



EDFC ACTIVE P R O

**Electronic Damping Force Controller,
with added Lateral G-Actuated Adjustment,
to Maximize Vehicle's Potential**

2014 New Product



EDFC ACTIVE PRO is a high-spec version of EDFC ACTIVE, which enables automatic adjustment of damping force according to the changes in longitudinal G-force and vehicle speed, and comes with new and upgraded functions.

Newly-added features, such as individual adjustment of 4 shock absorbers, lateral (cornering) G-actuated automatic adjustment, vehicle speed pulse input and 2 additional input ports to communicate with drivers, are sure to bring out the full potential of each shock absorber as well as the vehicle itself. Please enjoy another dimension of shock absorber performance that EDFC ACTIVE PRO brings. (Patent Pending)

* This product does not adjust vehicle ride height.

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For EDFC ACTIVE users

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Setup sheet is available in Excel and PDF formats. Please download from the links below.

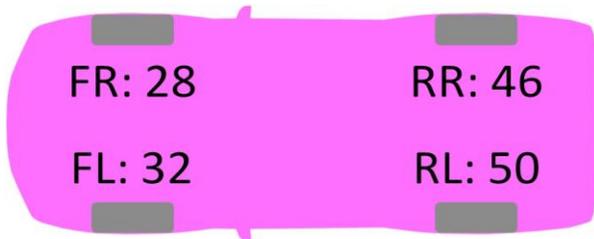


Concepts & New Functions

[Concept 1] Further Improvement in Cornering Performance

■ Four-Wheel Independent Adjustment

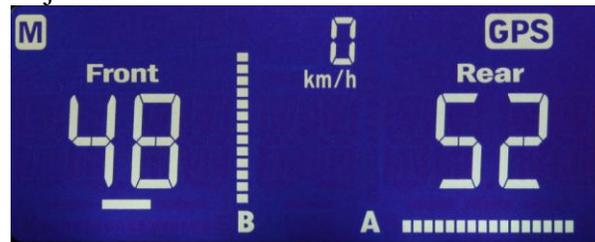
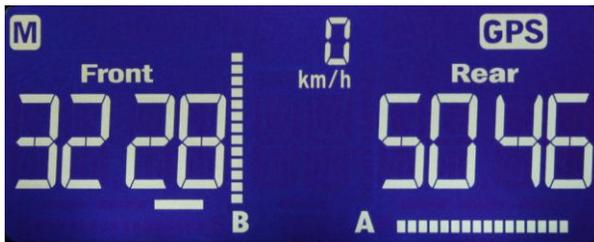
EDFC ACTIVE adjusts front and rear damping force separately, but left and right simultaneously. With EDFC ACTIVE PRO, damping force for all 4 suspensions can be adjusted separately. This enables finer adjustment according to the road layout and conditions. This feature also works with automatic adjustment.



Four-Wheel Independent Adjustment



Front/Rear Separate & Right/Left Simultaneous Adjustment

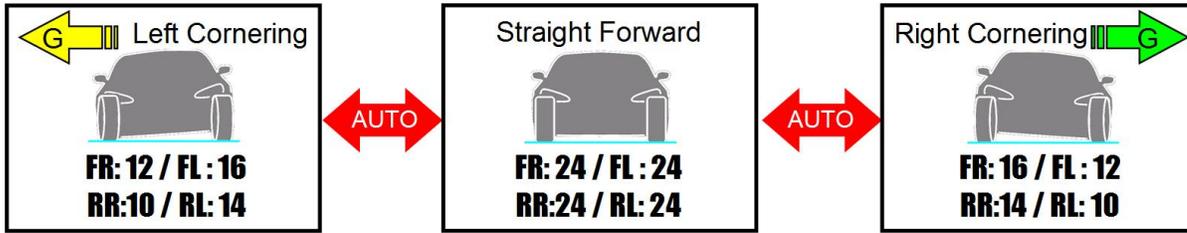


■ Lateral G-Actuated Adjustment

While EDFC ACTIVE enables automatic adjustments based on changes in acceleration/deceleration (longitudinal) G-force and vehicle speed, EDFC ACTIVE PRO adds the capability to adjust to lateral (cornering) G-force change. This feature offers the advantages of ability to suppress side rolls, to balance distribution of left/right cornering loads and/or to increase cornering speed. In addition, understeering/oversteering can be controlled by adjusting front/rear damping force separately.

