Welcome to Biology 427 Biomechanics 2004



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Course web page:

http://faculty.washington.edu/danielt/BiomechanicsWeb/Bio427.html

Lecture 1: An introduction to Biomechanics: Jumping right in.

What's the course about?

- •How is the course organized?
- •What physics basics need I review?
- •Jumping right into it: the mechanics of ballistic bodies.

Physical principles underlying biological processes and mechanisms (movement, design, architecture, materials, transport).

Many levels of biological organization:
molecular —> cellular —> tissue —> organism —> population

Course Syllabus

COURSE ORGANIZATION

- 3 lectures per week
- Real and CD text books with assigned reading
- Handouts
- Weekly problem sets (physics and math don't get easliy or reasonably memorized)
- Critical reviews of the scientific literautre
- Discussion (review problem sets, panel discussion of papers)
- One course project (in which you develop your own physical analysis of biological problems)

No exams

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Some basics for Biomechanics: A simple problem with a physics review

Rule 1: Equations must be dimensionally correct! Mass, Length and Time (we commonly use S.I. units*)

Describe physical quantities

distance	X	L	m
Velocity	v,dx/dt	L T ⁻¹	m s ⁻¹
Acceleration	\mathbf{a} ,d \mathbf{v} /dt,d $^2\mathbf{x}$ /dt 2	L T ⁻²	m s ⁻²
Momentum	M , m v	M L T ⁻¹	kg m s ⁻¹
Force	F, d(mv)/dt	M L T ⁻²	Newton, kg m s ⁻²
Work	E, F.x (if constant F)	M L ² T ⁻²	Joule, kg m ² s ⁻²
Power	P, dE/dt	$M L^2 T^{-3}$	Watt, kg m ² s ⁻³

*Systemme Internationale

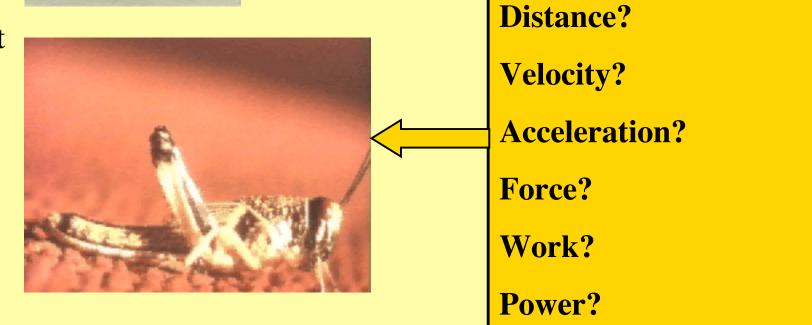
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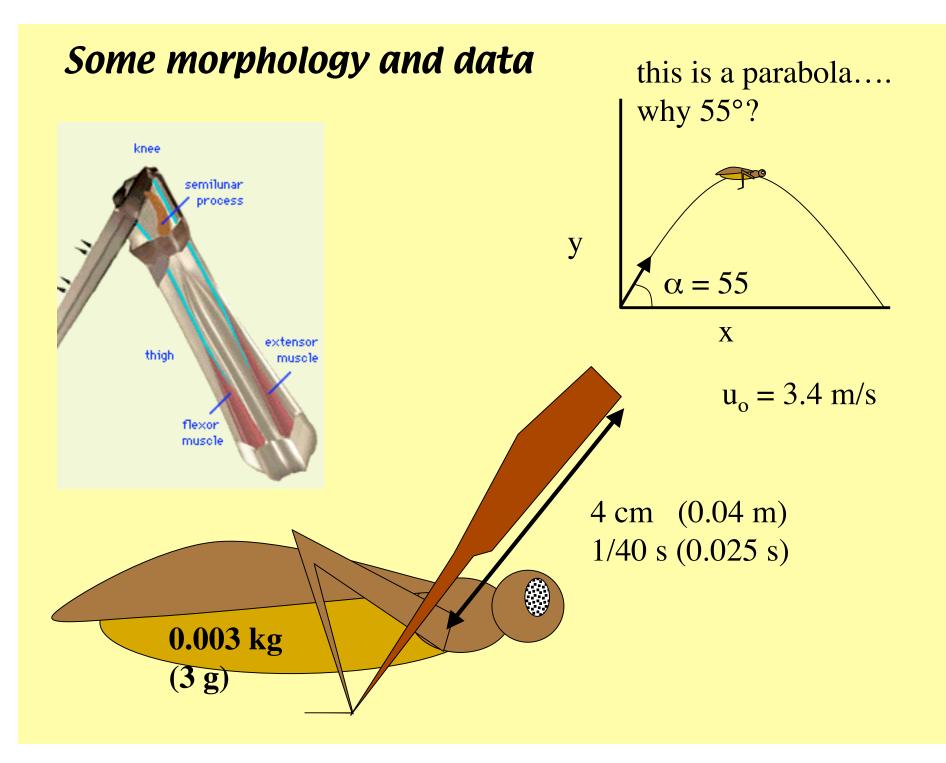


Humans and parts of them

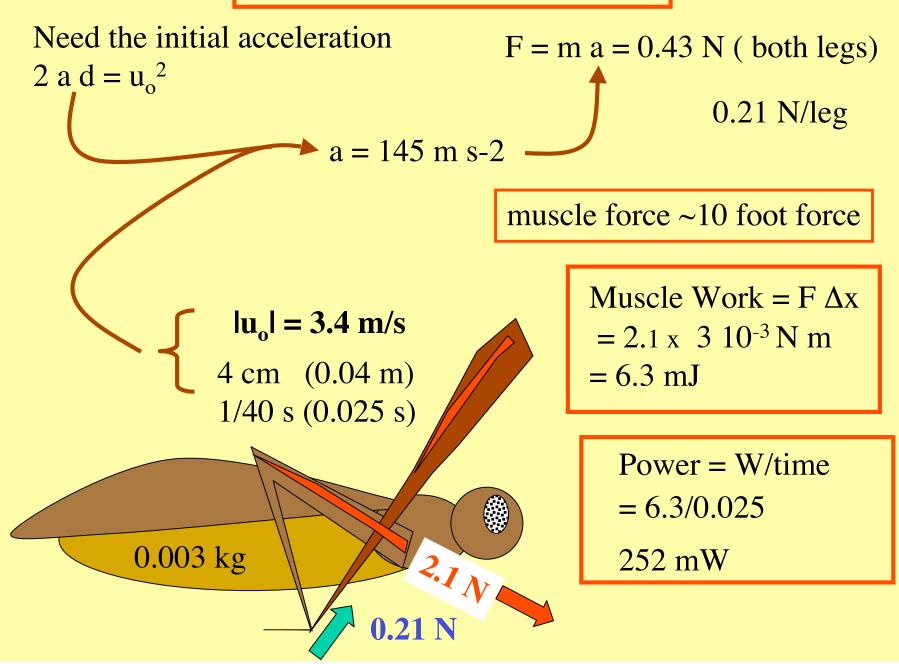


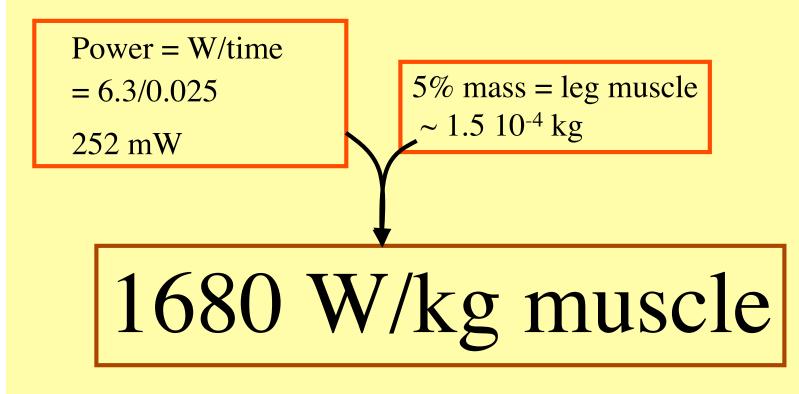
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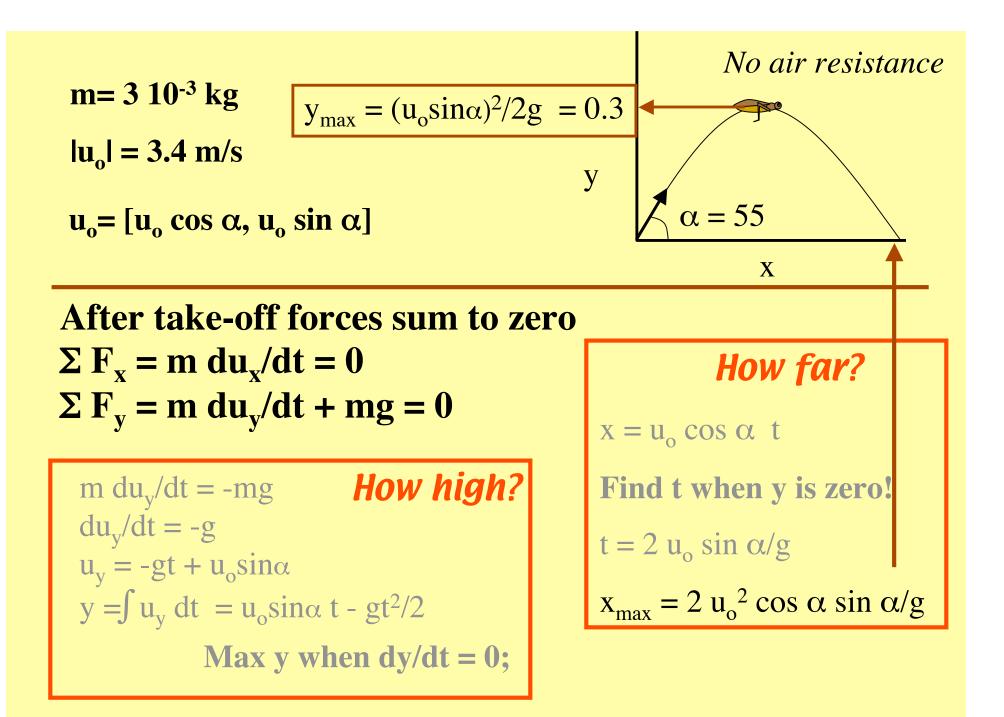


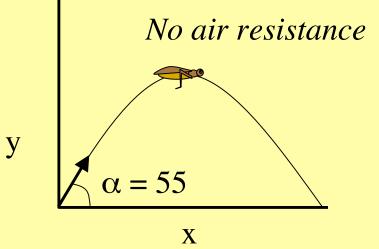
Force? Energy? Power?





Human on a bicycle ergometer ~ 40 W/kg Maximum single twitch in vertebrate muscle ~400 W/kg

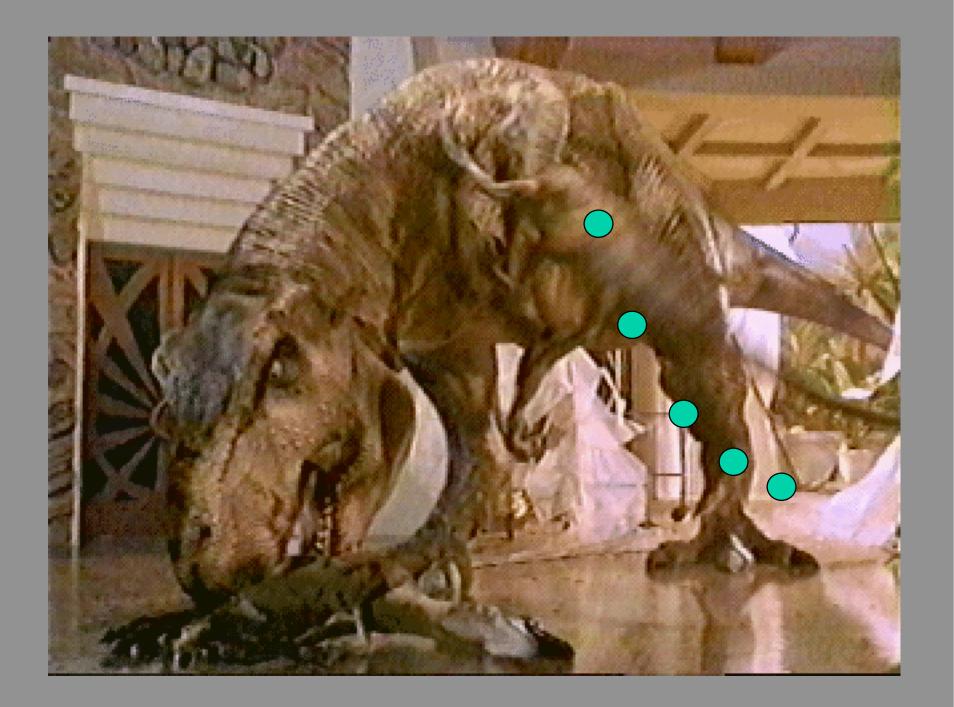




$$y = x \sin \alpha \cos \alpha - g(x/u_0 \cos \alpha)^2/2$$



$$y = \int u_y dt = u_0 \sin \alpha t - gt^2/2$$



*Lecture 2: Muscle and molecular mechanics**

•Recap

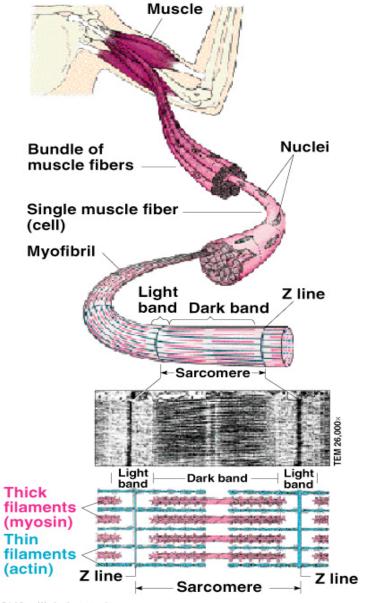
- •Molecular basis of force generation: ATP hydrolysis expands an elastic molecule
- •Release of 'elastic strain energy' is manifest as force.
- •Three key experiments: old and new.
- •New biomechanical analyses.

*Read Chapter 1 "Machinery of Movement" on CD

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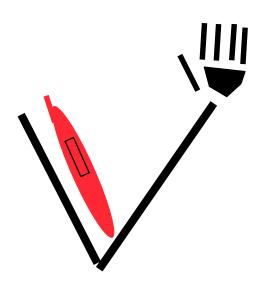
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What are the molecular determinants of force ?



