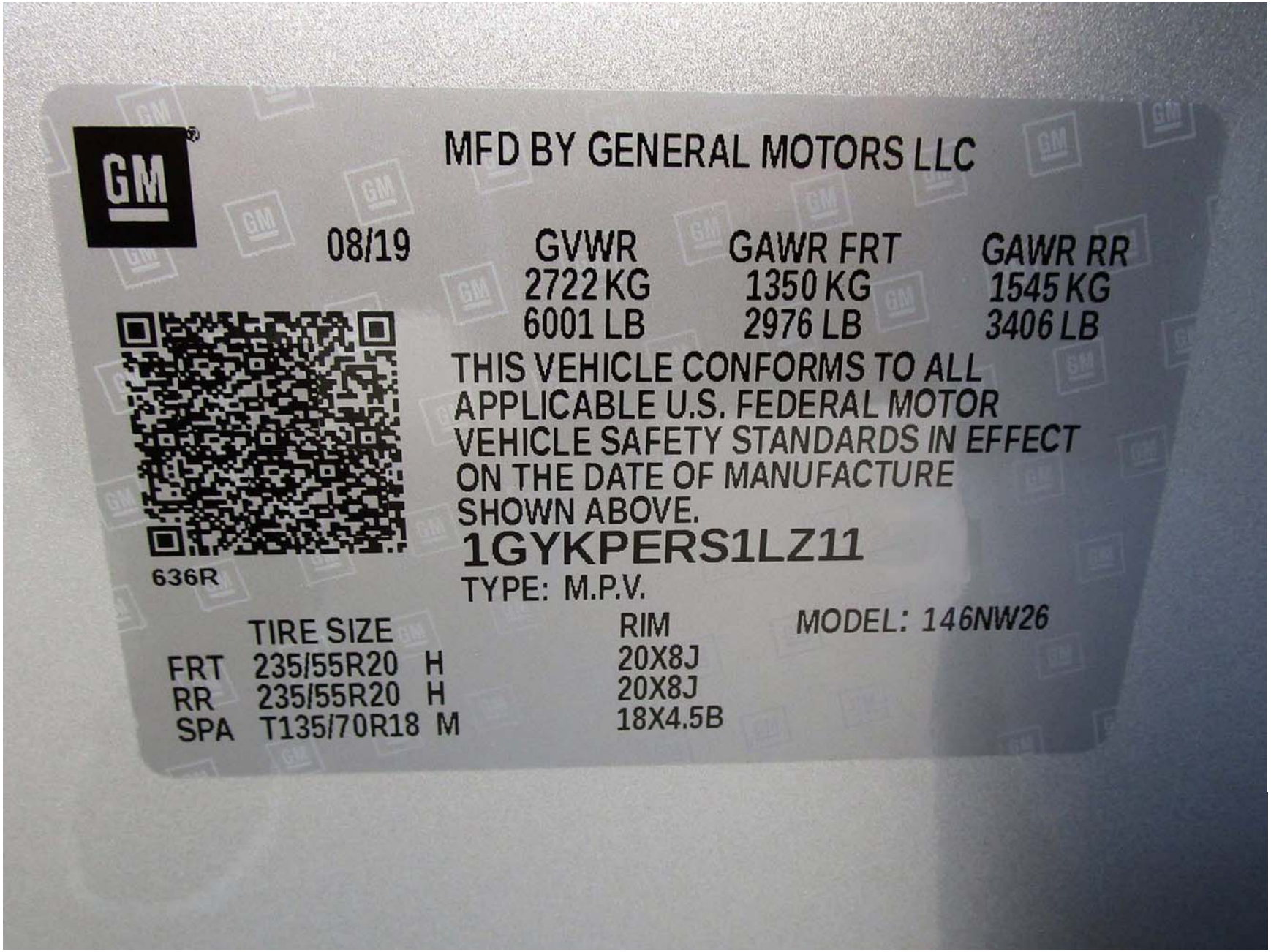

Figure A6. Certification Label

Figure A7. Tire Placard

Figure A8. Instrumentation in Test Vehicle

Figure A9. Steering Controller and Computer

Figure A10. Ballast Condition

APPENDIX B

Test Run Log

Vehicle: **2020 Cadillac XT6** Driver: **Jonathan Robel** Test Date: **12/6/2019**

Vehicle: **2020 Cadillac XT6 2WD (FWD)** Driver: **Jonathan Robel** Test Date: **12/6/2019**

Run Number	Test Type	Speed (mph)	Handwheel Angle (deg)	Dir. of First Steer	2 Wheel Lift	Notes
1	**Tire Warm-Up**	35	60	Right	NA	
2	"	"	70	"	"	
3	"	"	"	"	"	
4	"	"	"	"	"	
5	2x SWA last cycle				"	
6	Static	0	0		NA	
7	Steady State	50	0		"	
8	**Slowly Increasing Steer**	50	50	Left	NA	
9	"	"	"	Left	"	
10	"	"	"	Left	"	
11	"	"	"	Right	"	
12	"	"	"	Right	"	
13	"	"	"	Right	"	
14	**Fishhook 6.5 Scalar**	35	187	Left	No	
15	"	40	"	"	"	
16	"	45	"	"	"	
17	"	47.5	"	"	"	
18	"	50	"	"	"	
19	**Fishhook 5.5 Scalar**	45	158	Left	No	
20	"	47.5	"	"	"	
21	"	50	"	"	"	

Vehicle: **2020 Cadillac XT6 2WD (FWD)** Driver: **Jonathan Robel** Test Date: **12/6/2019**

Run Number	Test Type	Speed (mph)	Handwheel Angle (deg)	Dir. of First Steer	2 Wheel Lift	Notes
22	**Fishhook 6.5 Scalar**	35	187	Right	No	
23	"	40	"	"	"	
24	"	45	"	"	"	
25	"	47.5	"	"	"	
26	"	50	"	"	"	
27	**Fishhook 5.5 Scalar**	45	158	Right	No	
28	"	47.5	"	"	"	
29	"	50	"	"	"	

APPENDIX C

Slowly Increasing Steer Test Worksheet

SIS_out_v2

Run	Dir of Steer	Start Speed (mph)	End Speed (mph)	Speed Red. (%)	Index of ay @ 0.3g	HW Angle (deg) at 0.3g	ay (g) @ 0.3g index	6.5x HW Angle (deg)	Ramp Time (sec) at 6.5x	5.5x HW Angle (deg)	Ramp Time (sec) at 5.5x	R2	Zero Begin Index	Zero End Index
8	L	50.3	0.1	99.7	1231	-28.6	-0.302	-186.0	-0.2583	-157.4	-0.2185	0.9956	600	800
9	L	50.4	0.1	99.9	1230	-28.6	-0.294	-185.7	-0.2579	-157.1	-0.2182	0.995	600	800
10	L	50.1	0.0	99.9	1235	-28.9	-0.290	-187.8	-0.2609	-158.9	-0.2208	0.9818	600	800
11	R	49.9	0.2	99.6	1234	28.9	0.314	187.6	0.2606	158.8	0.2205	0.9929	600	800
12	R	50.2	0.1	99.8	1237	29.1	0.291	189.3	0.2629	160.2	0.2224	0.9960	600	800
13	R	50.2	0.1	99.7	1229	28.5	0.297	185.5	0.2577	157.0	0.2180	0.9969	600	800
					Mean:	28.8	0.298	187	0.26	158	0.22			

Steering Controller Input Values

Scalar 6.5 values:

Initial HW angle:	187	deg
Initial time:	0.26	s
Reversal HW angle:	-187	deg
Reversal time:	0.519	s

Scalar 5.5 values:

Initial HW angle:	158	deg
Initial time:	0.22	s
Reversal HW angle:	-158	deg
Reversal time:	0.439	s