This lateral G-actuated adjustment can be combined with longitudinal G-actuated adjustment for a full 360-degree adjustment and/or with speed-sensitive adjustment for most comprehensive adjustment.

This is useful not only for improving times on tracks/circuits and drivability, but also for daily driving as stable cornering can probably have positive effects on reducing burden on drivers and on minimizing tire abrasion.

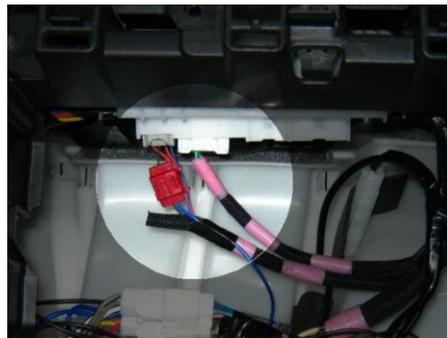
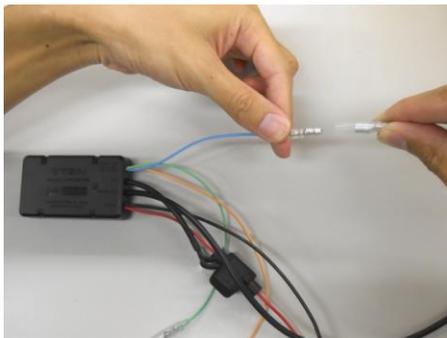


[Concept 2] Acquisition of Vehicle Speed Data, Unaffected by GPS Reception Conditions

■ External Input for Vehicle's Speed Pulse

In addition to the vehicle speed calculated by the use of optional GPS kit, EDFC ACTIVE PRO can adjust damping force according to the vehicle speed signal data obtained via external input port. This enables uninterrupted speed-sensitive adjustment even when/where GPS signal is not available. It is required to know the type of speed pulse because it varies quite a bit by vehicle models, but EDFC ACTIVE PRO can be programmed easily without such details. To set up, nothing other than the controller is needed.

*Acquisition of speed signal might not be possible with some vehicle models. In such case, the speed-sensitive adjustment is only available with optional GPS kit used.



[Concept 3] Added Control Functions Responding to Driver's Intention

■ 2 Additional Input Ports for External Signals

EDFC ACTIVE brought the automatic damping force adjustment into reality, but there are customers asking more.

"I want to have more control over the car."

"I want to give my own cue, independent of G-force and speed change."

EDFC ACTIVE PRO comes with 2 external input ports in order to meet such needs. While the signal is on, the damping force is adjusted to and stays at the preset level.

For example, it can be connected to the parking brake signal for better drifting, to a universal switch to turn it on when the driver sees the slippery surface, and so on. Each and every driver can use these ports as he/she likes, for wider varieties of purposes.

Examples of Use for External Inputs



Connected to Parking Brake Signal
Connected to Universal Switch (not included)

Operation Modes

● Manual Mode

There is only one simple dial to set damping force to desired levels. Up to 10 presets are available to store and quickly recall preferred settings, according to the changes in situation.