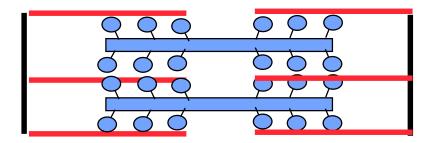
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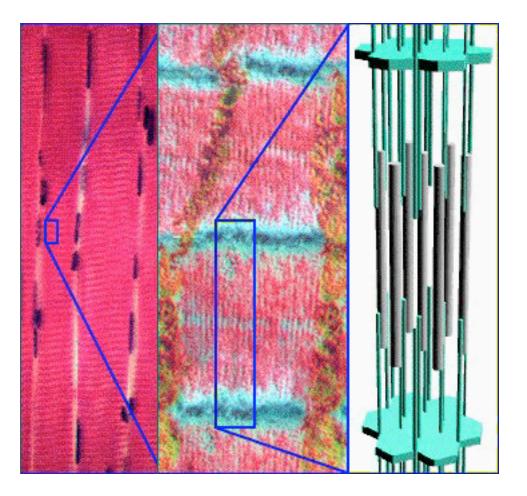
The Geometry of Muscle

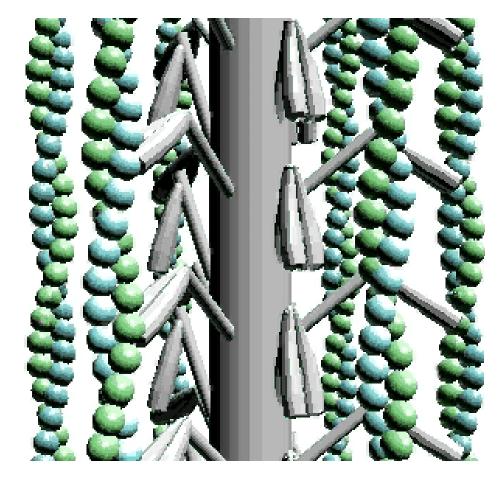


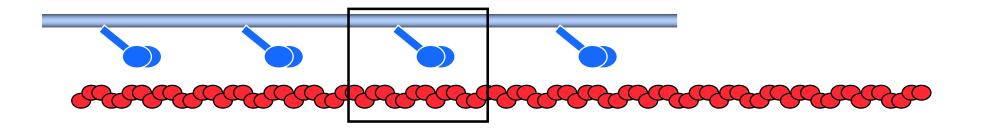


Sarcomere

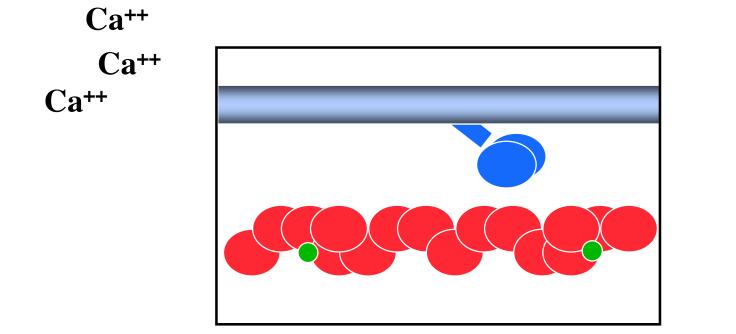


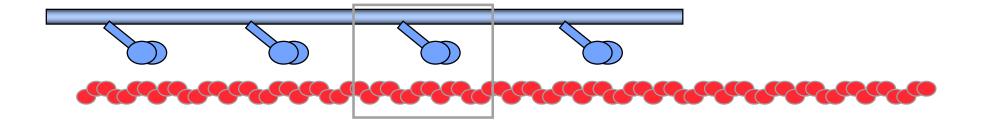


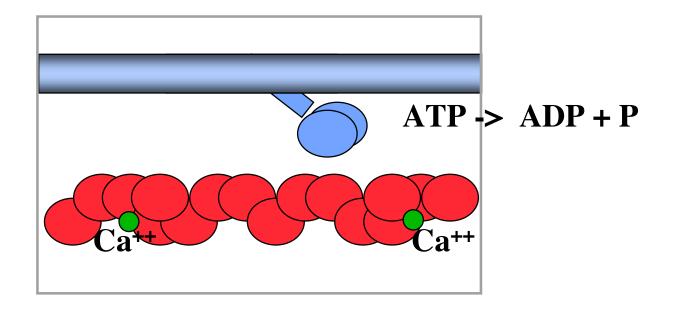


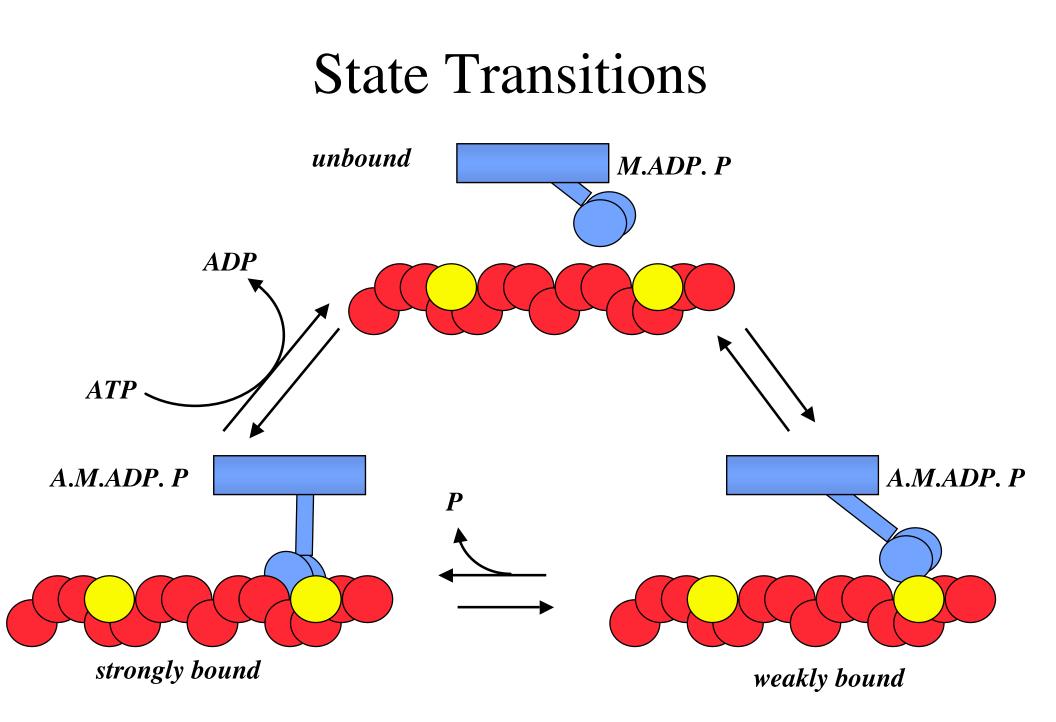


ATP

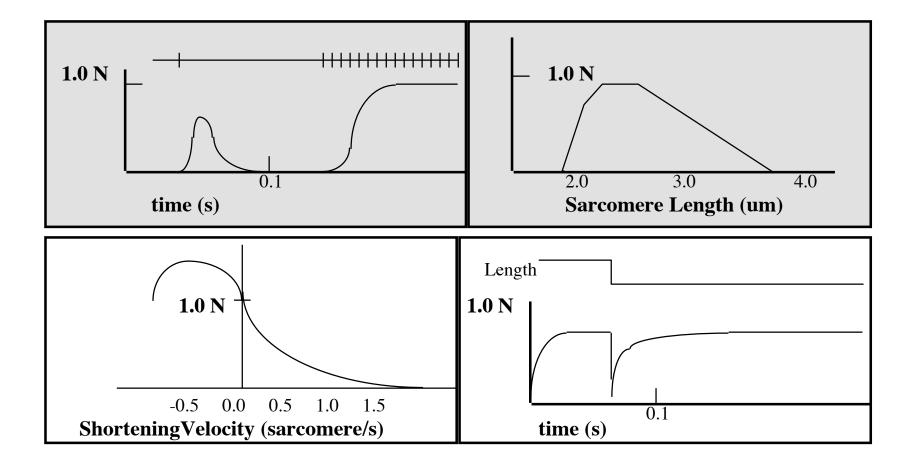




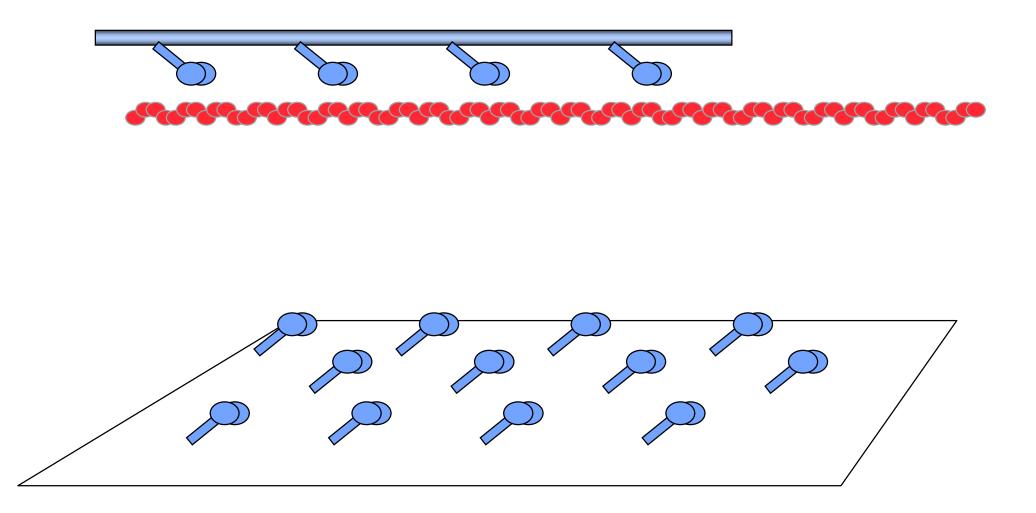




Experimental Mechanical Evidence?

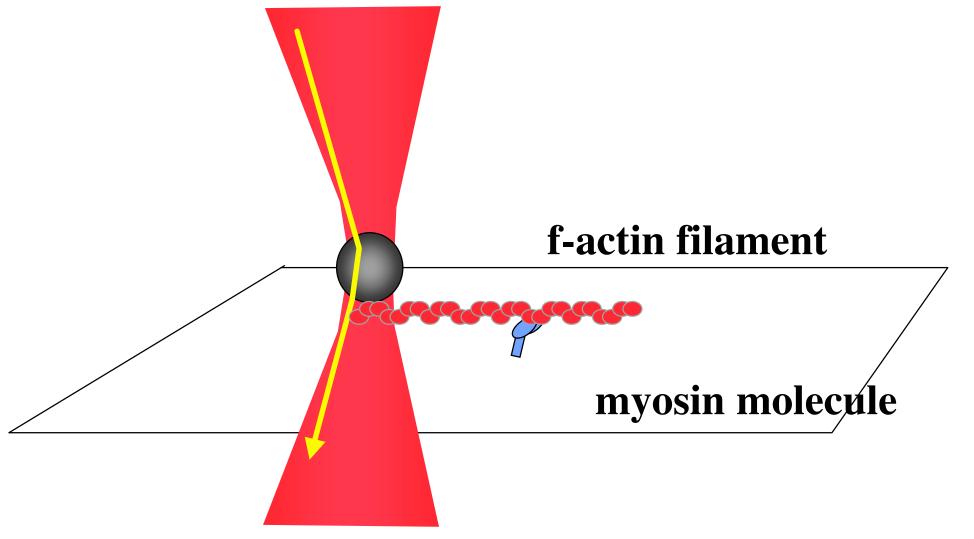


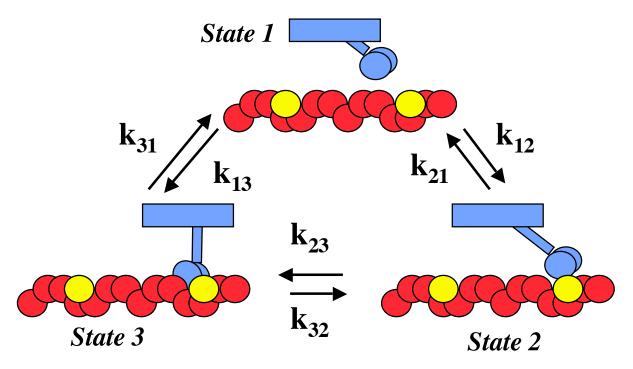
In vitro motility *



*Dr. Bryant Chase and Kristi Kulin

Optical Tweezers Photons have momentum (but no mass) Photon flux ~ momentum flux ~ force

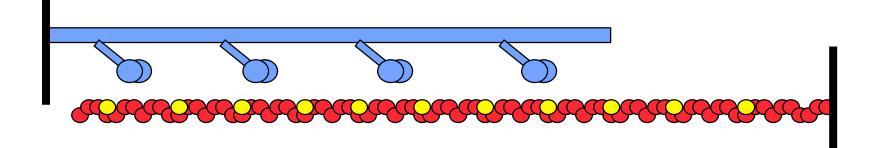




Forward transition rates depend on:

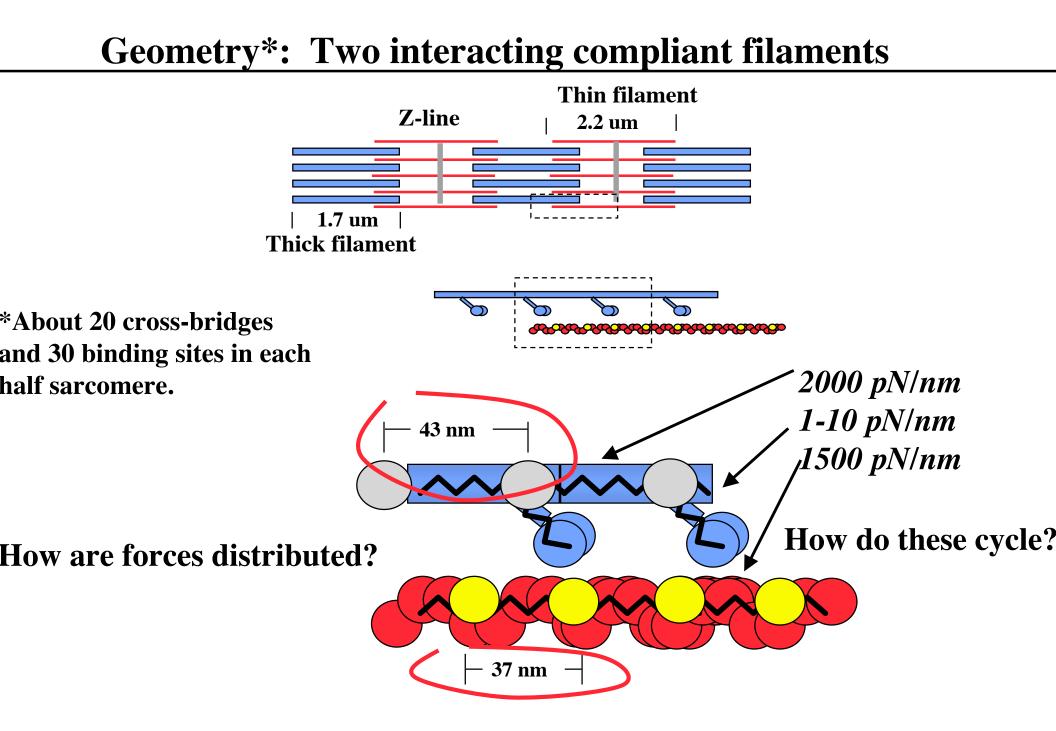
- •distance to a binding site
- •distortion of a cross-bridge
- •Reverse transition rates calculated from equilibrium thermodynamics $(exp(\Delta G) dynamics)$.