APPENDIX D

Time History Plots

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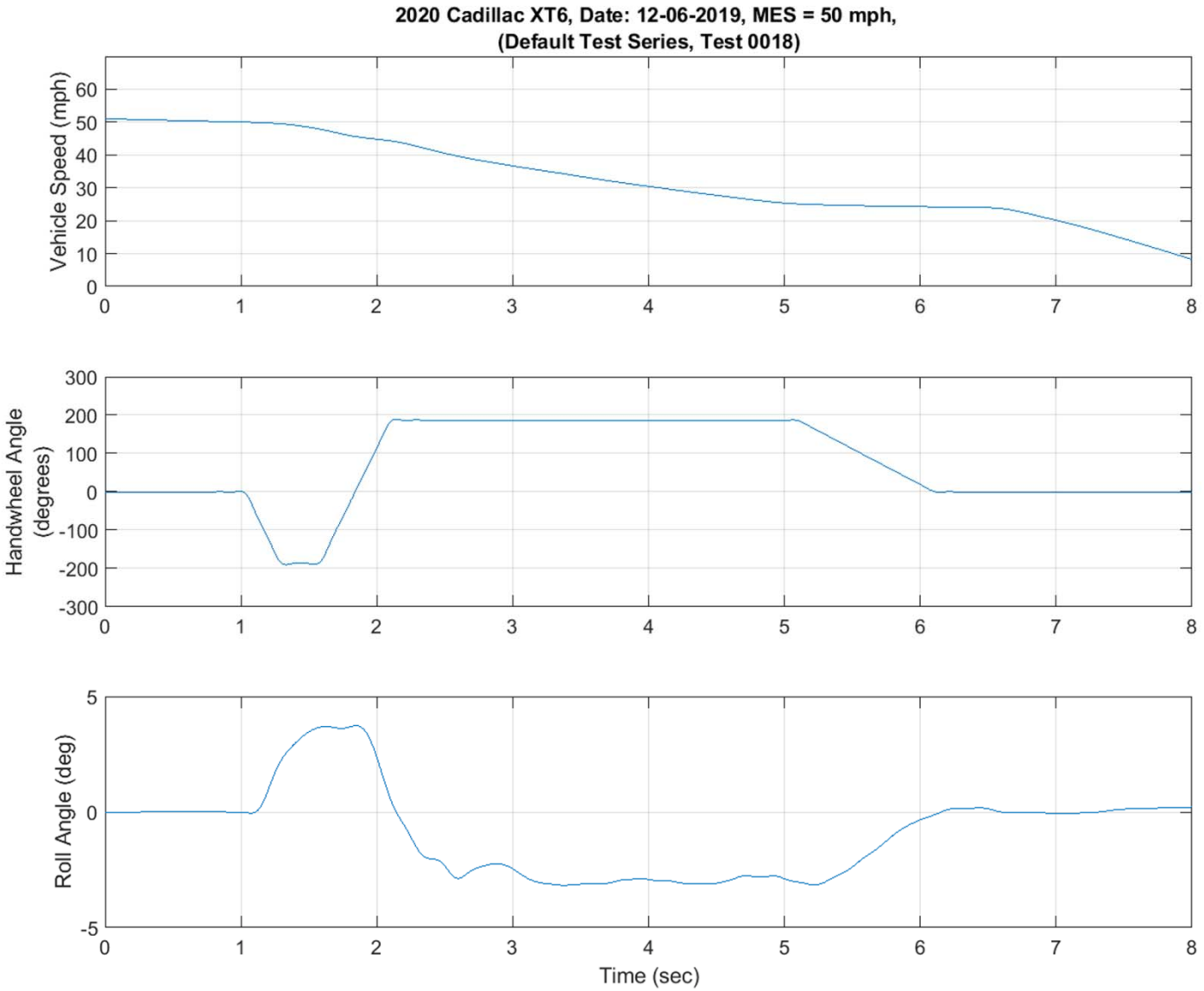


Figure D1. Vehicle Speed, Handwheel Angle, and Roll Angle Time History Plots for Default Test Series, L-R, 50 mph

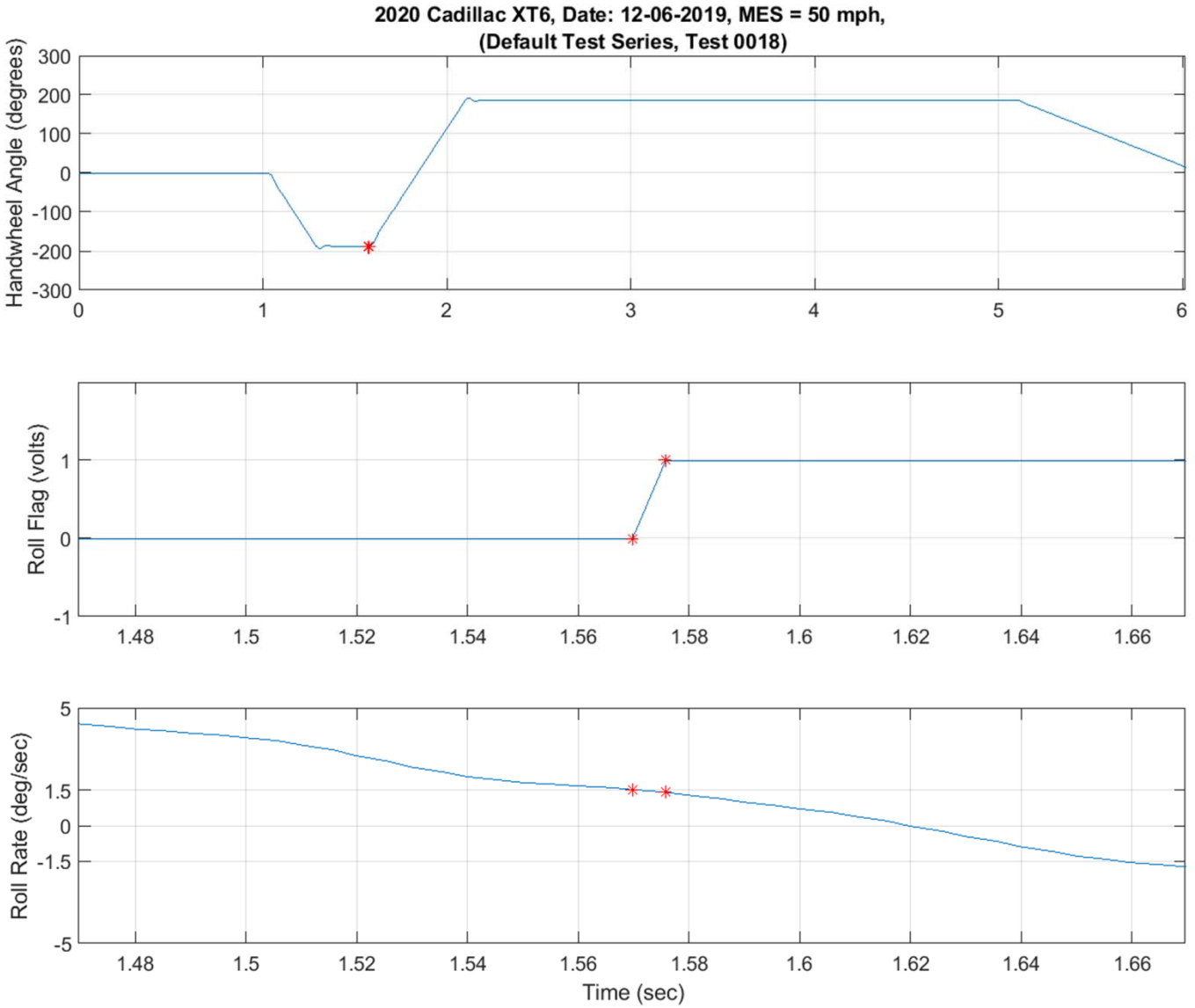


Figure D2. Steering Machine Operation Time History Plots for Default Test Series, L-R, 50 mph