Examples



● G-Actuated Automatic Adjustment Mode

■ Lateral G-Actuated Automatic Adjustment Mode

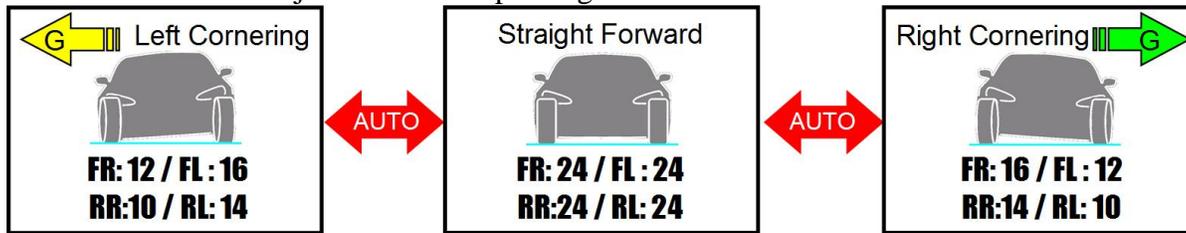
This mode enables automatic adjustment according to the changes in lateral (cornering) G-force. 2 separate modes available; "G-Arrange Mode" to adjust damping force when G-force reaches the preset value (max 10 memories) each time, and "G-Linear Mode" to adjust linearly according to the preset G-force values, automatically supplementing the values in between.

For example, damping force is set to softer level while running on street roads to absorb unevenness on road surface smoothly and set to harder when cornering to suppress side rolls for smoother handling and ride comfort.

On circuits, understeering/oversteering can be controlled by setting damping force to increase stability while braking and setting up front/rear damping force separately to correspond to degree of acceleration/deceleration.

*Damping force is adjusted by the set value (relative value) from the manually set level according to the changes in lateral G-force.

Lateral G-Actuated Adjustment Concept Image



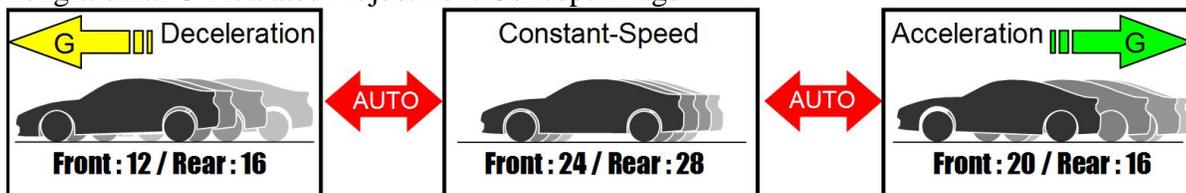
■Longitudinal G-Actuated Automatic Adjustment Mode

This mode enables automatic adjustment according to the changes in longitudinal (acceleration/deceleration) G-force. 2 separate modes available; "G-Arrange Mode" to adjust damping force when G-force reaches the preset value (max 10 memories) each time, and "G-Linear Mode" to adjust linearly according to the preset G-force values, automatically supplementing the values in between.

For example, on streets, damping force is set to softer level while driving at constant speed to absorb unevenness on road surface smoothly and set to harder level when accelerating/decelerating to suppress unnecessary vehicle movement for better handling and ride comfort. On circuits, understeering/oversteering can be controlled by setting damping force to increase stability while braking and setting up front/rear damping force separately to correspond to degree of acceleration/deceleration.

*Damping force is adjusted by the set value (relative value) from the manually set level according to the changes in longitudinal G-force.

Longitudinal G-Actuated Adjustment Concept Image



●Speed-Sensitive Automatic Adjustment Mode

This mode enables automatic adjustment according to the changes in vehicle speed. 2 separate modes available; "S-Arrange Mode" to adjust damping force when vehicle reaches the preset speed (max 10 memories) each time, and "S-Linear Mode" to adjust linearly at all speed according to the preset points, automatically supplementing the values in between.

For example, on streets, damping force is set to softer level while driving slower for softer ride without any bumpy feel and set to harder level when driving faster for better stability and handling.

On circuits, damping force can be controlled according to speed range to change handling performance, such as reducing understeer a bit at low speed corners and reducing oversteer a little at high speed corners.

*Speed-sensitive adjustment program for EDFC ACTIVE PRO differs from that for EDFC ACTIVE, as the former adjusts by the set value (relative value) from the manually set level while the latter adjusts to the set value (absolute value). Refer to the manual for further details.