If filaments are not deformable, there is no interaction between cross-bridges and mass-action models can be used

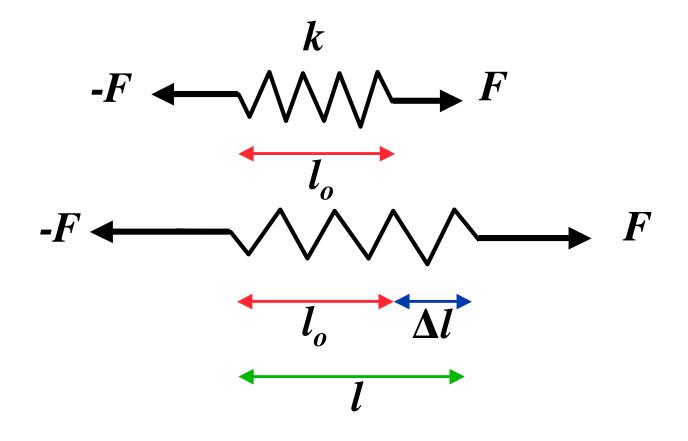


If deformations result from cross-bridge forces, then this is a coupled system -- spatially explicit models are then needed*.

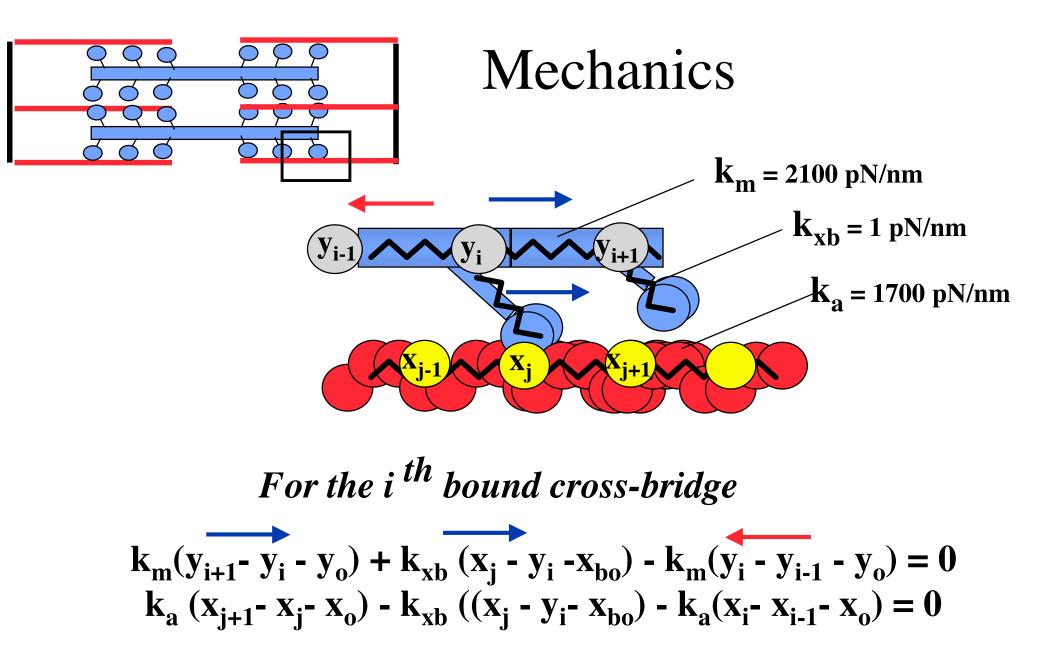
*Huxley, Wakabayashi, Isambert, and many others



Recall Hooke's Law

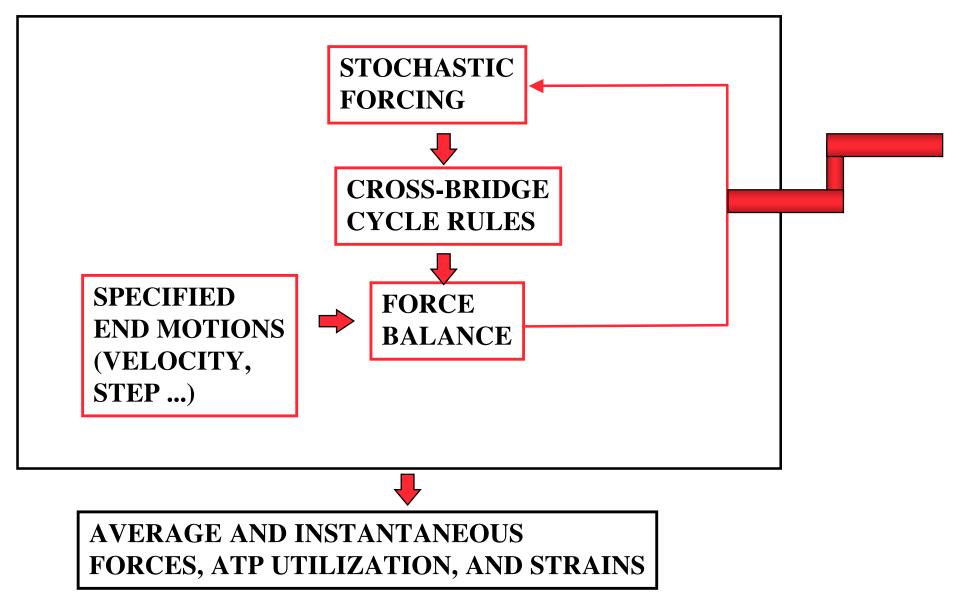


 $F = -k (l - l_o)$

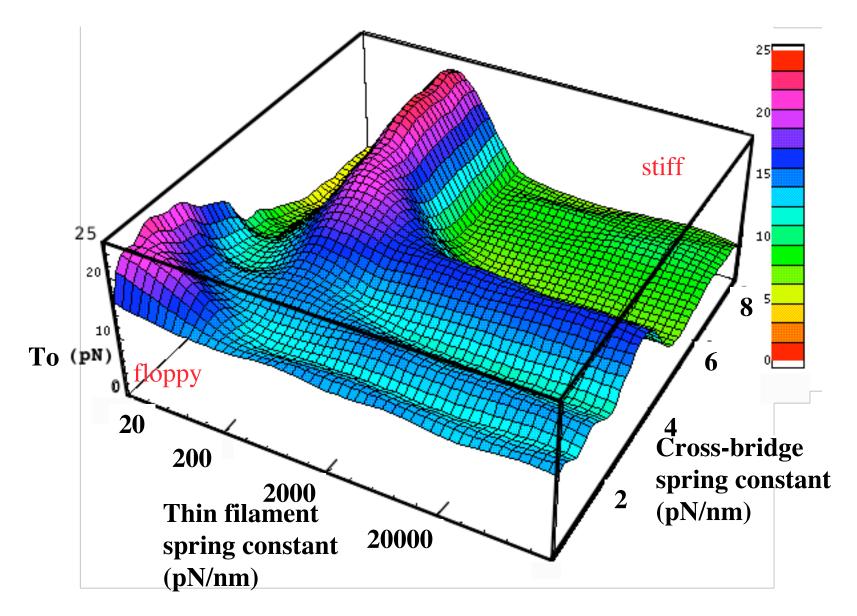


Computational Approach: Monte-Carlo Simulation

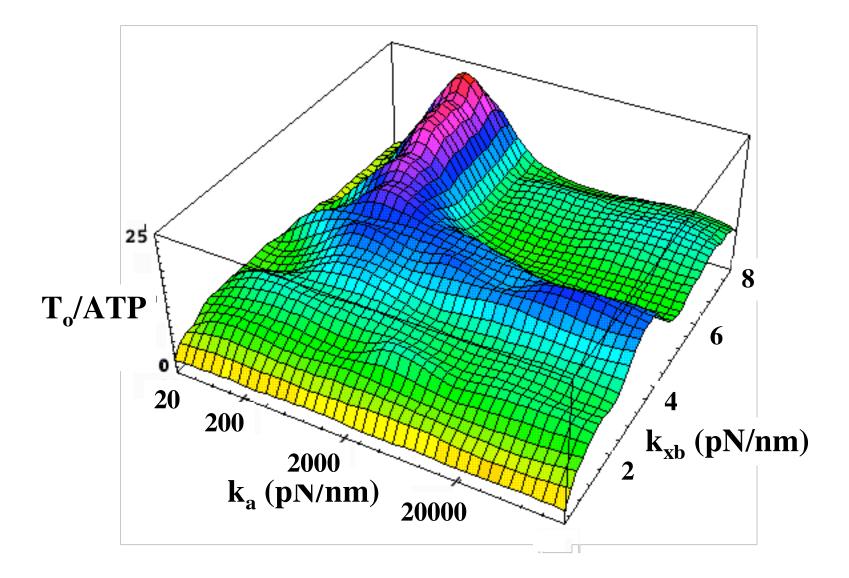
All cross-bridges initially unbound (state 1)



MECHANICAL TUNING EMERGES



"EFFICIENCY" CAN BE TUNED TOO



*Lecture 3: Muscle and physiological mechanics**

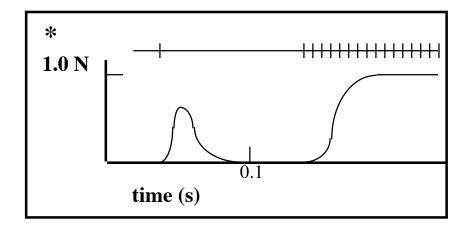
•Recap

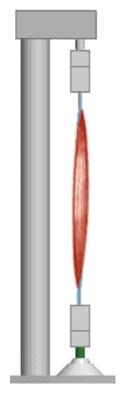
- •Isometric versus isotonic experiments
- •Relations between force and time, length and velocity
- •The work-loop method: physiologically relevant mechanics.

*Read Chapter 1 "Machinery of Movement" on CD

What are the determinants of force ?

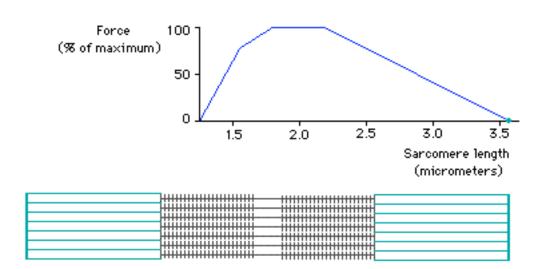


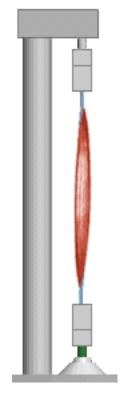




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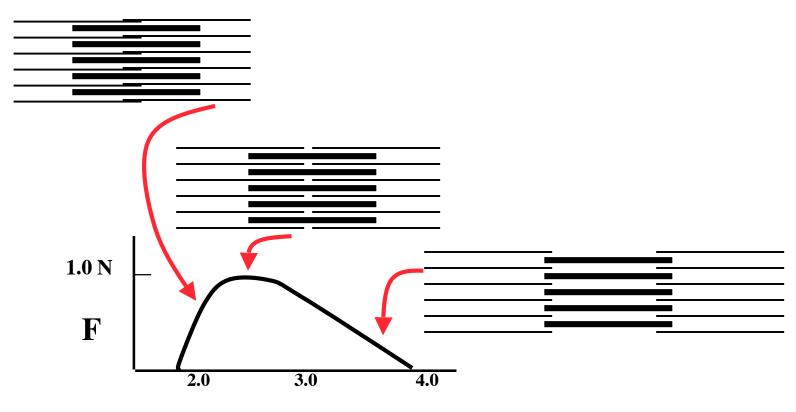
Length of muscle





Gordon, Huxley and Julian 1966

Reminders about Length Tension curves

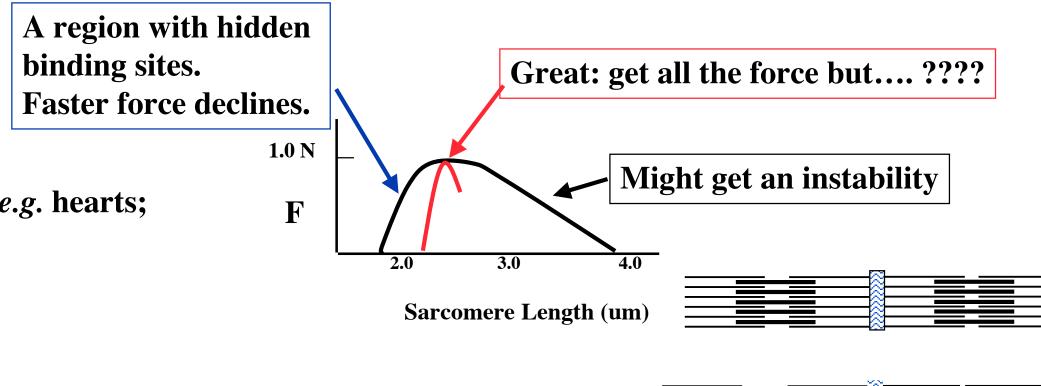


Sarcomere Length (um) But where do animals normally operate?

Who cares?

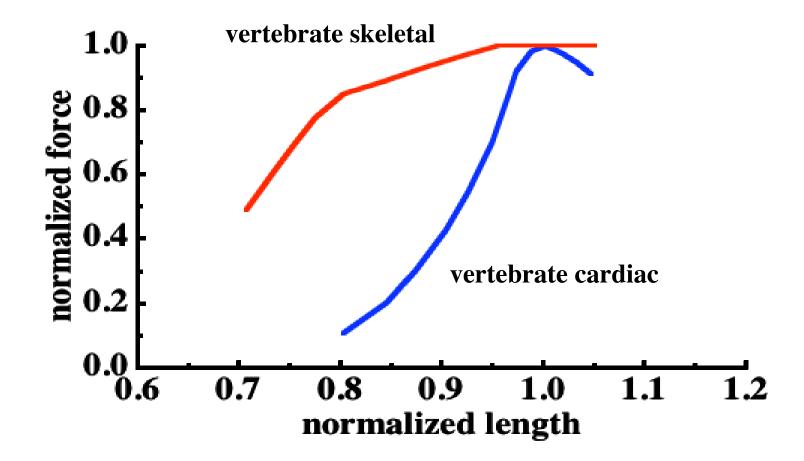
What are the mechanical consequences of dynamic length changes over different parts of this business?