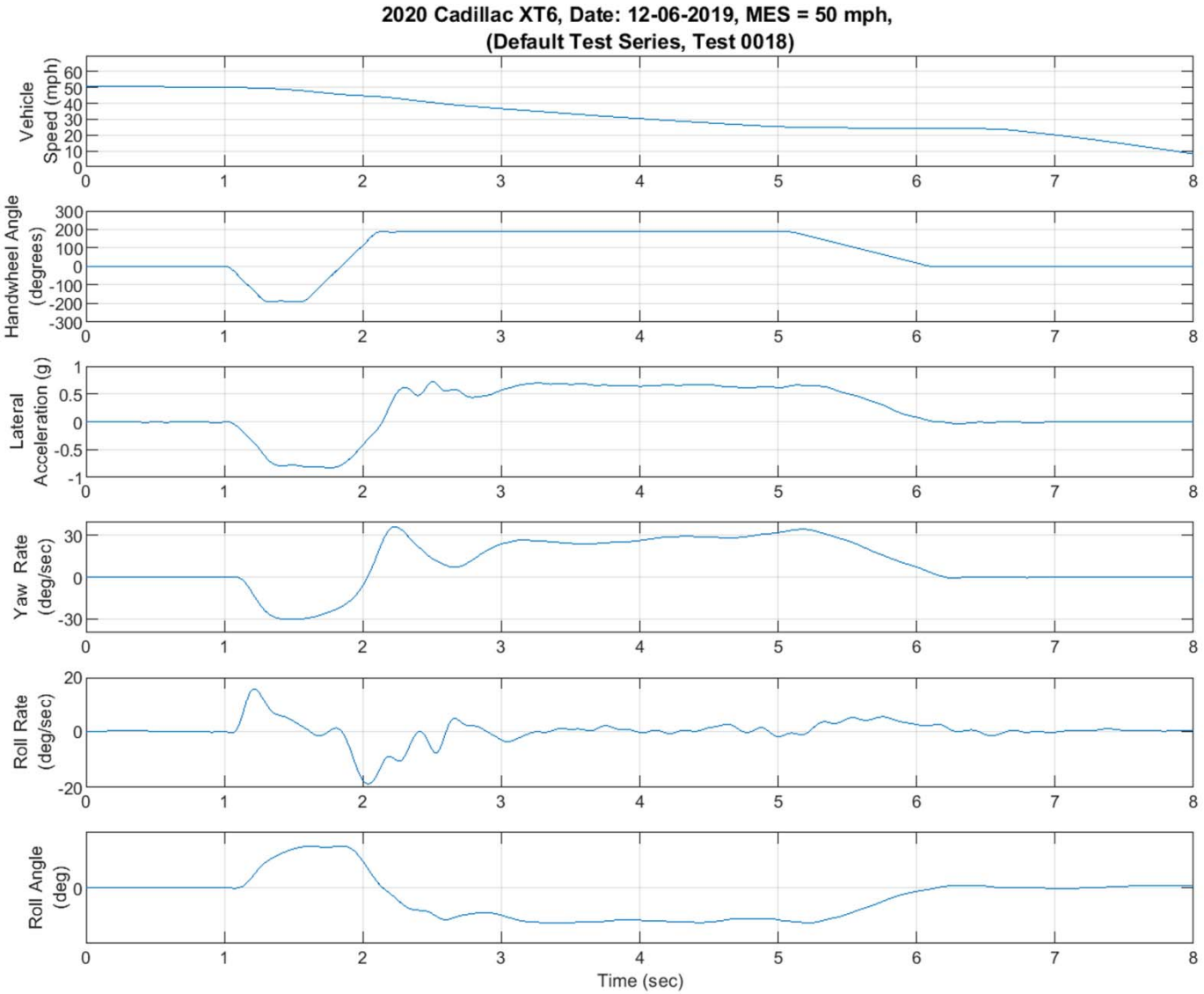
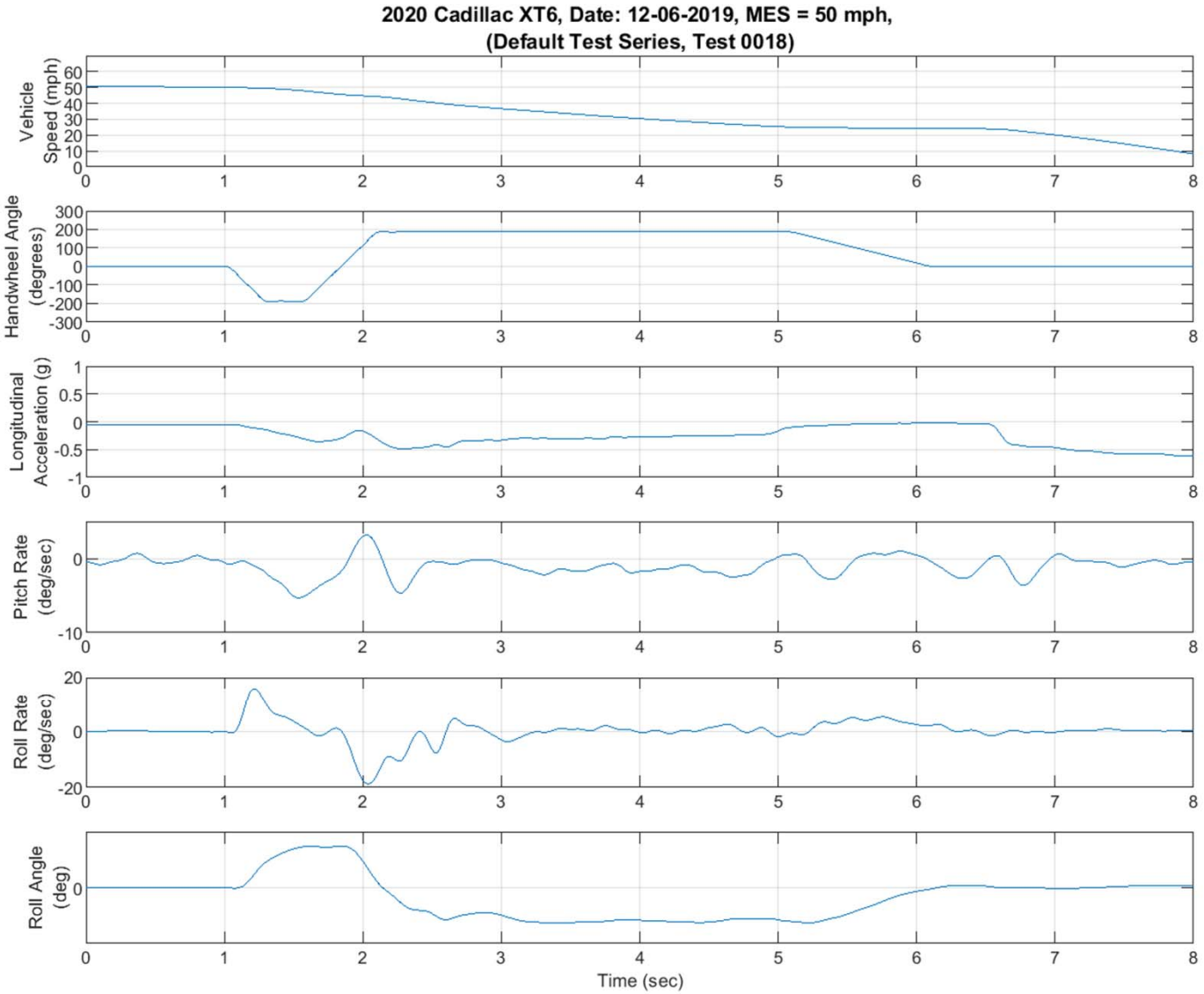


Figure D3. Yaw Rate, Roll Rate, and Lateral Acceleration Time History Plots For Default Test Series, L-R, 50 mph



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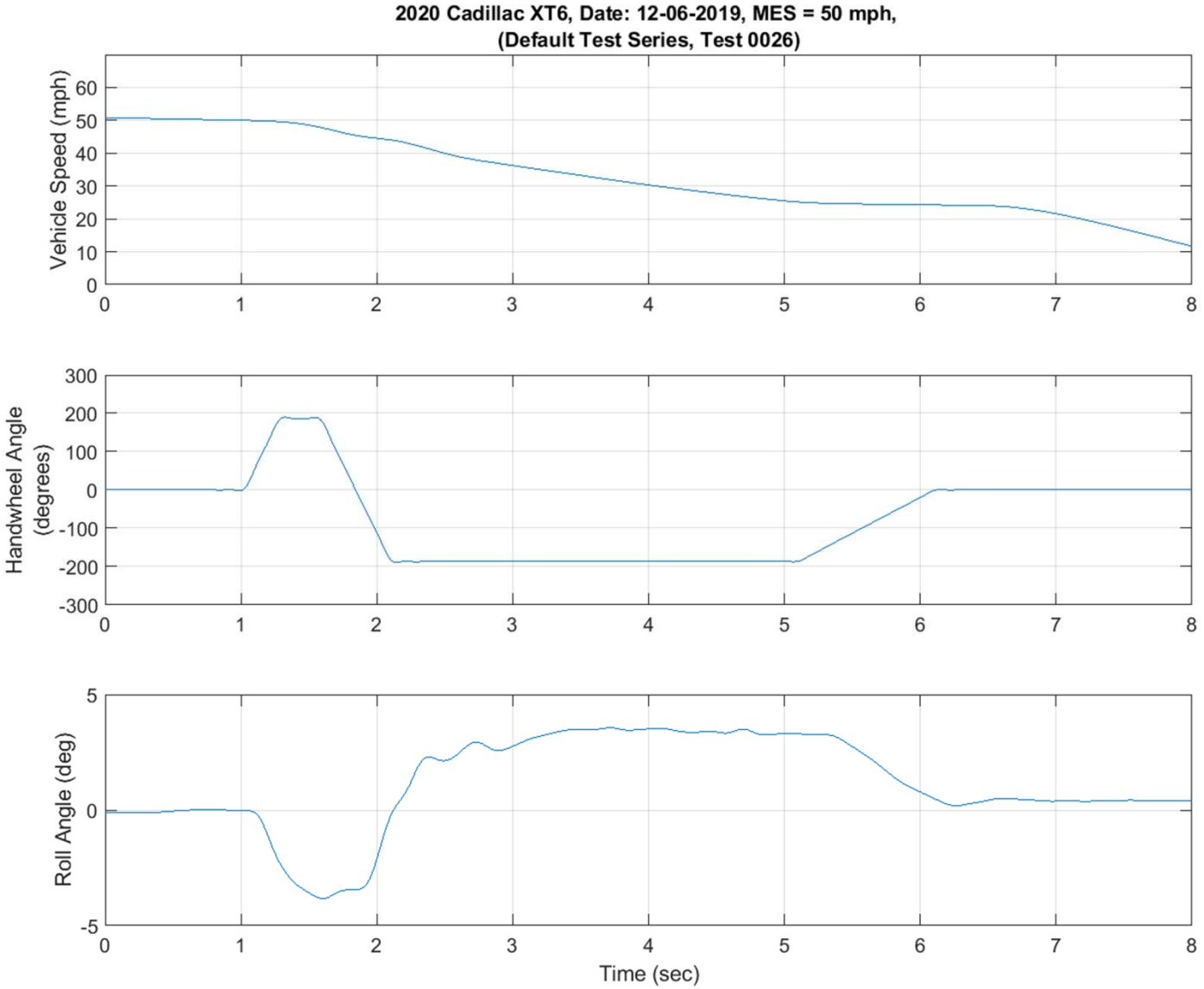