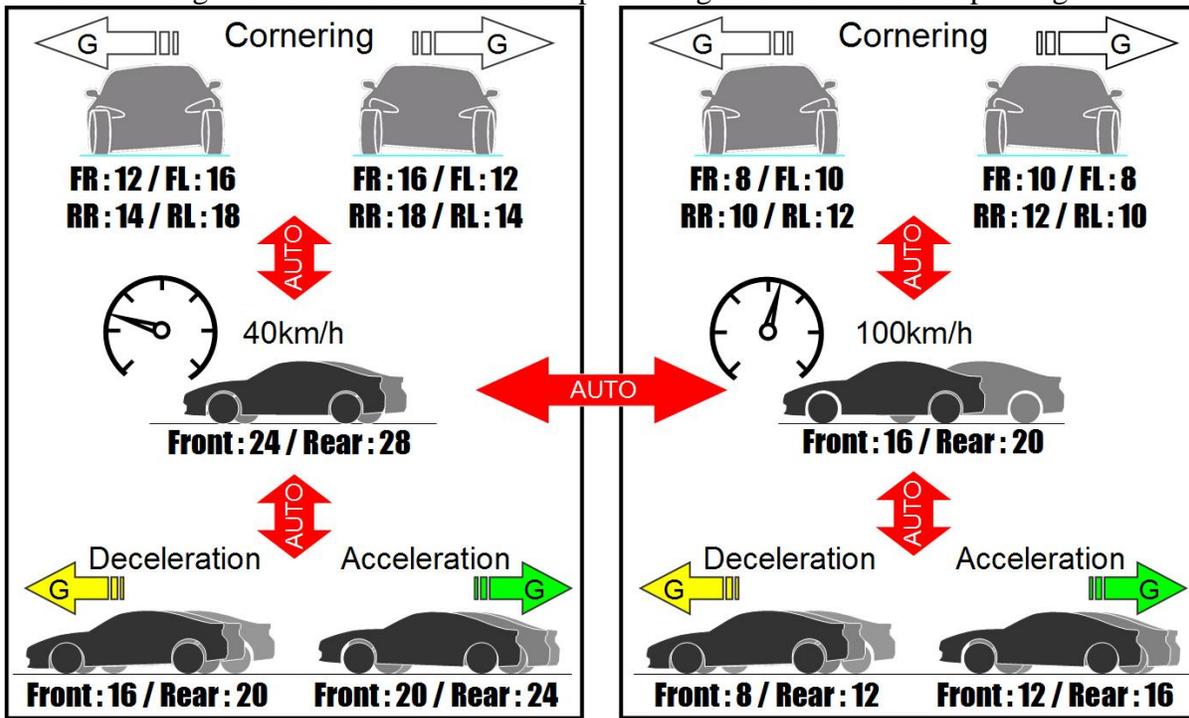
Speed-Sensitive Adjustment Concept Image



●G+Speed Integrated Control Mode

While EDFC ACTIVE combines 2 modes; longitudinal G-force and speed, EDFC ACTIVE PRO can combine all 3 modes; longitudinal G-force, lateral G-force and speed.