Reminders about Length Tension curves





Length - Tension relationships of skeletal and cardiac muscle differ considerably



Regulation of Cardiac Output

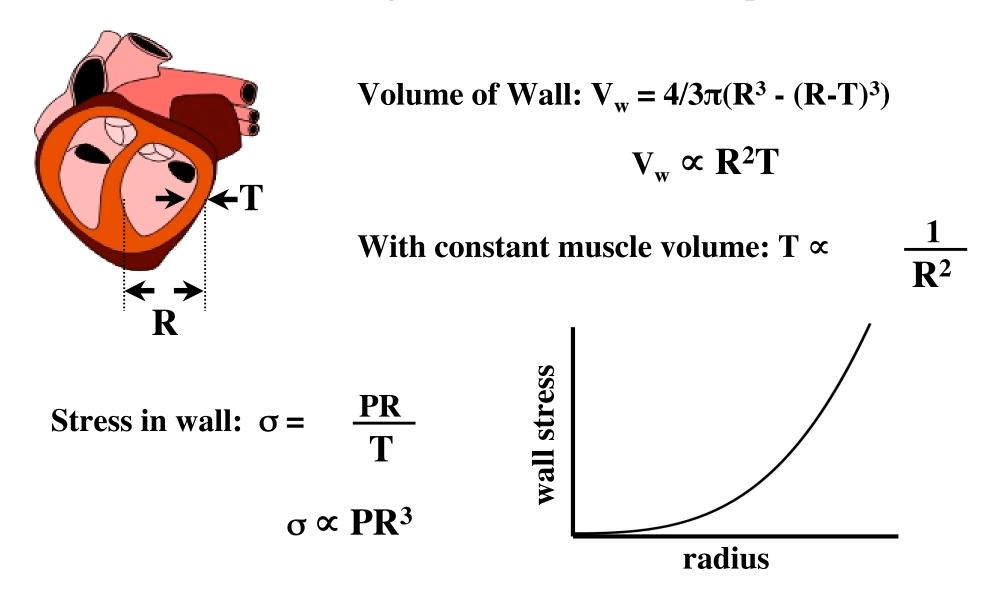


Frank-Starling Law:

Stroke volume∝ End-diastolic volume

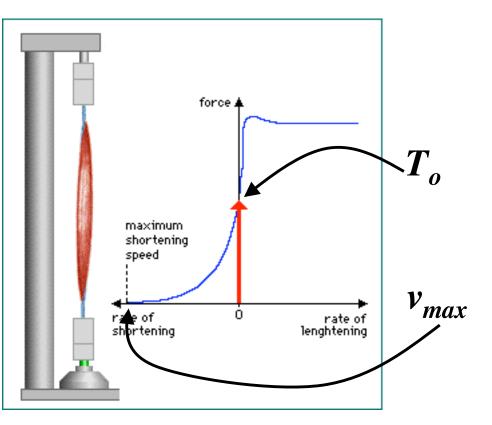
(increased cardiac output due to increased ventricular filling)

Frank-Starling Law: Mechanical Consequences



What are the determinants of force ?

Speed of muscle shortening

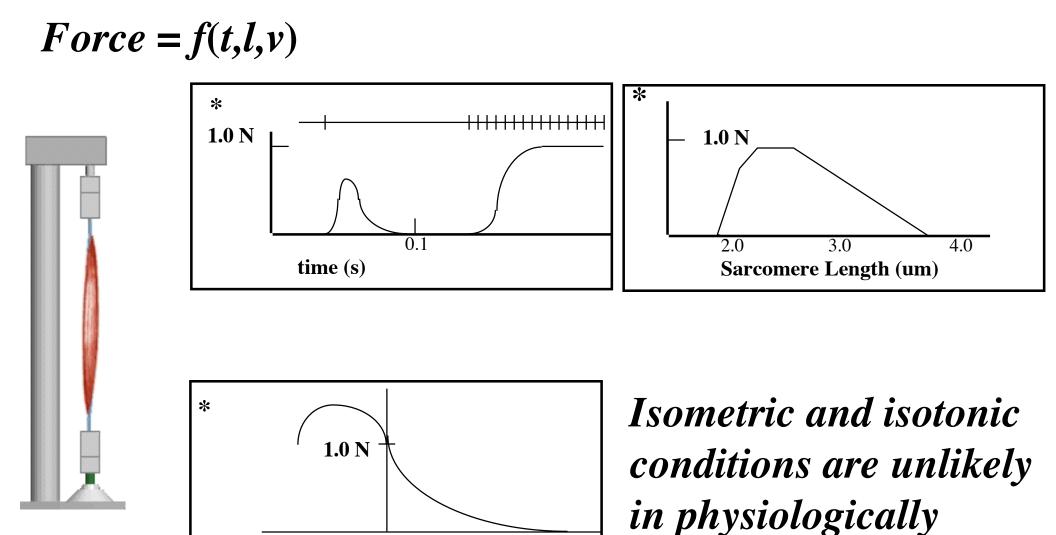


Hill's equation

$$T = \frac{b T_o - a v}{v + b}$$

$$b/v_{max} \approx a/T_o \approx 1/4$$

$$\frac{T}{T_o} = \frac{v_{max} - v}{4v + v_{max/4}}$$



-0.5

0.0

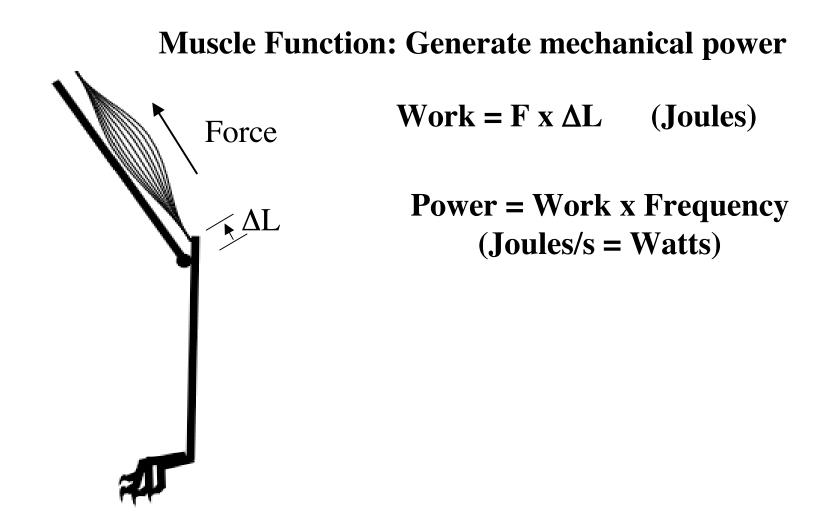
ShorteningVelocity (sarcomere/s)

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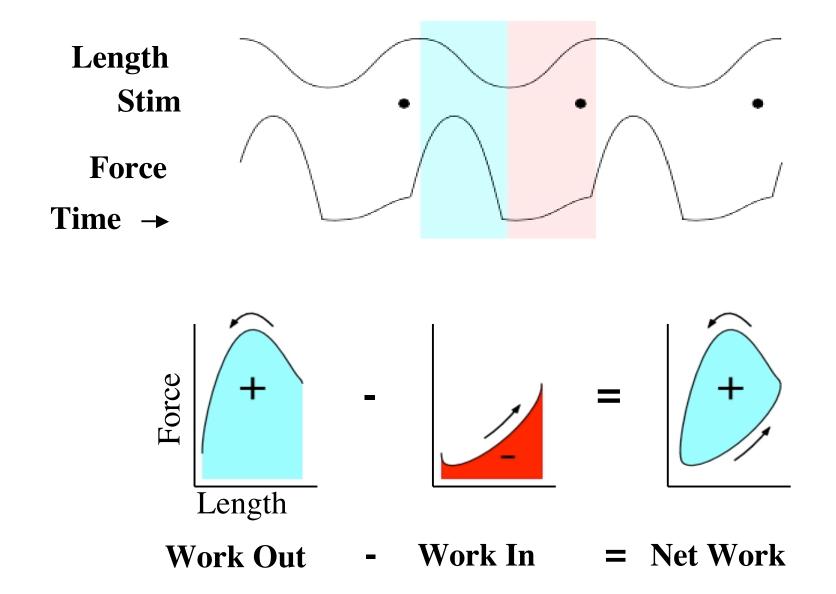
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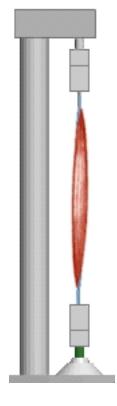
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relevant situations.



Workloop Methods

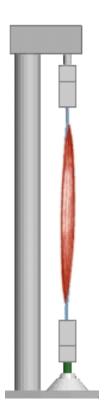


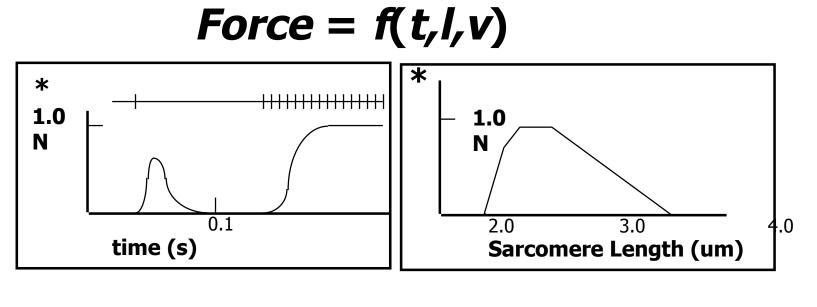


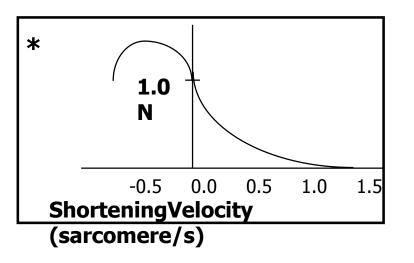
Lecture 4: Terrestrial Locomotion I Simple Analyses of Ballistic Movement.

Recap: projectiles and muscle

- Current approaches for analyzing terrestrial locomotion.
- Gaits and patterns of limb motion
- Ballistic walking and the inverted pendulum

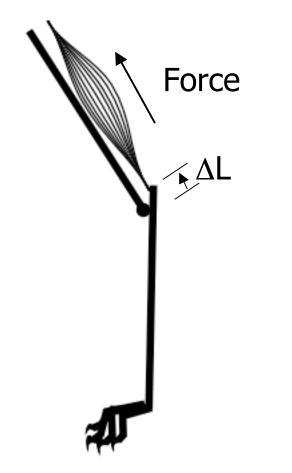






Isometric and isotonic conditions are unlikely in physiologically relevant situations.

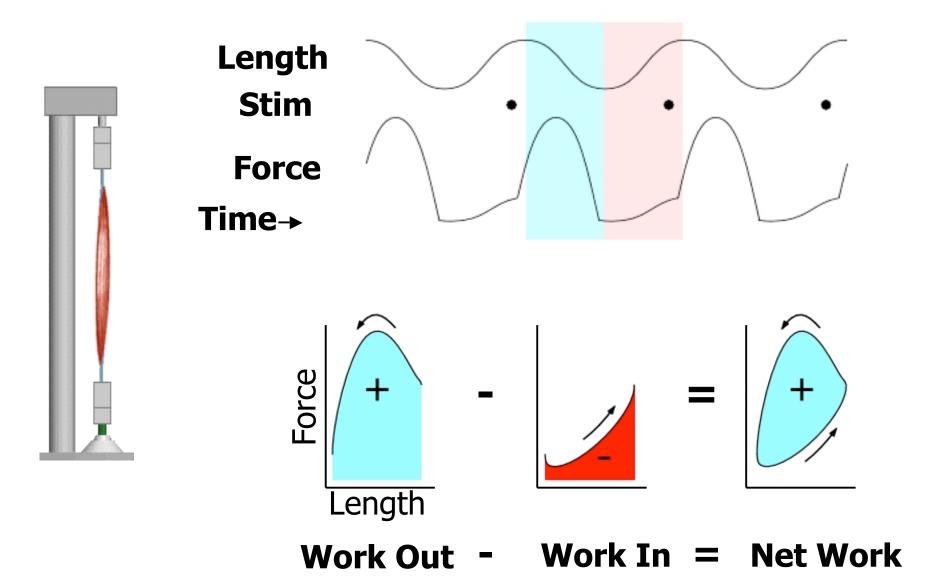
Muscle Function: Generate mechanical power



Work =
$$F x \Delta L$$
 (Joules)

Power = Work x Frequency (Joules/s = Watts)

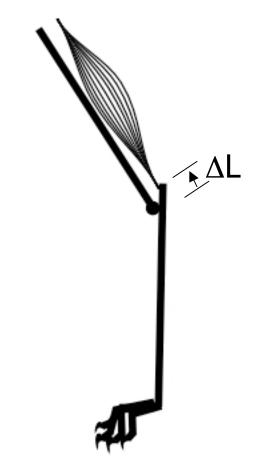
Workloop Methods



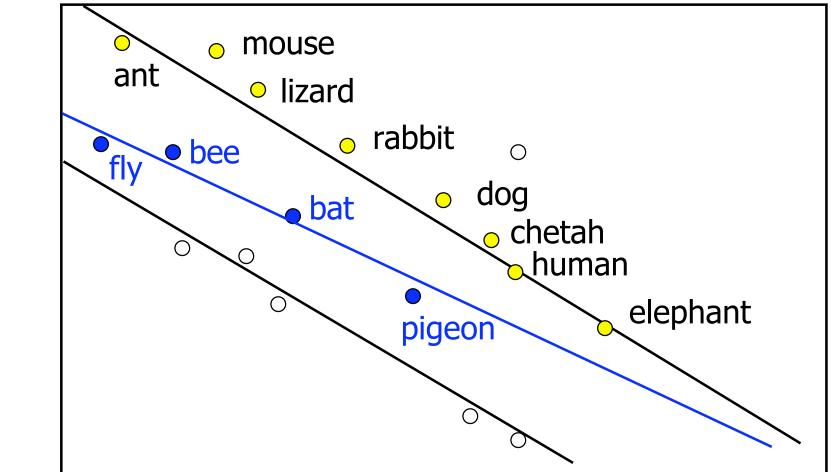
What are the determinants of force ?

Run the "work loop" program on page 21 in the chapter on muscle in the CD

 $Md^2x/dt^2 =$ F(x,dx/dt,t)



Cost of transport declines with body size



Log Body Mass (kg)

Log Cost of Transport

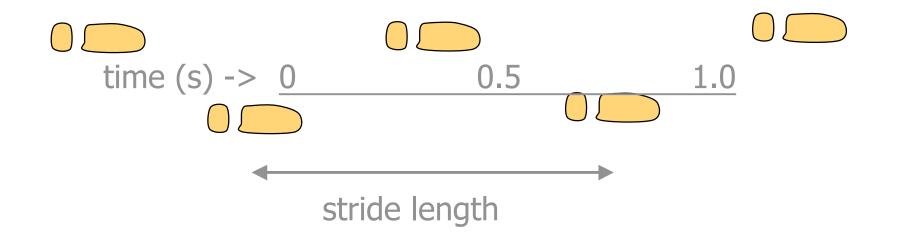
Movement Biomechanics

Patterns in time and space (Kinematics)

Forces

Dynamics (control and stability)

Energy

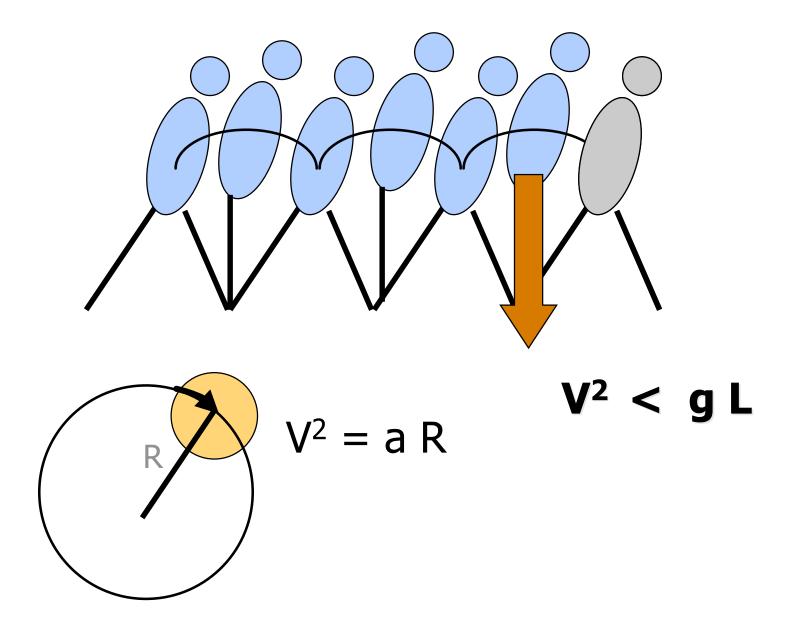




GAITS

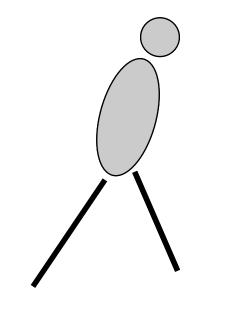
- stride length: distance between footfalls of the same foot
- stride frequency: number of footfalls per time
- duty factor: fraction of stride time that a foot is on the ground (human walking = 0.5
 - 0.6, running = 0.35). Gaits with duty factors less than 0.5 imply airborne phases.
- relative phase: time a foot is set down as a fraction of the stride time.