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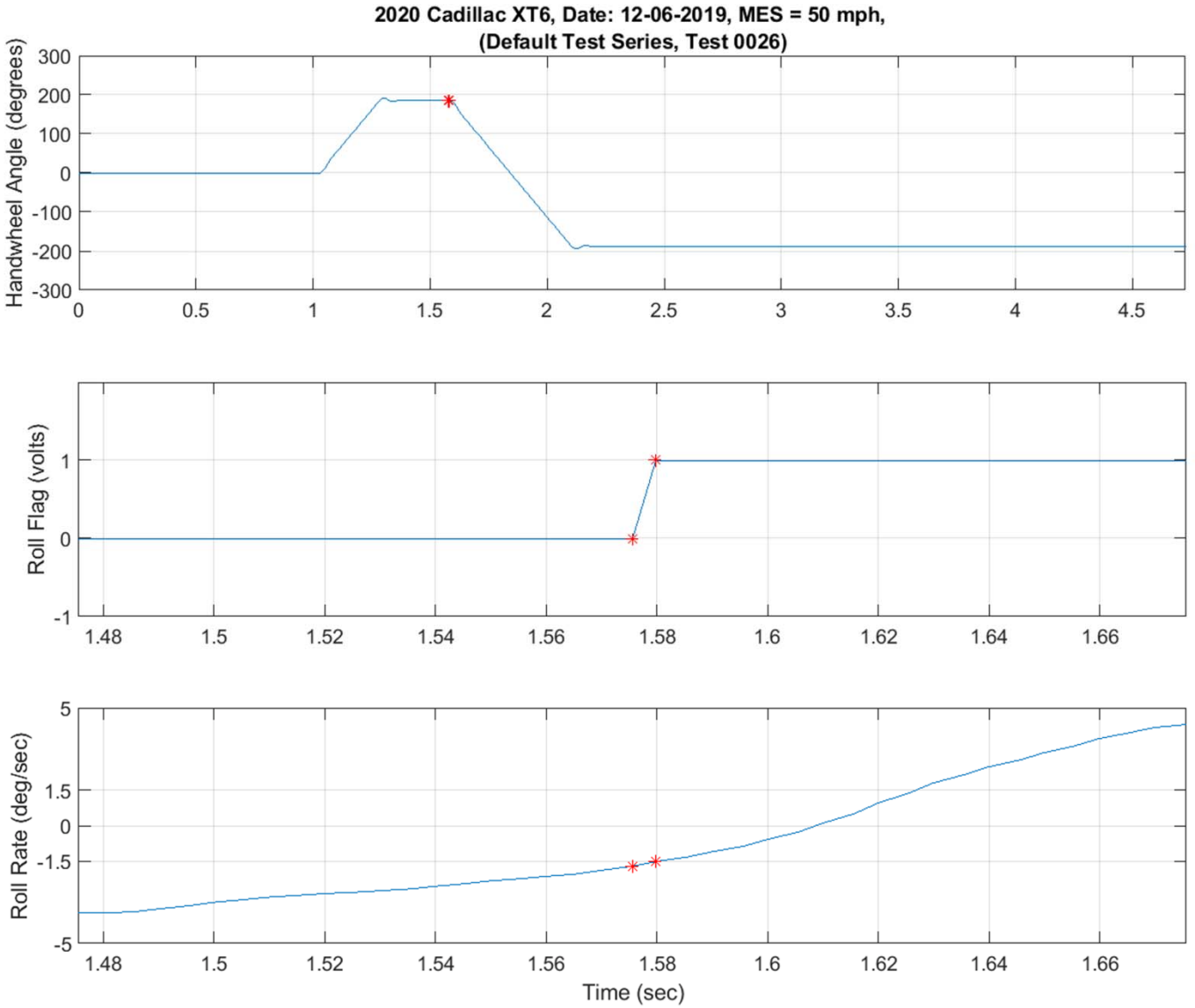

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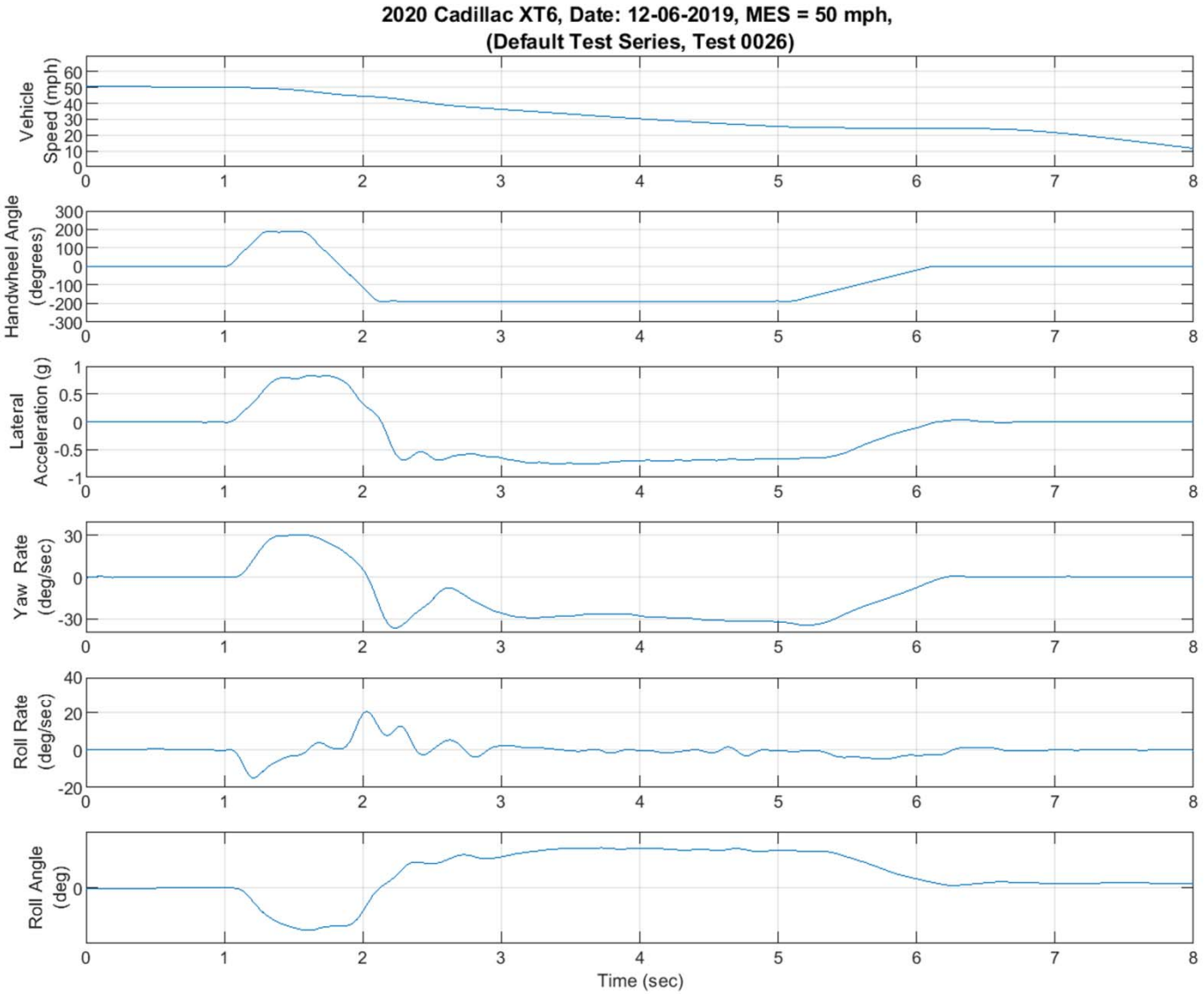