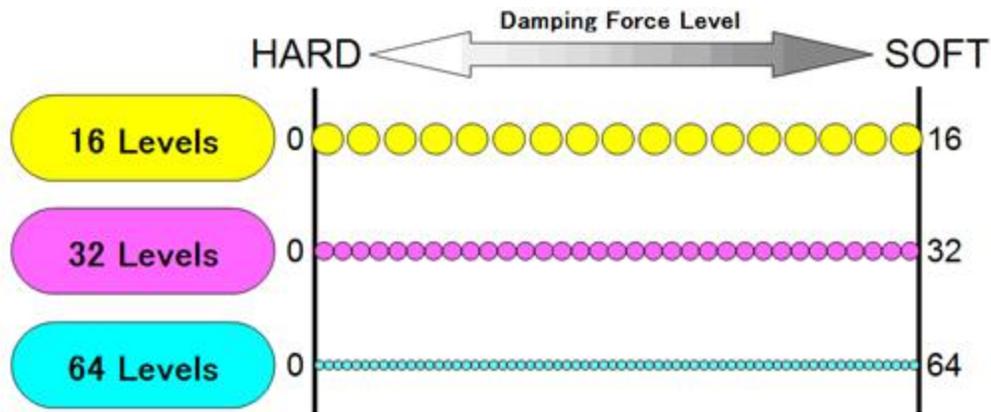
Lateral G-Force + Longitudinal G-Force + Vehicle Speed Integrated Control Concept Image



➤ Other Features & Functions

●3 Damping Force Adjustment Modes

Damping force adjustment levels can be set in 3 different types; 16-level, 32-level or 64-level. Most TEIN damping force adjustable dampers come with 16-level adjustment. Use of EDFC ACTIVE PRO adds 32-level and 64-level adjustment capabilities within the same range for finer adjustments especially in automatic adjustment modes.

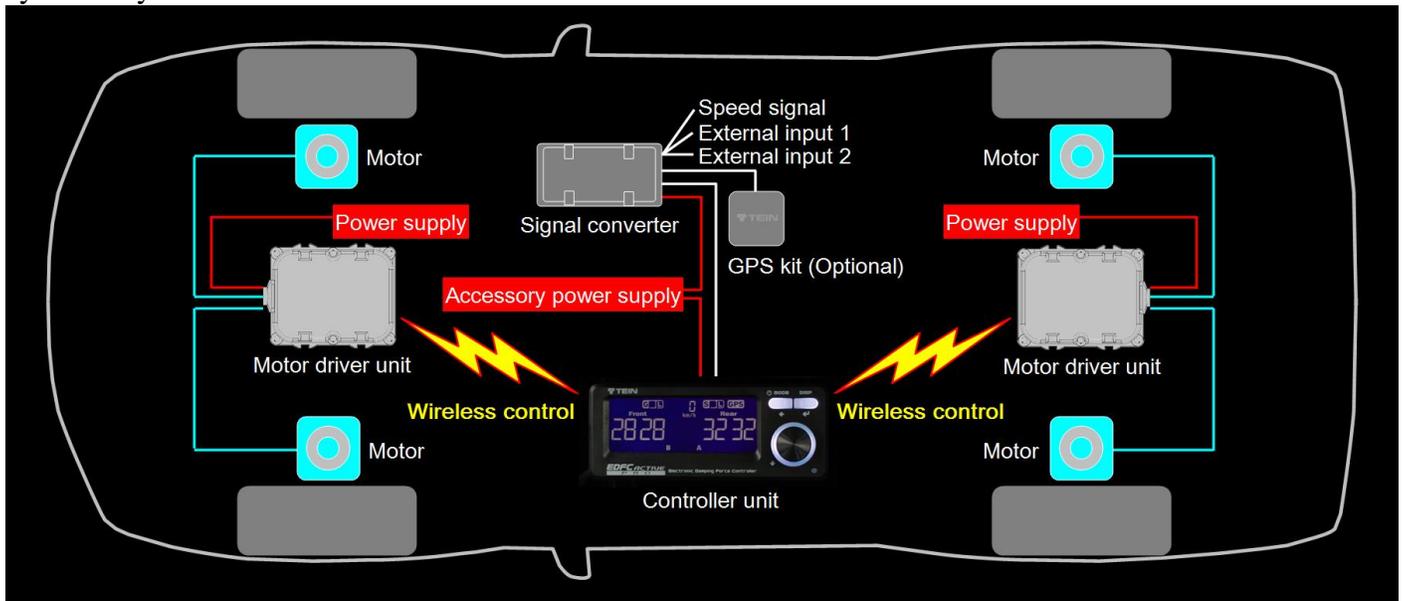


●High-Response Wireless Control

EDFC ACTIVE PRO features wireless control system for easy installation / wiring. Controller unit is connected wirelessly to motor driver units which control motors, eliminating the need for troublesome wiring such as putting cables through bulkheads and/or placing/anchoring cables inside the car.