Simple Quantifiers of Movement on Land



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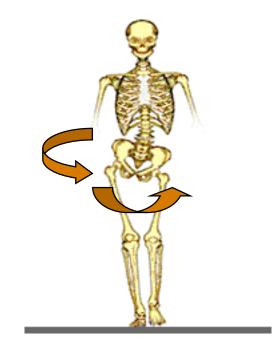
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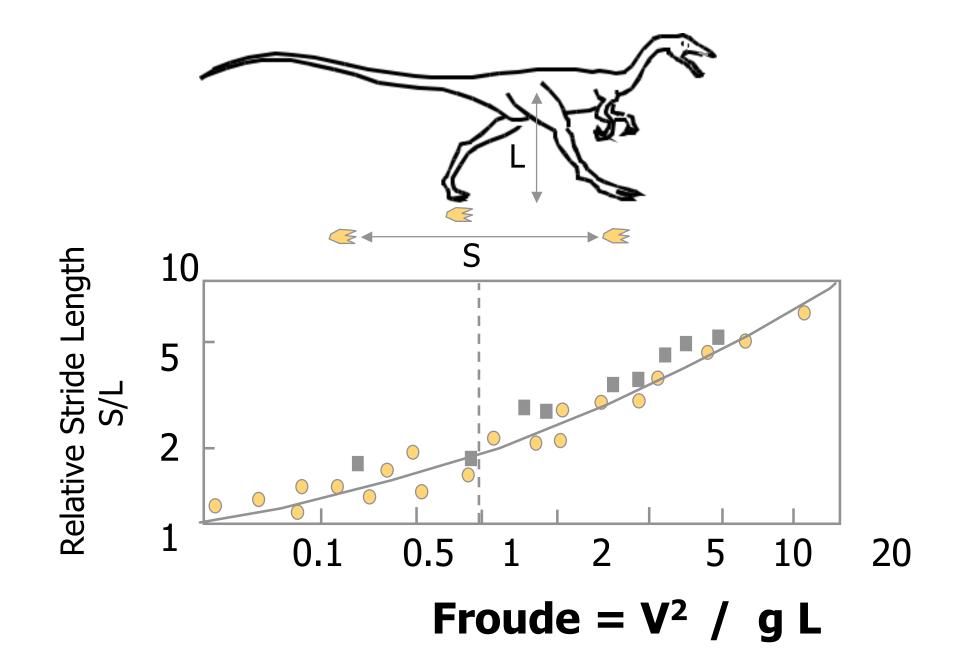
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Modifiers of the radius of curvature

Lumbar flexion Pelvic rotation Pelvic tilt



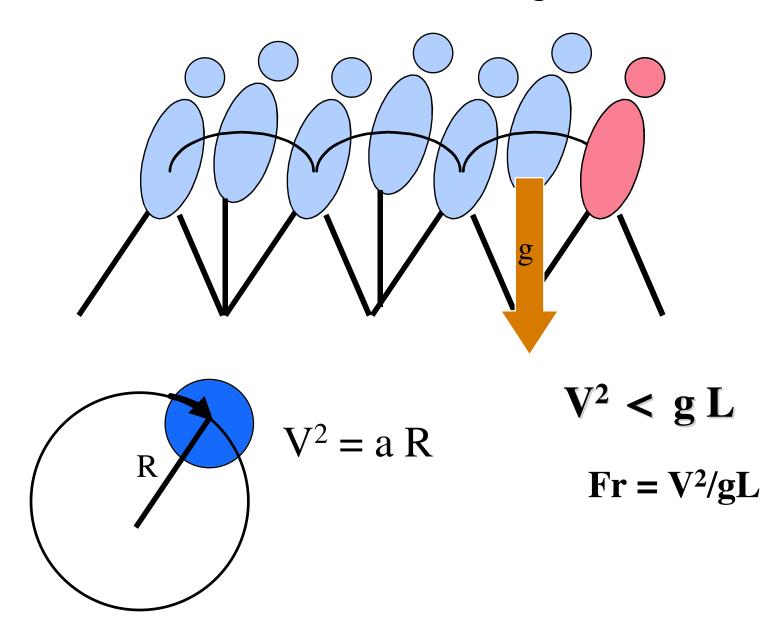


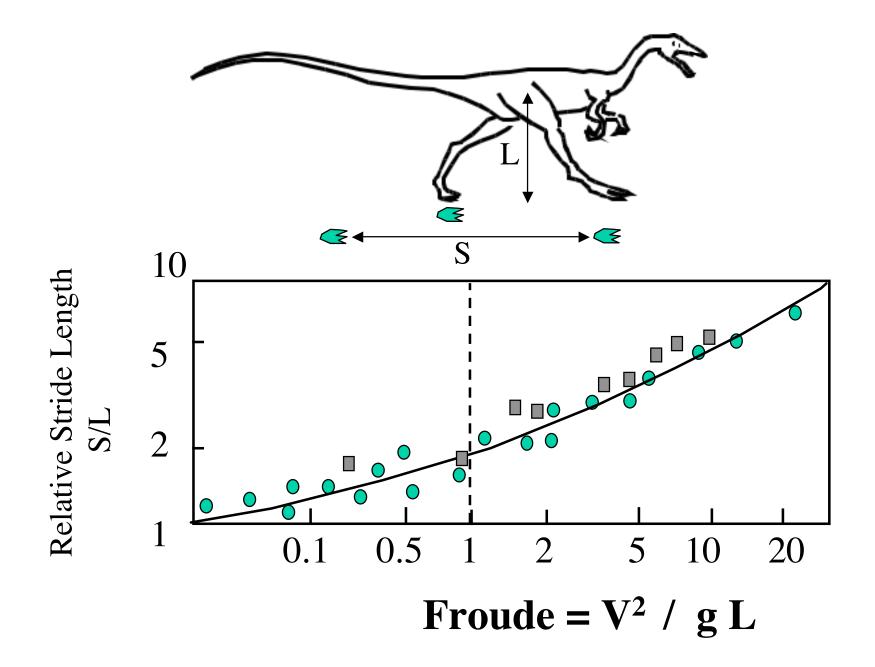
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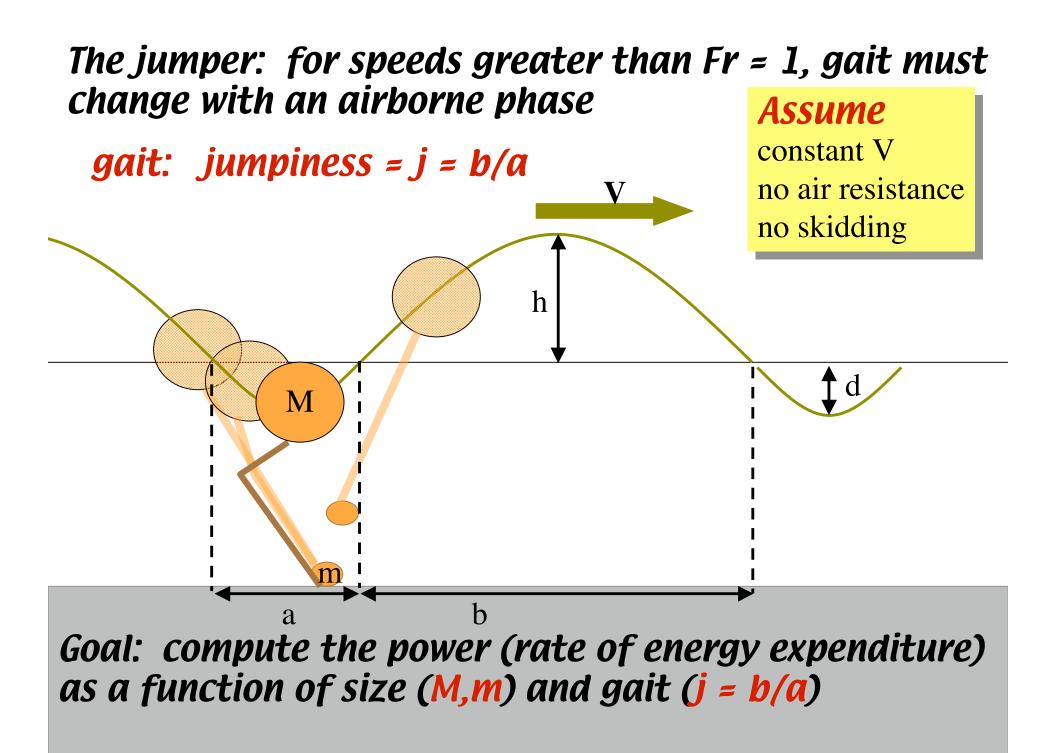
Lecture 5. Terrestrial locomotion II: mechanical analysis of gaits and jumpiness.

- Recap: gaits and ballistic walking
- When the Froude Number (V²/g L) is greater than 1, simple ballistic walking is no longer possible.
- The jumper model accounts for an airborne phase of movement.
- Calculating optimal gaits for energy expenditure

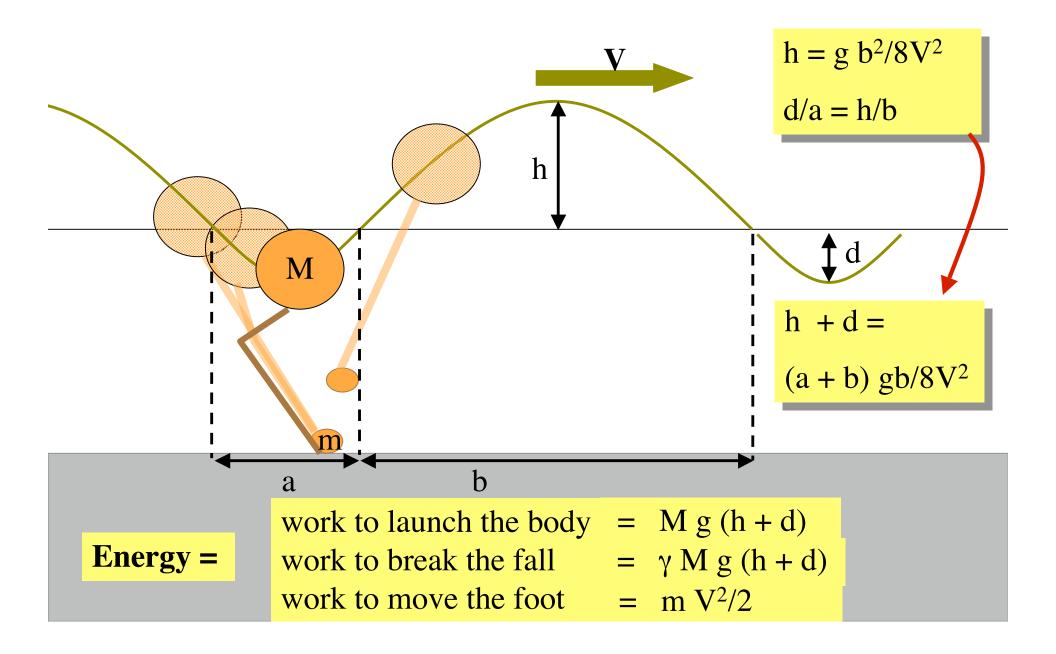
Simple Quantifiers of Movement on Land *"Ballistic Waking"*