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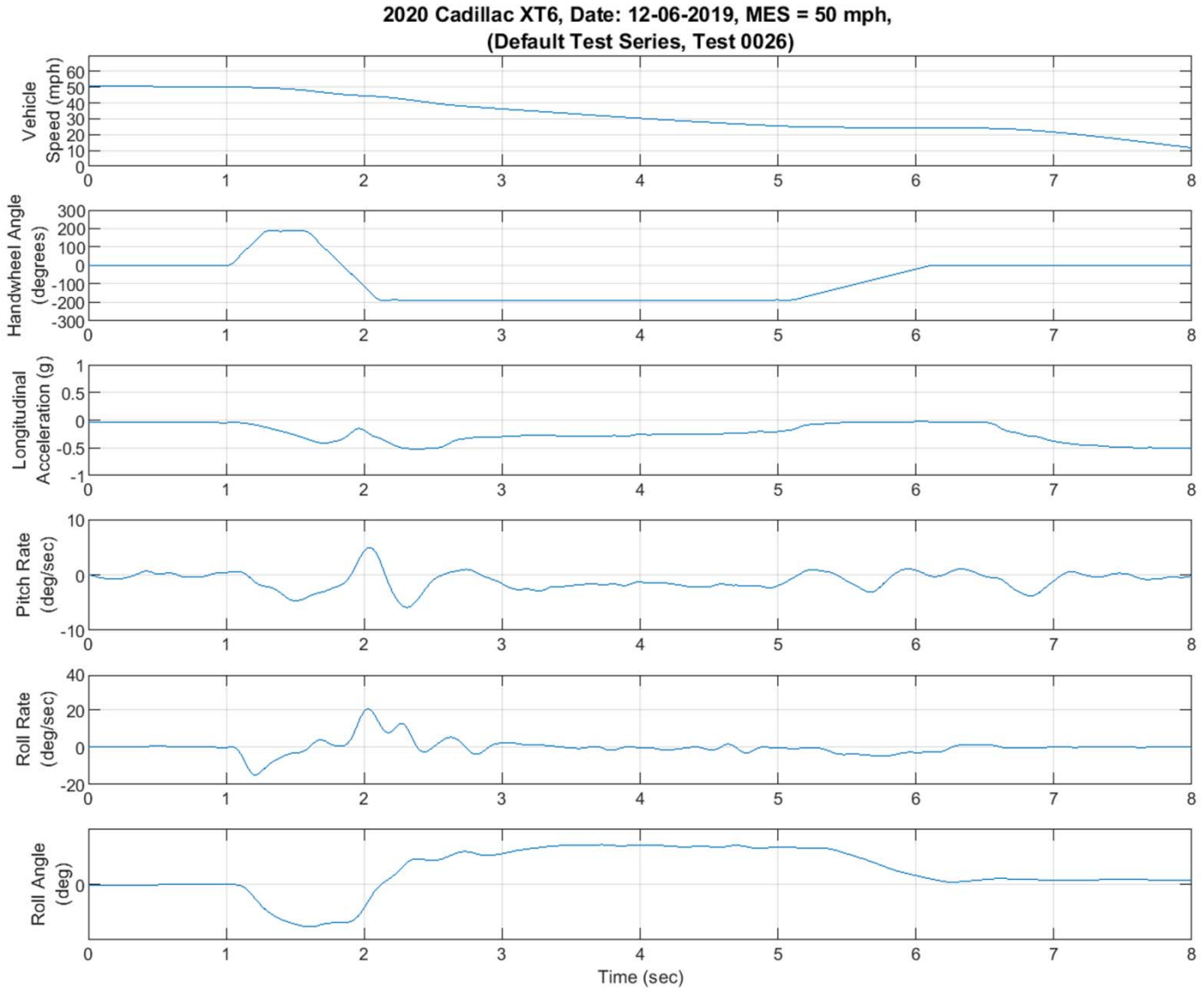

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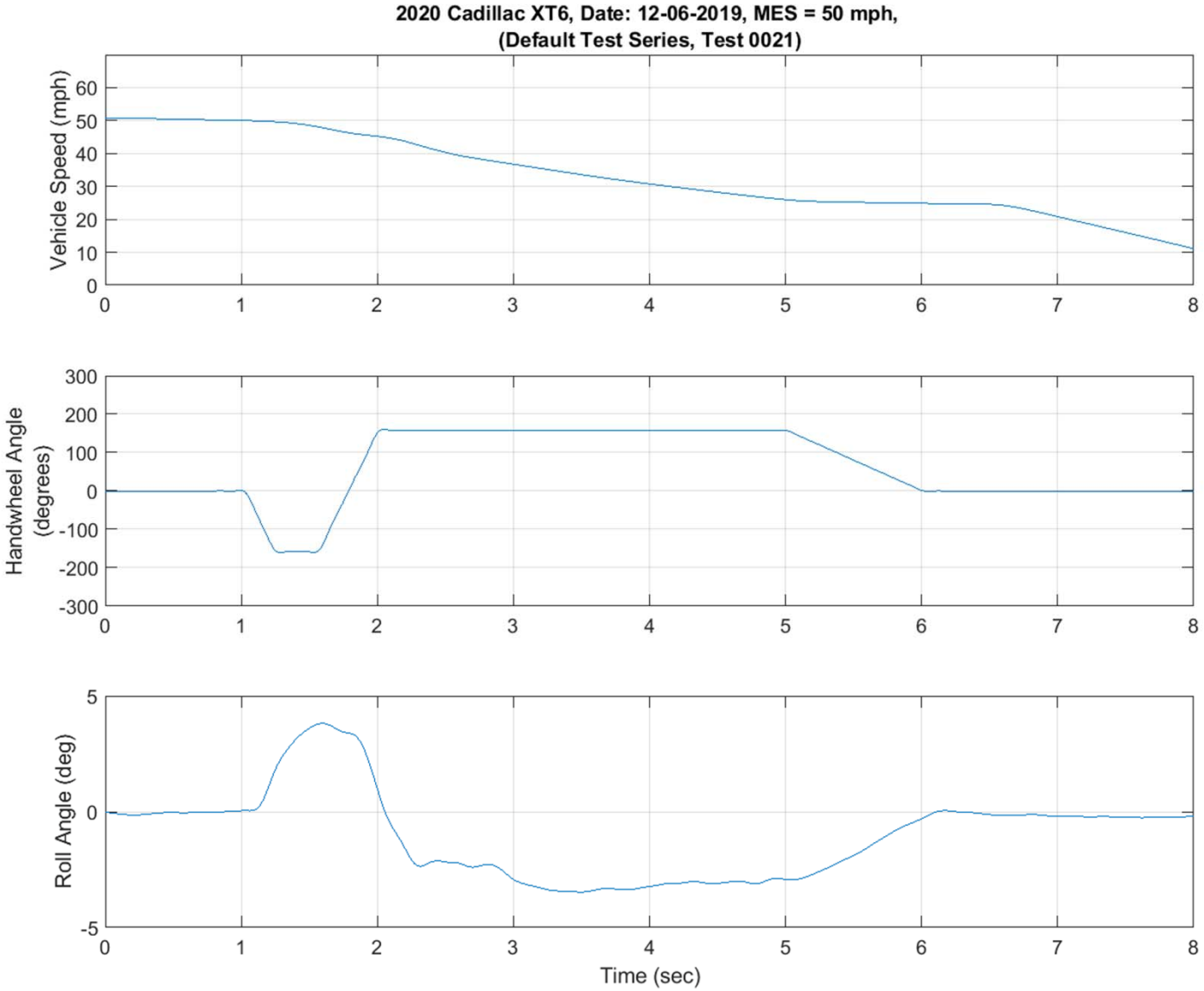