The use of the latest wireless technology realized fast and reliable communication between the controller and the motors. Of course, the wireless communication stays stable and uninterrupted. 16.77 million ID patterns are available for motor units and hence there is no chance of confusion with other units. Motor driver units are built to provide tougher protection against dust and water, to make it possible to install outside the vehicle

System Layout



●Controller Unit

G-sensor, wireless transmitter and various functions are all fit into a compact controller unit, which has wide 22x60mm display for better visibility.

A wiring gutter on the back of the controller unit offers greater flexibility in positioning the controller unit and the cable.



Example of Controller Installation



Back side of controller unit

●Frequency of Return-to-Zero Operation

In order to maintain the correct damping force level, the system is programmed to perform zero-return on start-up, where all motors are rotated to the hardest (level 0) position and then returned to the previously set position. We added the option to choose the frequency, for people who do not really like the sound of motors during such operation.

The user can choose from 3 options; on every start-up, once in every 10 start-ups or none at all.

*It is recommended to perform zero-return periodically to maintain the correct damping force setting.

*Zero-return is performed each and every time the controller itself is manually turned on.

●Starting Point for G-Actuated Adjustment

For people who do not want G-actuated adjustment to work and/or do not like the motor sounds while driving at low speed, we added the function to set the minimum speed at which G-actuated adjustment to start working.

Starting point can be set between 0 to 50km/h (or 0 to 50MPH) and G-actuated adjustment would not work when the vehicle speed is below such set value.

- One-Dial Operation

Simple one-dial operation is adopted with emphasis on convenient handling. This user-intuitive interface requires only a few basic operations to remember; turn the dial to select/adjust, push the dial to confirm and push 2 buttons above the dial to switch between the different functions.

- Triaxial Acceleration Sensor

Controller has a built-in triaxial G-sensor, which offers the ability to install controller unit at any desired angle & direction.

- Display & Button Automatic Dimmer Function

Brightness of the display and the button illumination can be adjusted automatically according to the brightness of the surroundings detected by the built-in optical sensor. This eliminates the need for connecting cable to vehicle's illumination power supply. This function can be turned off.

- Display & Button Dimmer Function (level 0 to 3)

Brightness baseline of the display and the buttons for automatic dimmer function can be set by the user between level 0 (off), 1 (dark) and 3 (bright).

- Switchable Display View Angle (2 patterns)

Viewing angle of display can be adjusted in 2 different angles to offer better visibility even when the controller unit is installed at an angle.

- Buzzer Volume Adjustment (level 0 to 3)

Volume of "button sound/buzzer" and "auto-adjustment buzzer" can be set separately between level 0 (mute), 1 (low) and 3 (high).

- Lock Function

Operation of both buttons and dial can be locked to prevent operation mistakes.

- Self-Diagnostic Function

The self-diagnostic function checks the status of driver unit and/or wireless communication. If it detects any errors in driver unit (disconnection / short circuit) and/or problem in wireless connection, the result will be shown on display.

- New Material for Outer Housing

EDFC ACTIVE PRO adopted the new material for the outer housing of the driver unit, for improved heat resistance.

- Ability to Adjust Color of Display and Button Illumination (Full 262K Colors)

In addition to 4 default colors (white, green, amber & blue), fine-tunable custom colors are available.