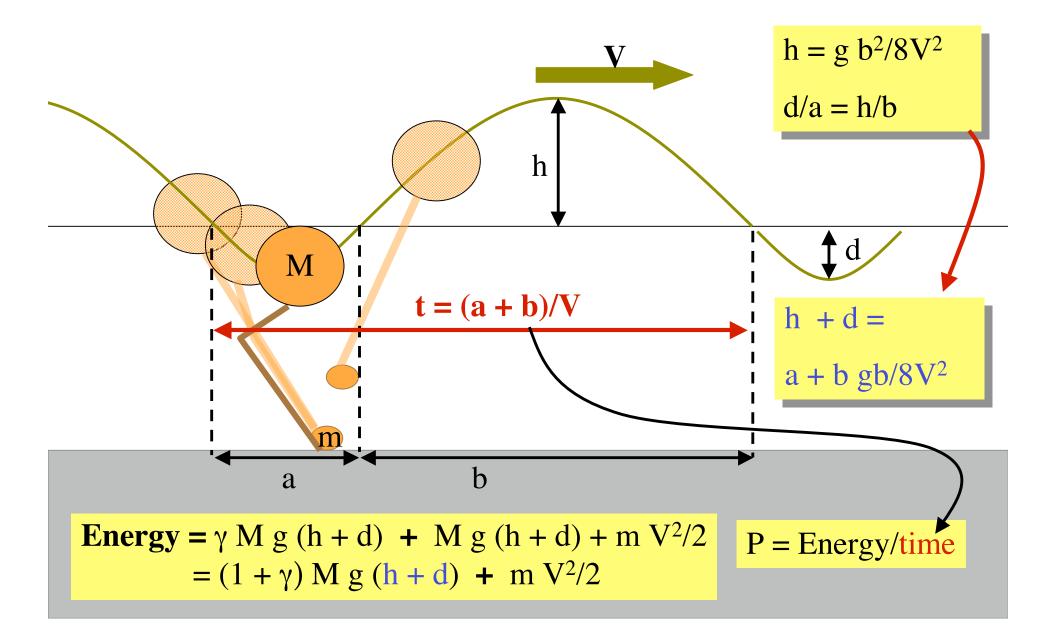




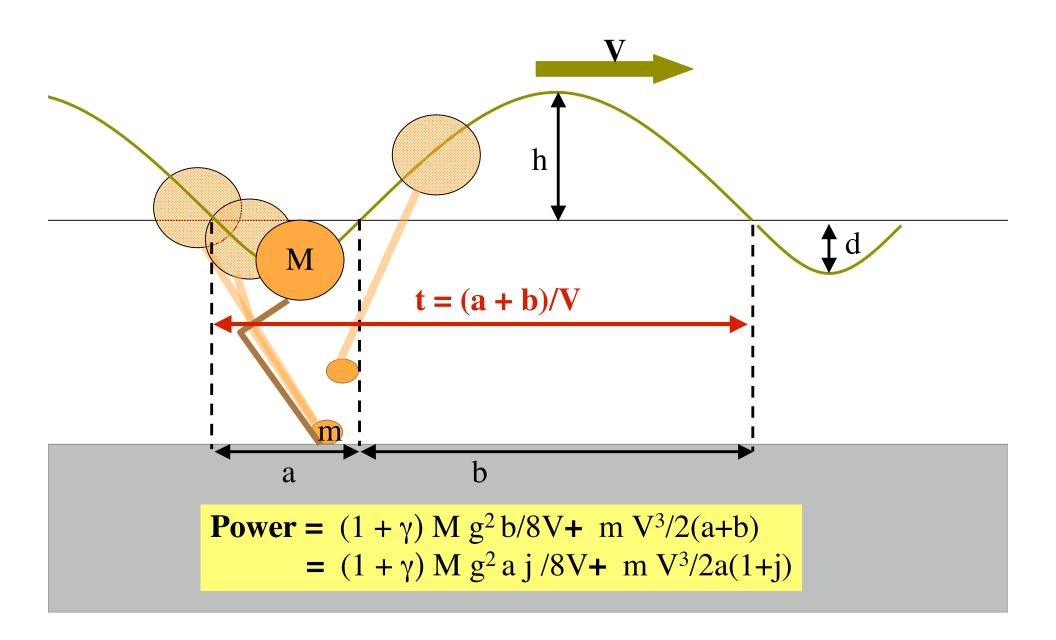
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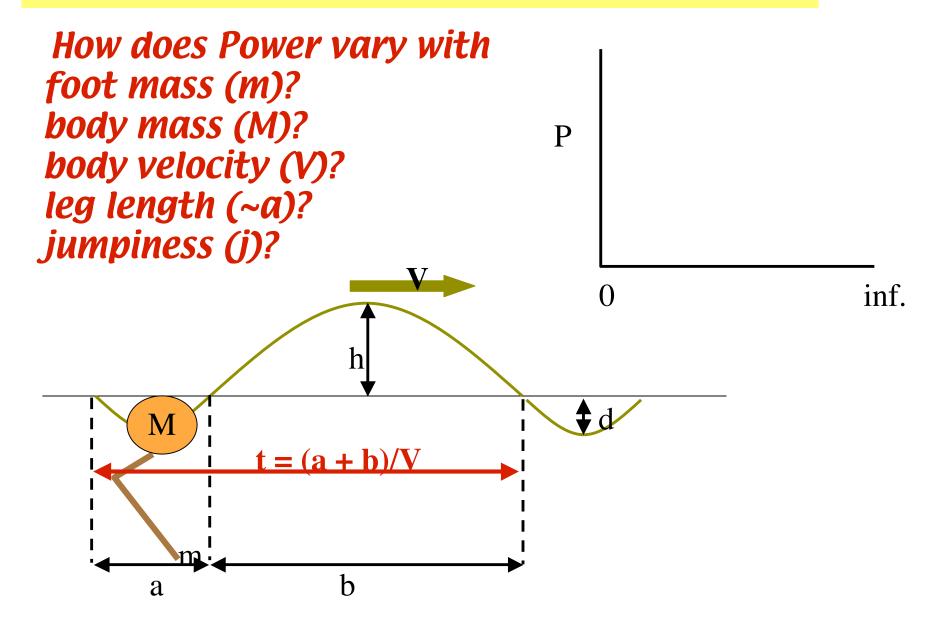
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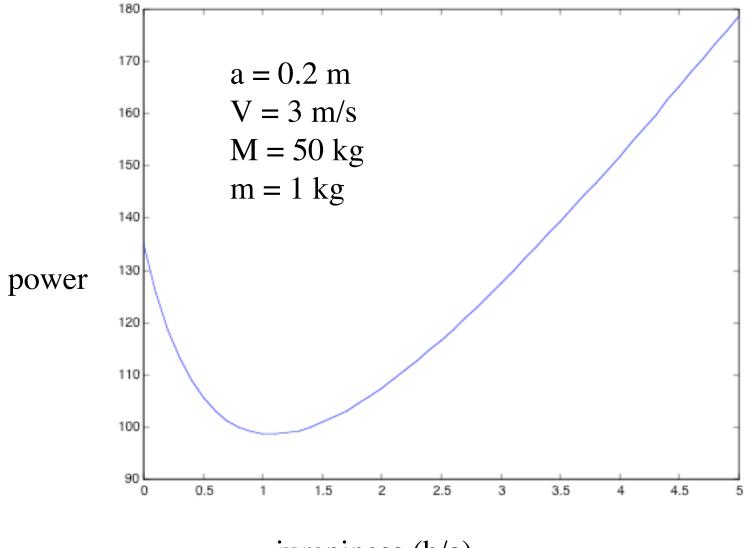


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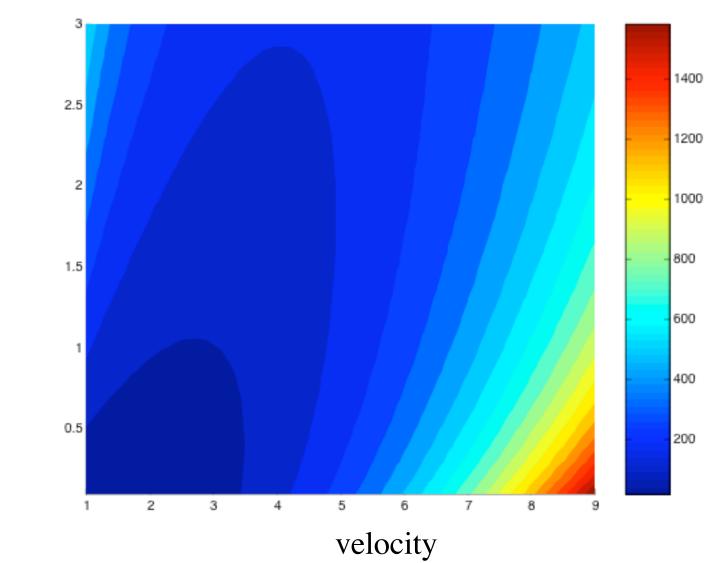


Power = $(1 + \gamma) M g^2 b/8V + m V^3/2(a+b)$ = $(1 + \gamma) M g^2 a j /8V + m V^3/2a(1+j)$





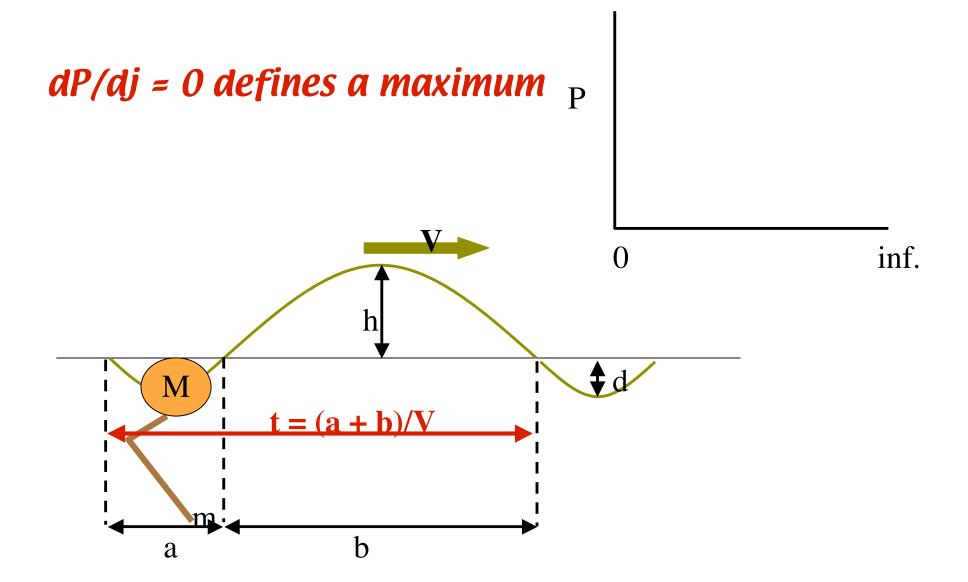
jumpiness (b/a)



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Power

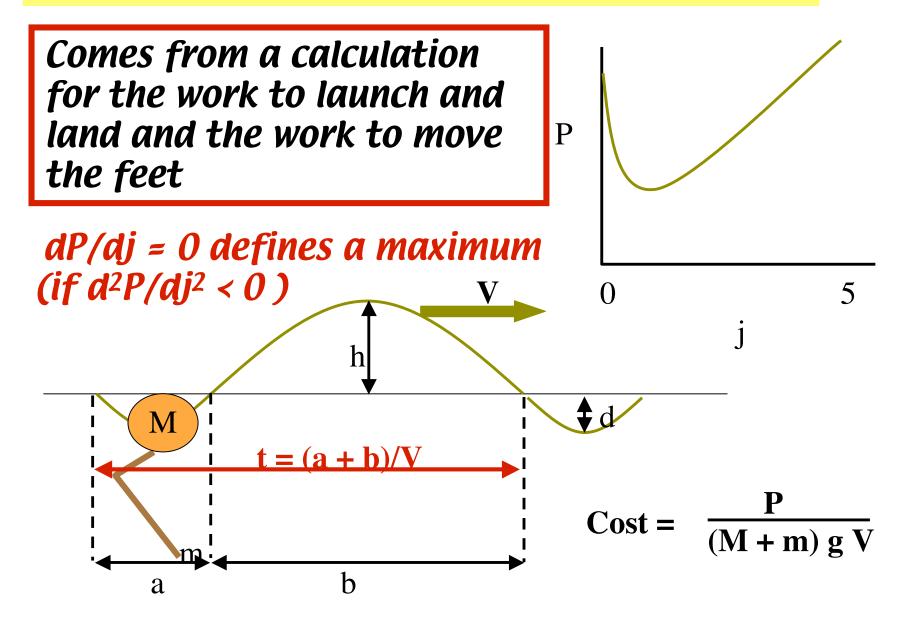
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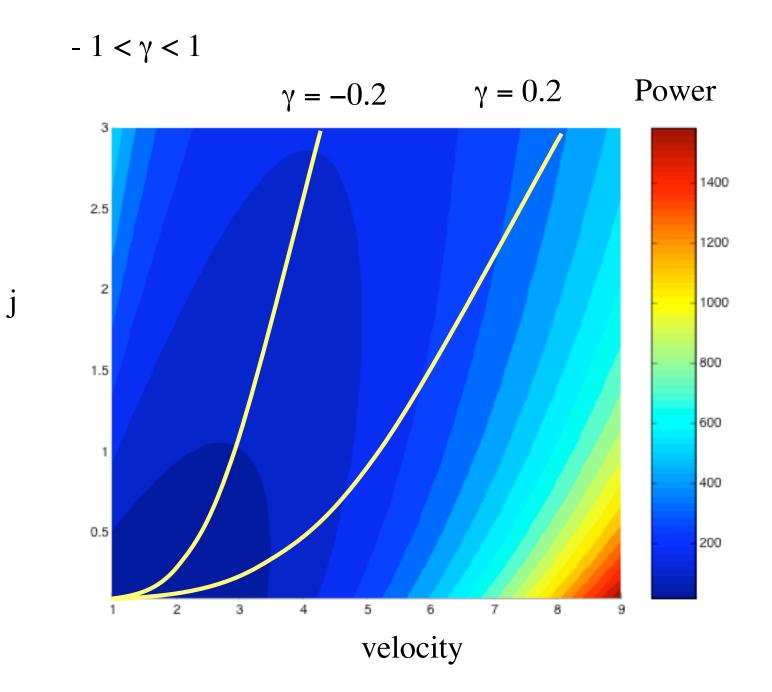


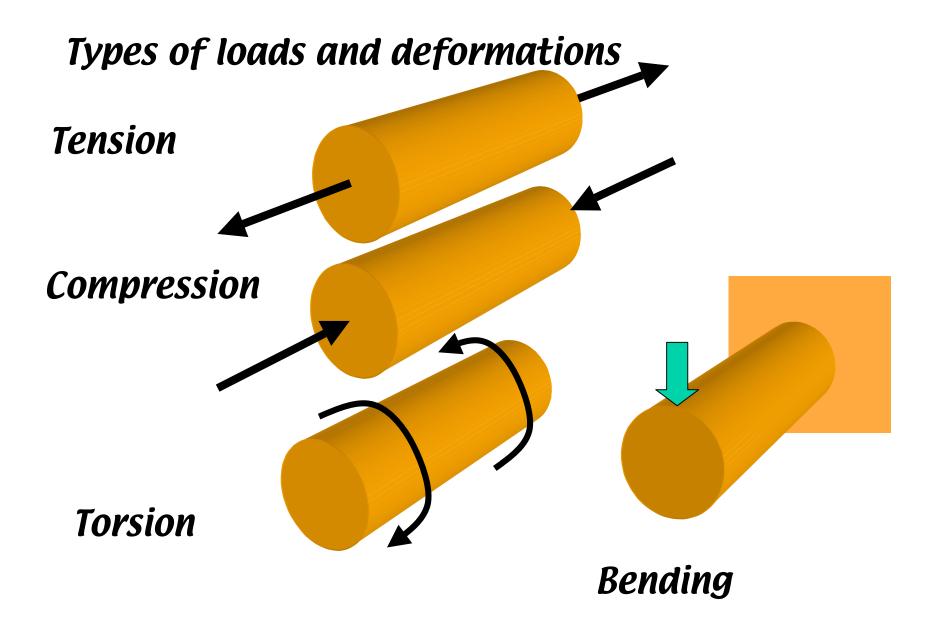
Biology 427 Biomechanics Lecture 6. Everyday stress and strain and the stiffness of biological materials I: terms, definitions and other basics

- •Recap optimization of gaits for minimum power out put and cost of transport.
- •Loads and deformations for basic stress and strain
- •Stiffness: a measure of how materials respond to loads
- •Strength