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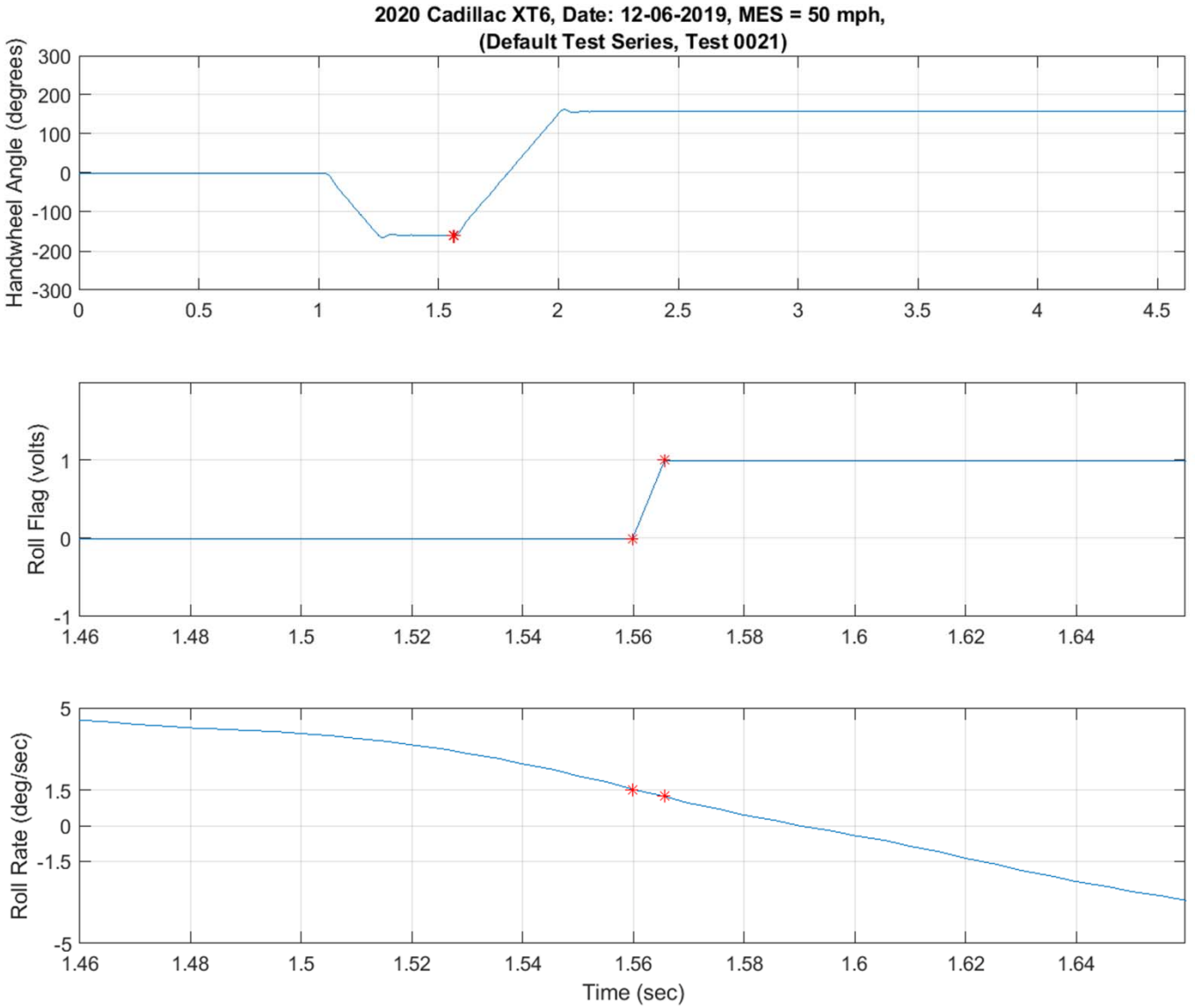

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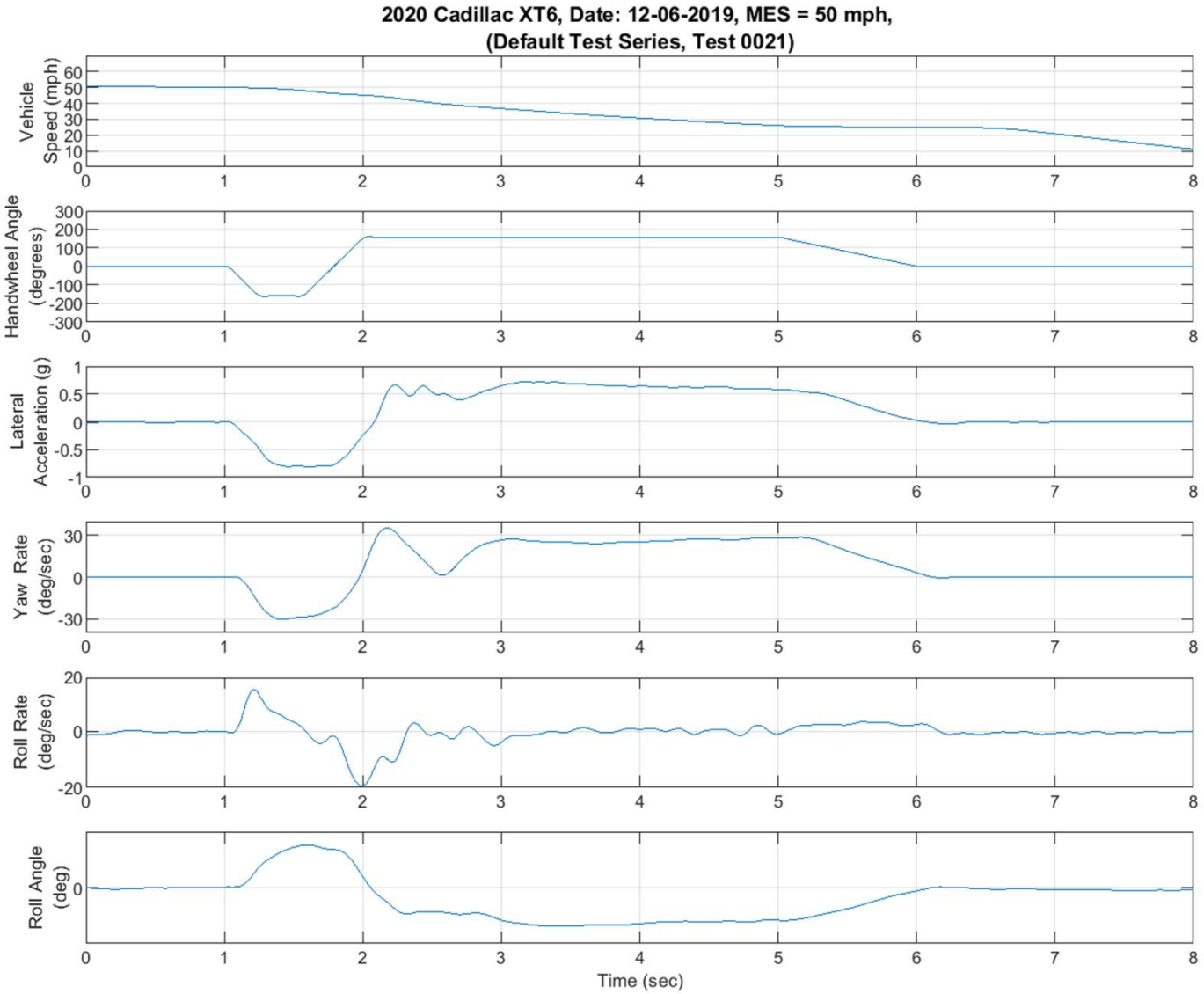
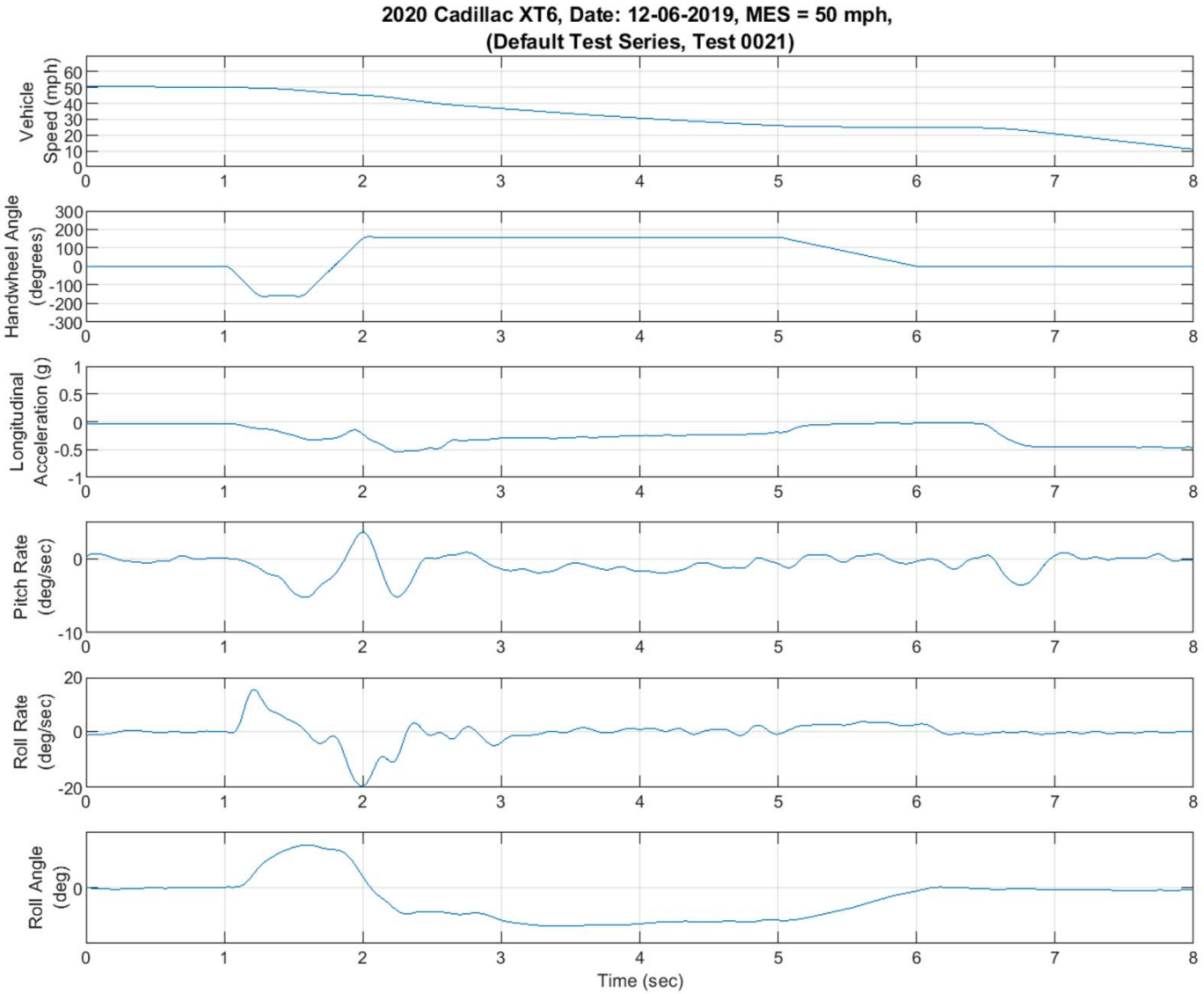


