Front Shock length calculation



Point A - the lower arm connects to the spindle will be the fixed reference. The height of A is set by the tire radius and the fixed dimension from the tire center down to A. That distance is assumed to be 5". The OEM tire diameter is 25.2"

Point B - the lower arm connects to the body is the car's ride height. Using the difference between B and A with the length of the lower arm, the angle of the lower arm is calculated.

Point C - the shock connects to the body. Its position is calculated from B and the fixed distance of 117.5/306 set by the body.

Point D - the shock connects to the lower arm. Its position can be calculated using the angle of the lower arm.

The shock length is calculated from the D to C positions.

The excel spread sheet

tire	А	В	Angle	ВΧ	ВΥ	СХ	СҮ	DX	DY	L
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The factory normal ride height was a shock length between 13.5 to 14.0". The ride height on this chart is measured from the lower arm to body bolt (point B)

Factory shock minimum length was 11.6" with a maximum length of 17"