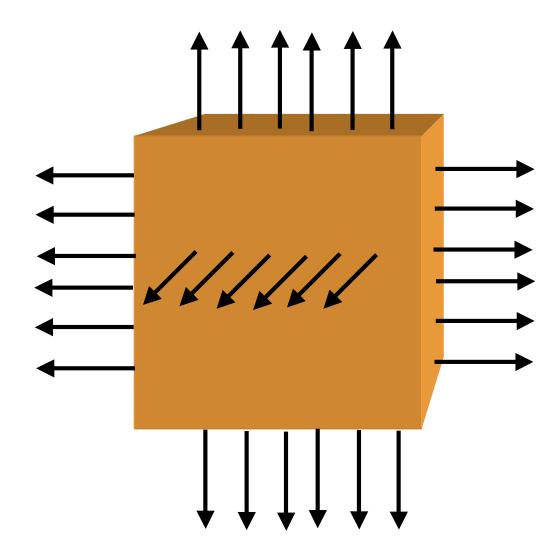
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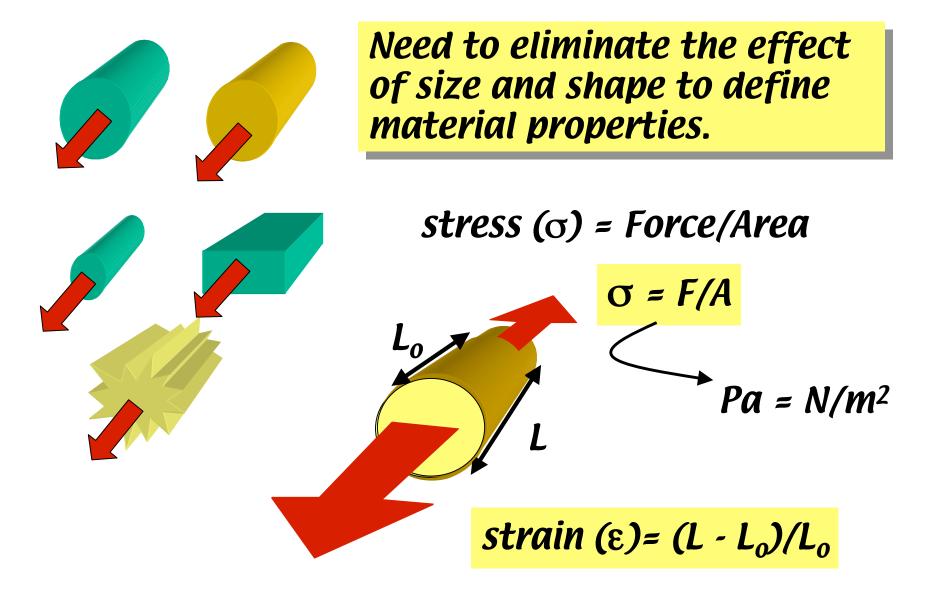


Types of loads and deformations

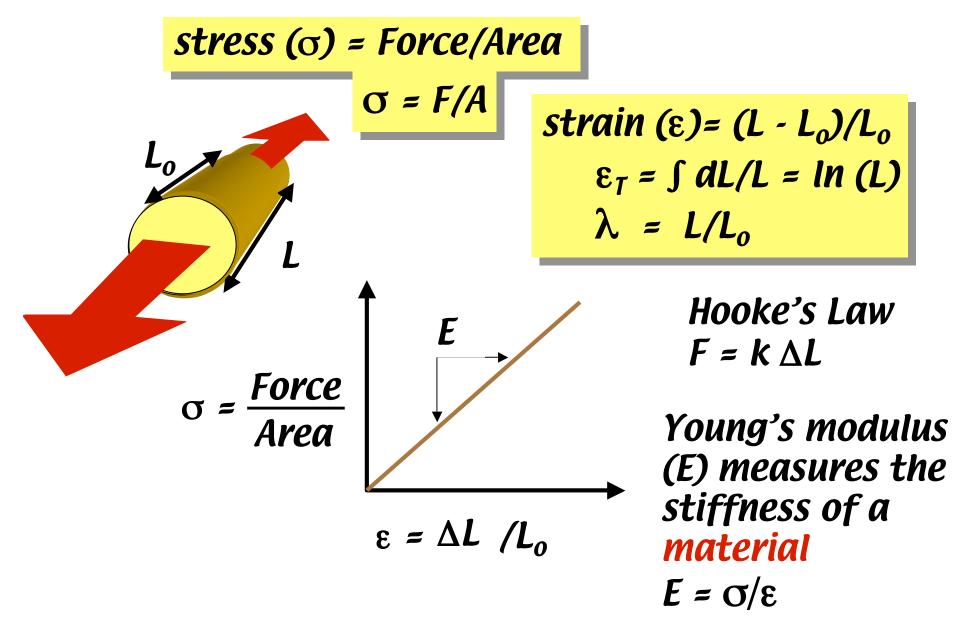


uniaxial loads biaxial loads triaxial loads

Material vs. structural properties



Material vs. structural properties

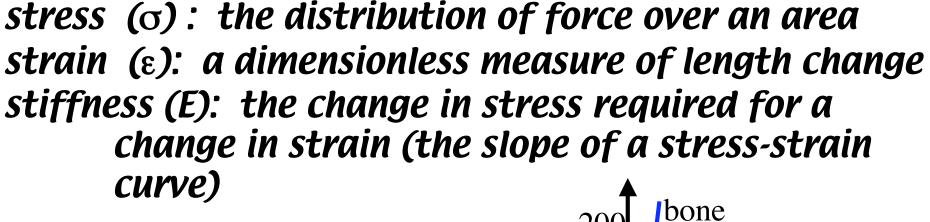


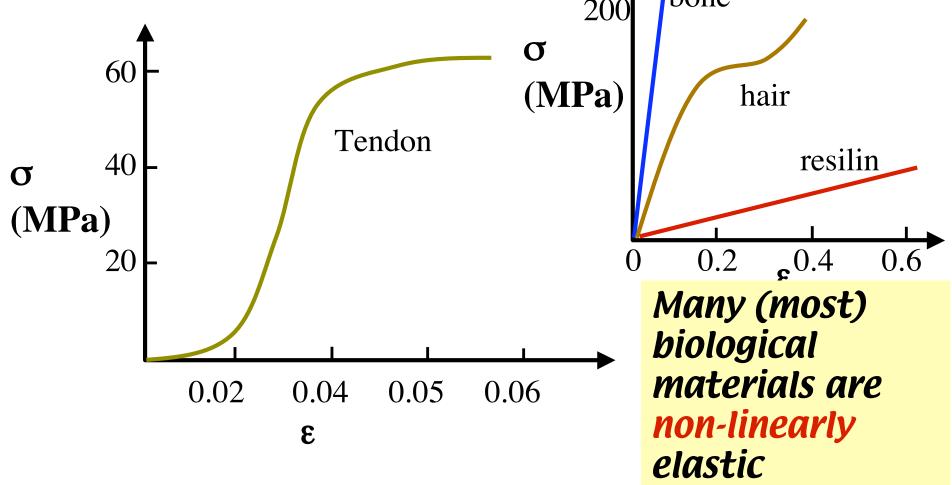
stress (σ): the distribution of force over an area strain (ϵ): a dimensionless measure of length change stiffness (E): the change in stress required for a change in strain (the slope of a stress-strain curve)

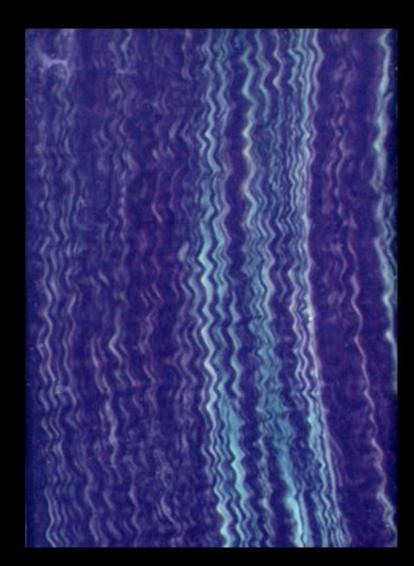
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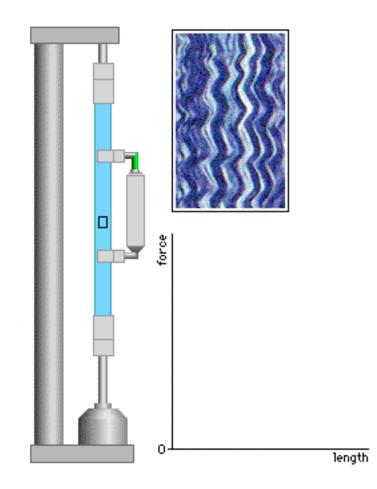
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Material Youngs	Modulus (Mpa)	200 bone
Locust cuticle	0.2	σ
Rubber	7	(MPa) hair
Human cartilage	24	
Human tendon	600	
Cheap plastic	1,400	
Plywood	14,000	0 0.2 و0
Human bone	21,000	C
Glass	70,000	
Brass	120,000	
Iron	210,000	
Diamond	1,200,000	



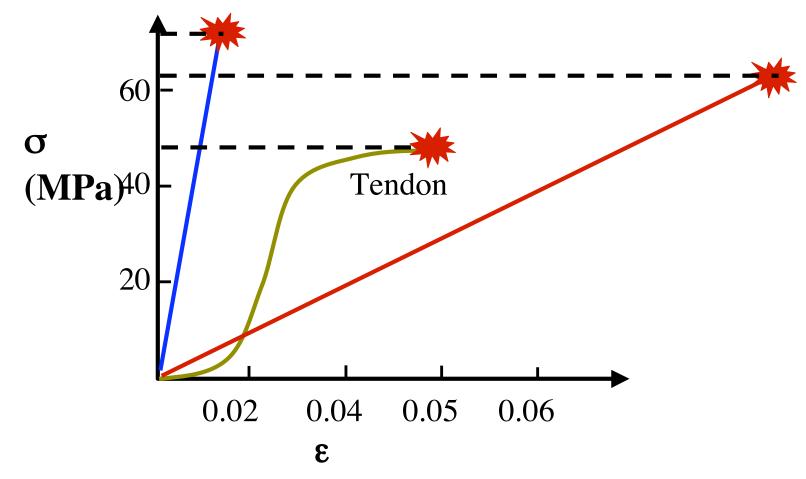




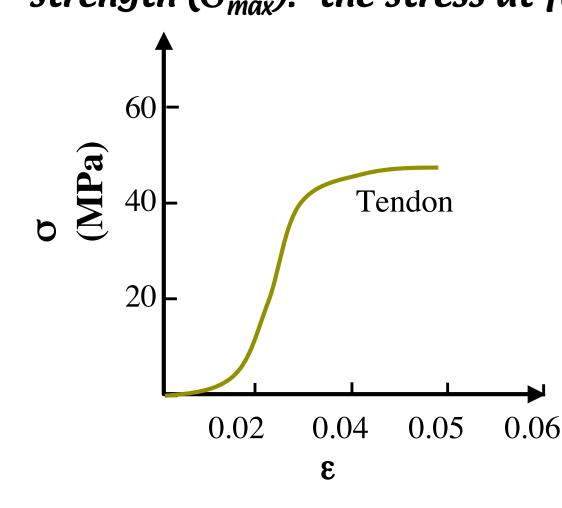


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material stren	ngth (MPa)
arterial wall	2
human cartilag	ge 3
cement	4
cheap aluminu	m 70
glass	100
human tendon	100
human bone	110
human hair	200
spider silk	350
titanium	1000
steel wire	3000

Biology 427 Lecture 7. Strength and toughness of biological materials

Recap stress, strain, stiffness and strength of biomaterials: measures of material properties

Strength revisited and the limits to the size of terrestrial vertebrates

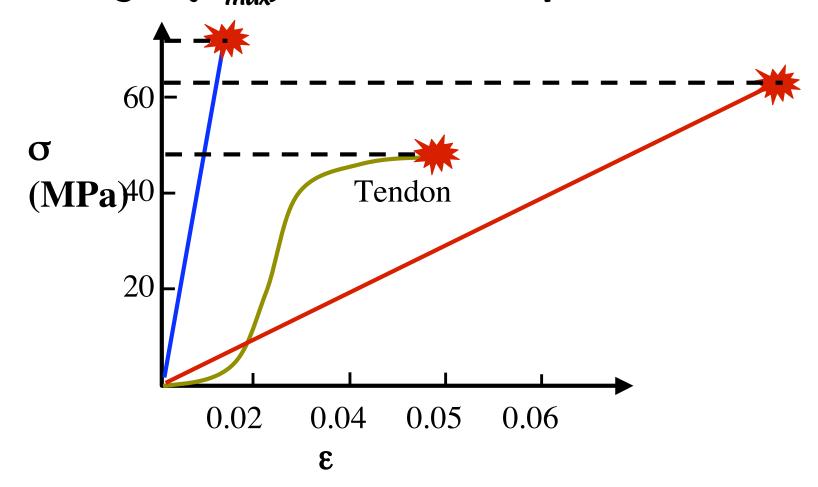
Energy relations in biological materials: toughness and resilience

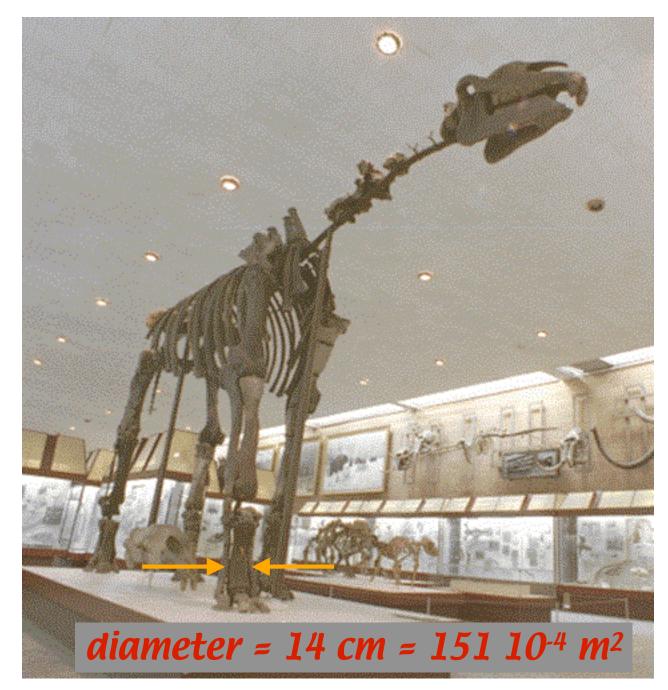
Plastic deformations: an introduction to time-dependent material properties.

stress (σ): the distribution of force over an area strain (ε): a dimensionless measure of length change stiffness (Ε): the change in stress required for a change in strain (the slope of a stress-strain curve): a material property ↑

Material Youngs Modulus (Mpa)	
Locust cuticle 0.2 σ	
Rubber7(MPa)hair	
Human cartilage 24	esili
Human tendon 600	CSIII
Cheap plastic 1,400	·
Plywood $14,000$ 0 0.2 0.2	1
Human bone 21,000	
Glass 70,000	
Brass 120,000	
Iron 210,000	
Diamond 1,200,000	

stress (σ): the distribution of force over an area strain (ϵ): a dimensionless measure of length change stiffness (E): the change in stress required for a change in strain (the slope of a stress-strain curve) a material property strength (σ_{max}): the stress at failure

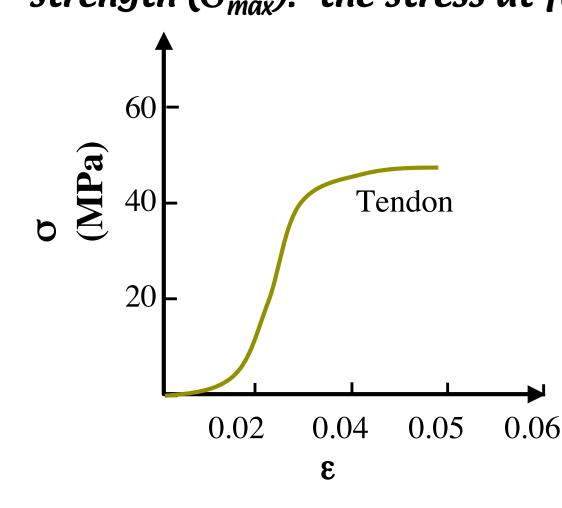




Baluchitherium: about 30 Tons Could the foot bones support its weight?