Figure D11. Yaw Rate, Roll Rate, and Lateral Acceleration Time History Plots for Supplemental 2 Test Series, L-R, 50 mph



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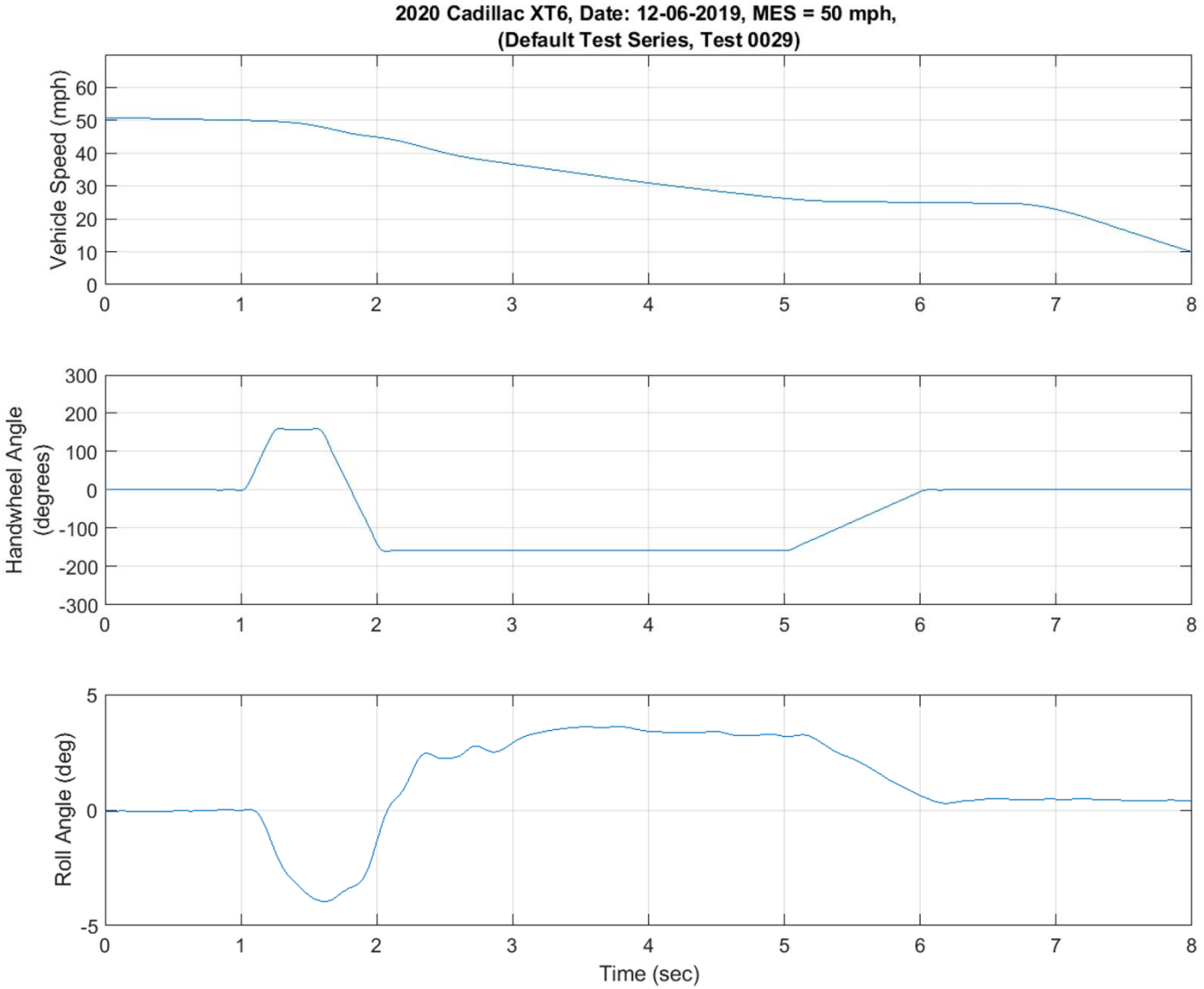

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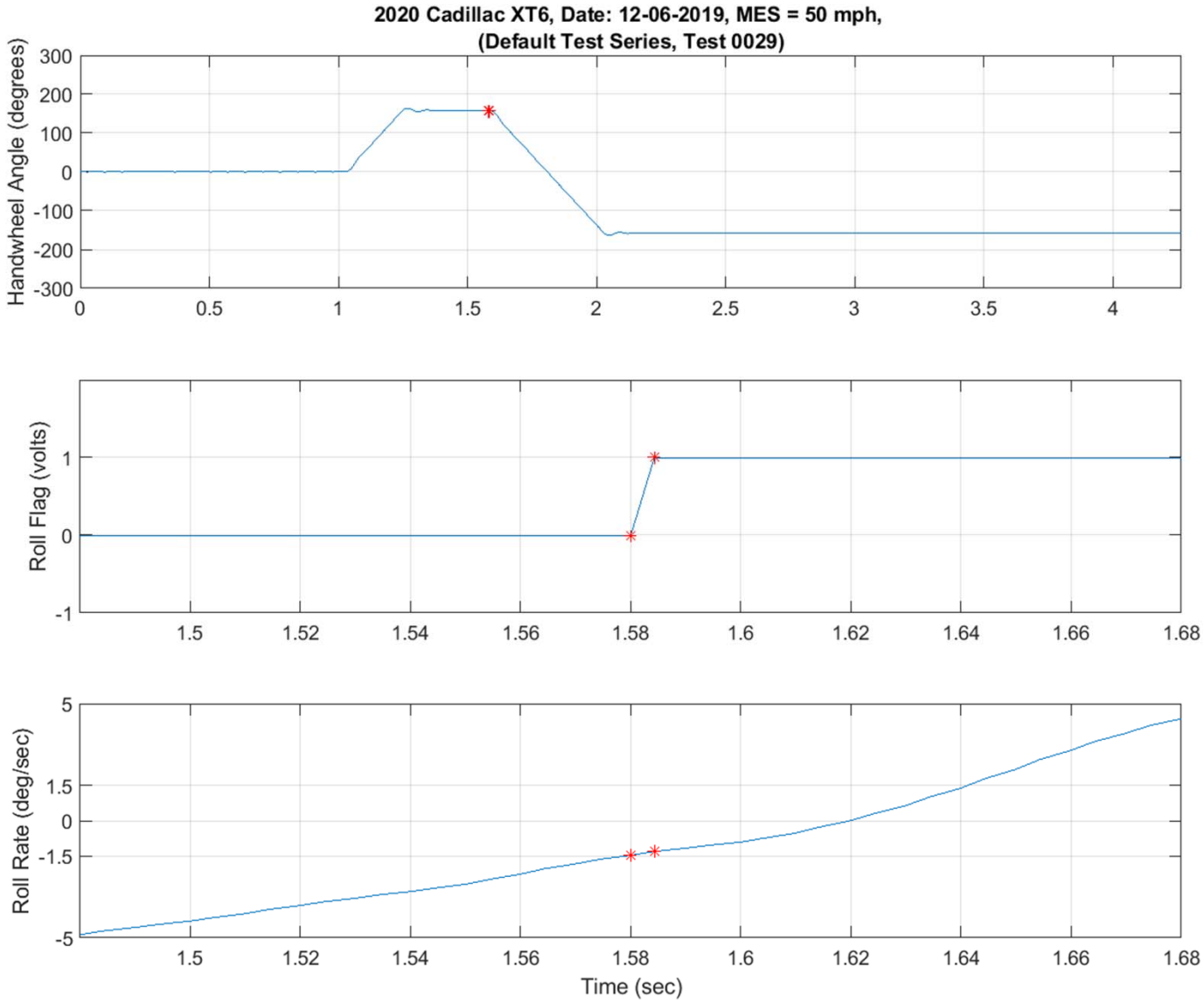