White



Green



Amber



Blue



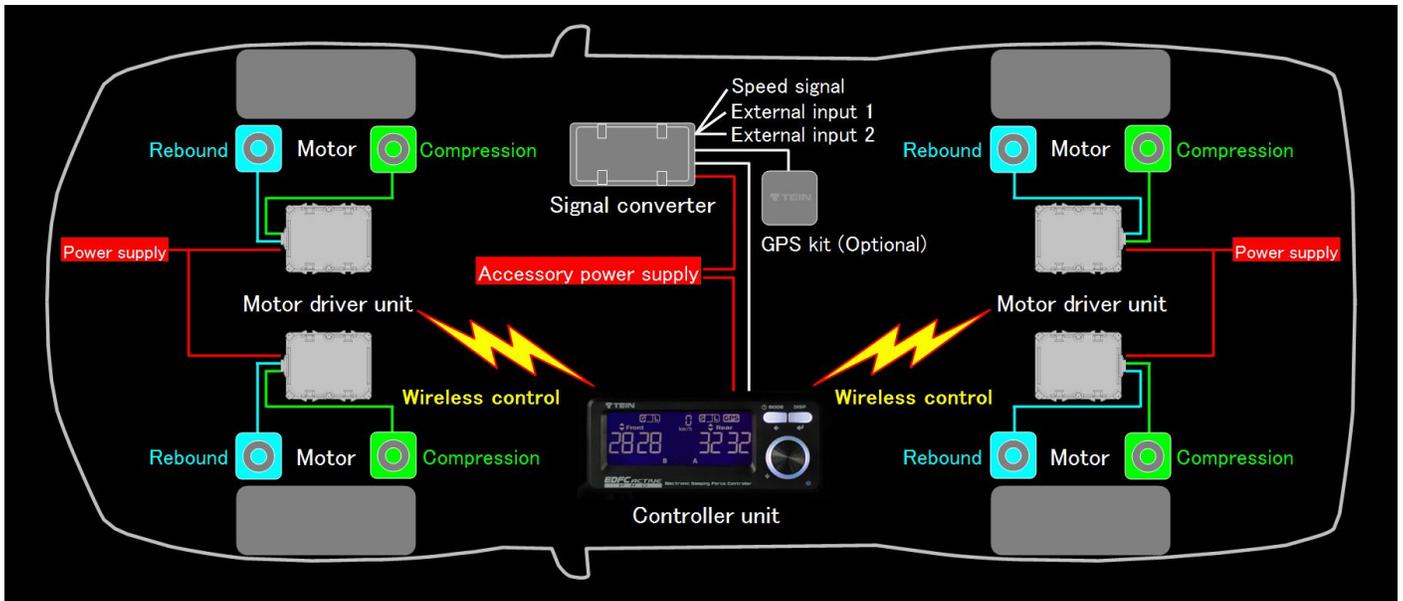
Custom Color Example #1



Custom Color Example #2

- Ability to Control Damper Kit w/ Separate Compression/Rebound Adjustment (e.g. SUPER RACING) EDFC ACTIVE PRO controller unit is capable of controlling up to 8 motors individually with the use of additional motor driver units. All the functions, including automatic adjustment, are operational for 8 motors. *Please purchase required parts separately. [Click here for details](#)

System Layout



● Various Display Functions

In addition to the usual damping force display (with G-force bar on/off), G-force (numerical values & bar), vehicle speed can be shown. With GPS kit, altitude, longitude, latitude, trip meter and clock can be displayed.



Damping Force Level
(4-Wheel Independent)



Damping Force Level
(Front/Rear Separate & Right/Left Simultaneous)



G-Force



G-Force Peak Value

*Longitudinal G-force and lateral G-force can be displayed in numerical value and as bar display, with max-hold function.

G-force bar display is switchable between full scale 0.3G and 1.0G



Vehicle Speed
(w/ max-hold function & can be shown in MPH)

Display functions only available with GPS kit



Altitude



Longitude
(degrees, degrees+minutes, or
degrees+minutes+seconds)



Latitude
(degrees, degrees+minutes, or
degrees+minutes+seconds)



Up to 10 Trip Meters (can be shown in miles)



Precise GPS Clock
(capable of keeping accurate time
when GPS is not available)