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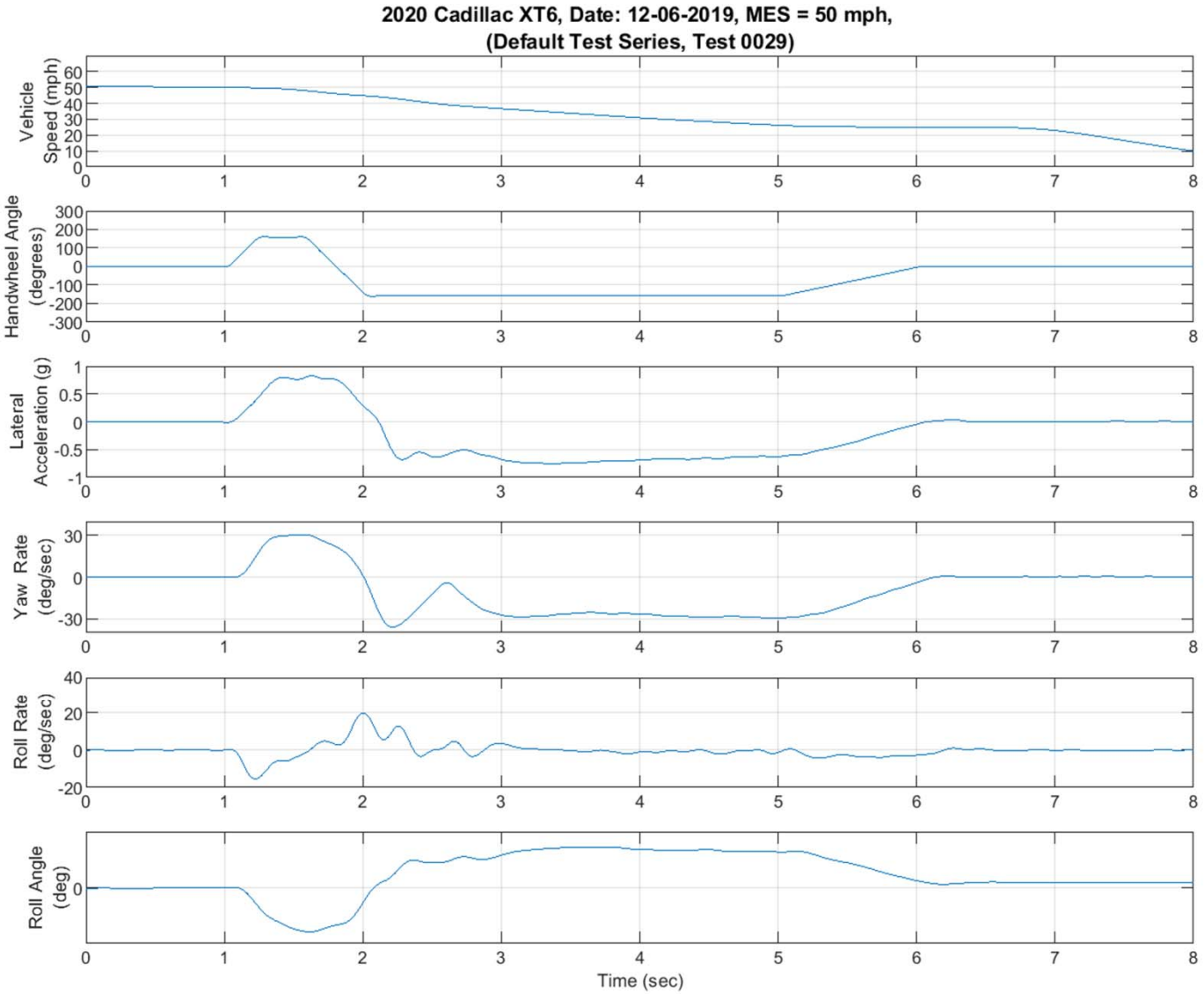

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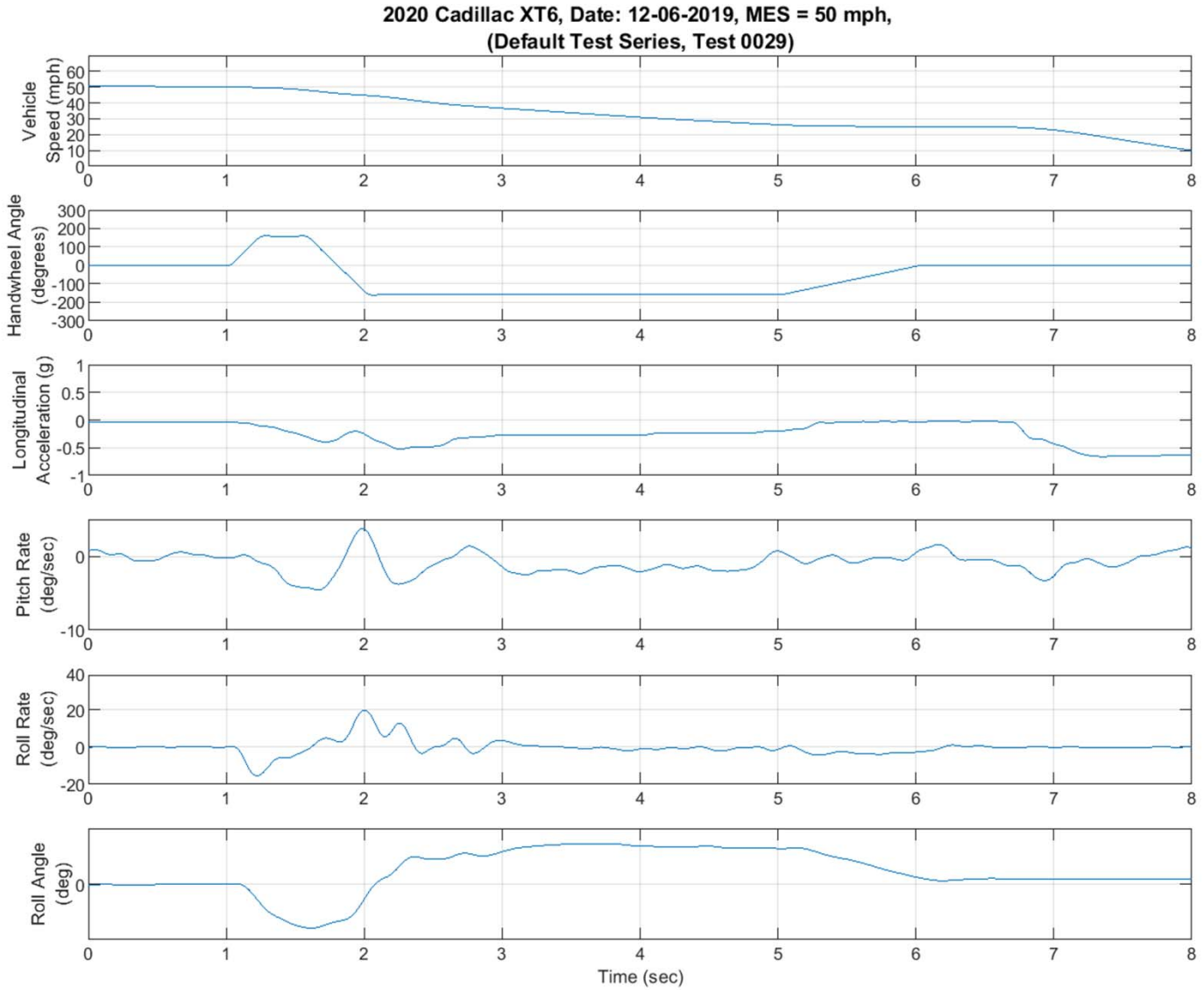

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