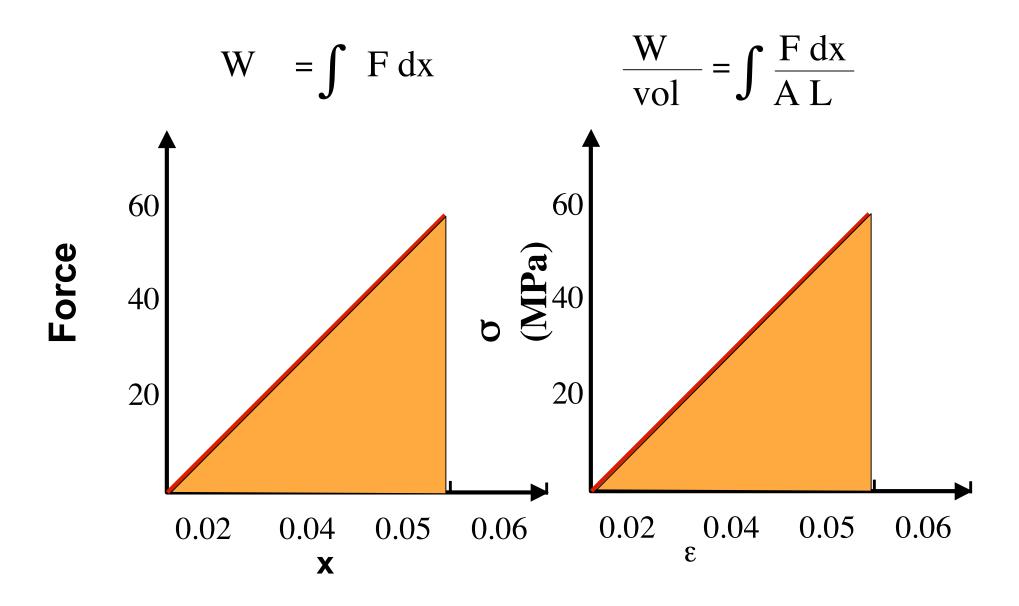
- $\sigma_{max} = 100 MPa$ $= F_{max}/Area$
- $F_{max} = 10^{8} * Area \\ = 151 \ 10^{4} \ N \\ m = 151 \ 10^{3} Kg \\ = 151 \ T$

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material stren	ngth (MPa)
arterial wall	2
human cartilag	ge 3
cement	4
cheap aluminu	m 70
glass	100
human tendon	100
human bone	110
human hair	200
spider silk	350
titanium	1000
steel wire	3000

Energy Basics for Materials



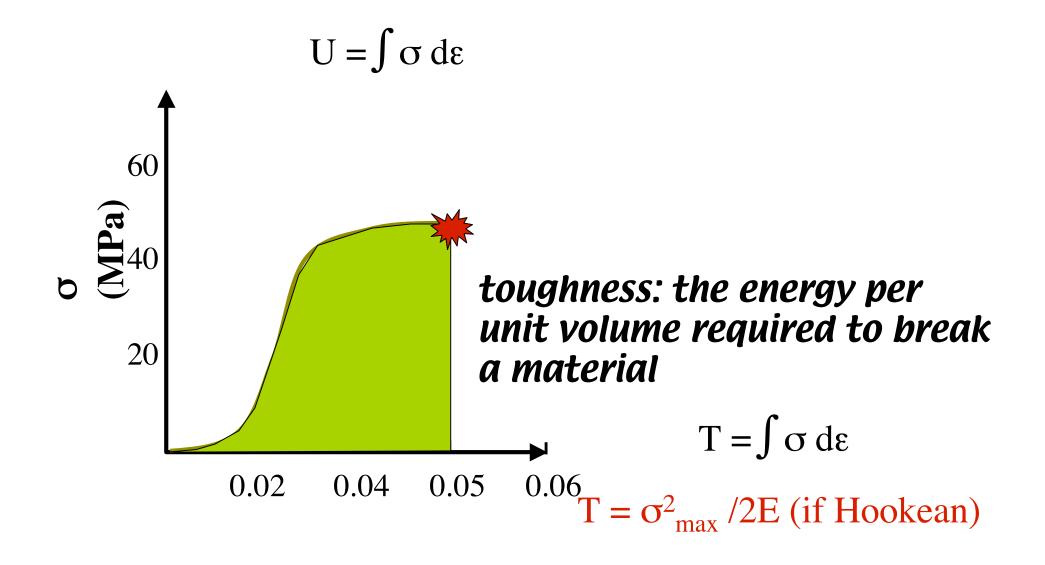
The energy imparted is the mechanical strain energy

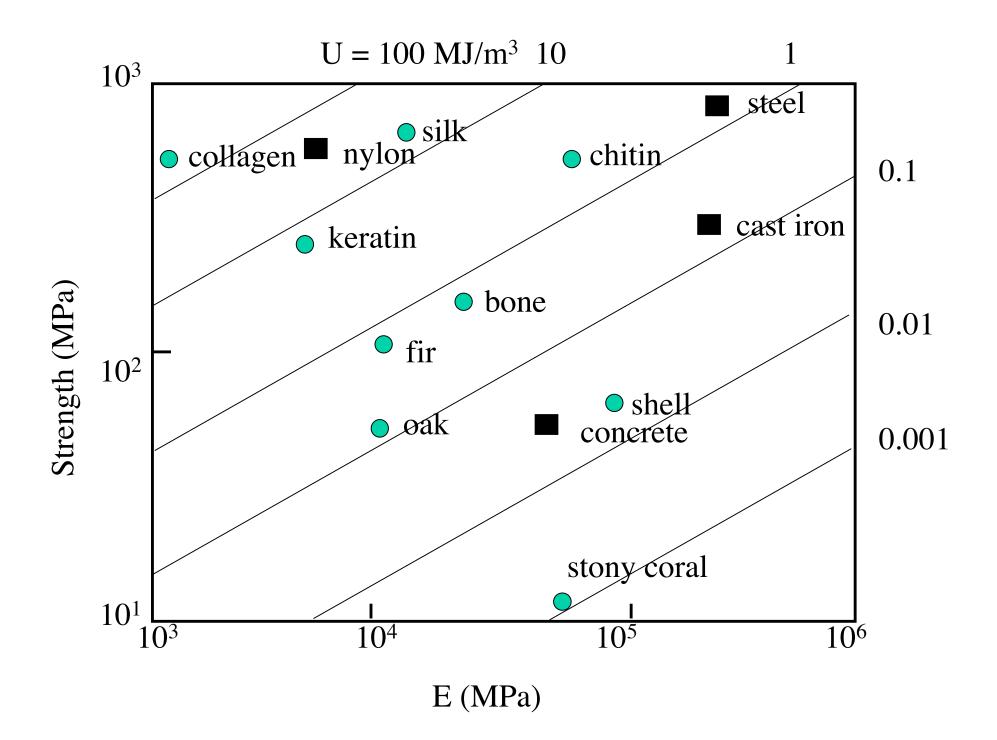
$$U = \int \sigma \, d\epsilon \qquad \qquad \frac{W}{vol} = \int \frac{F \, dx}{A \, L}$$

For Hookean materials
$$\sigma = E \epsilon$$

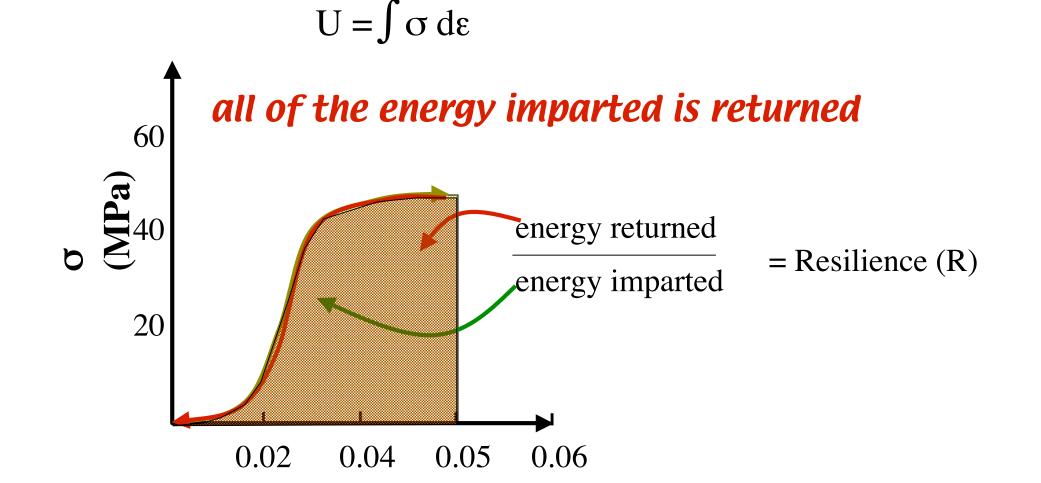
$$U = \int \sigma \, d\sigma / E$$
$$= E \epsilon^{2/2}$$
$$U = \int \sigma \, d\sigma / E$$
$$= \sigma^{2} / 2E$$

The energy imparted is the mechanical strain energy that can be returned or be so great as to break the material



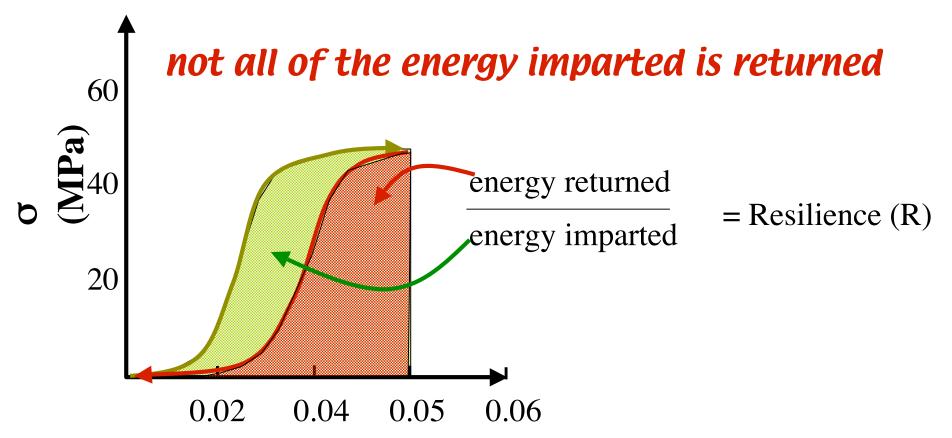


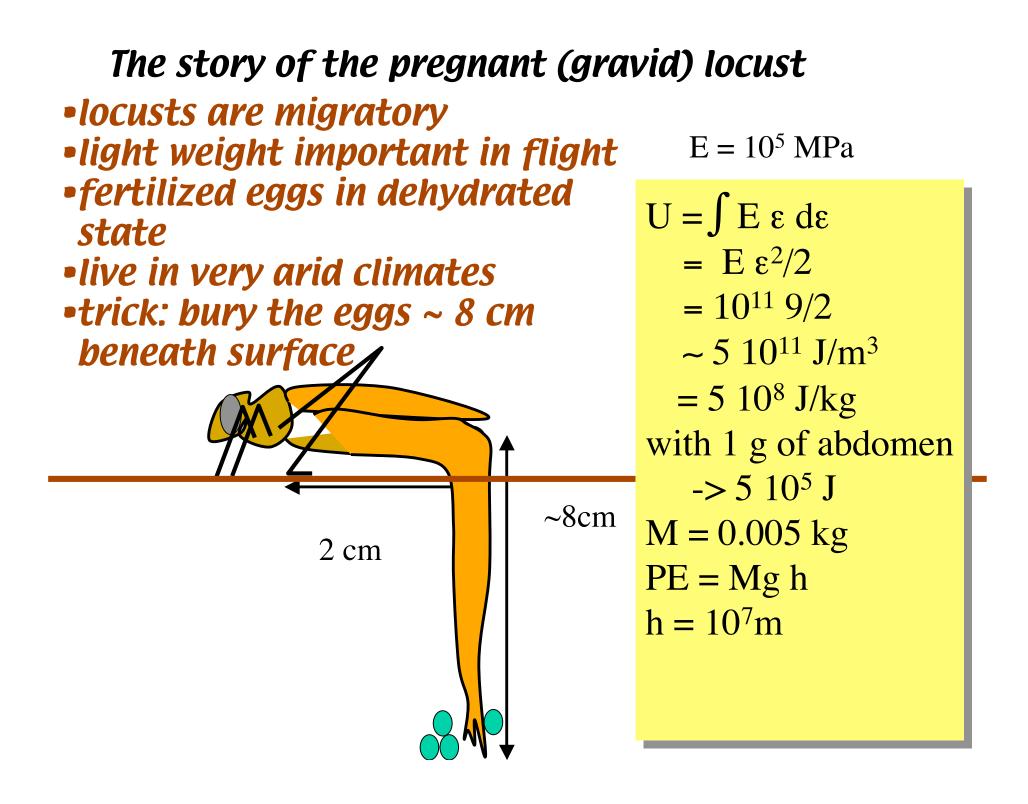
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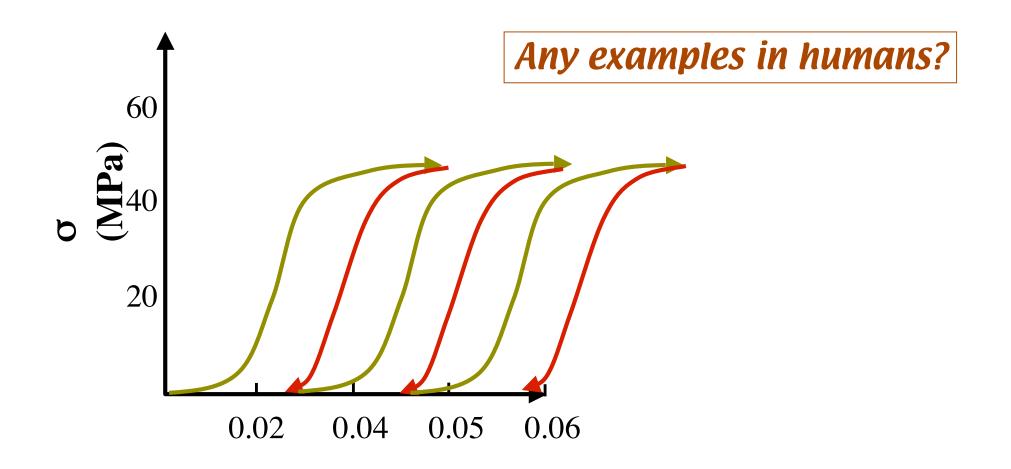
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 $U = \int \sigma d\epsilon$





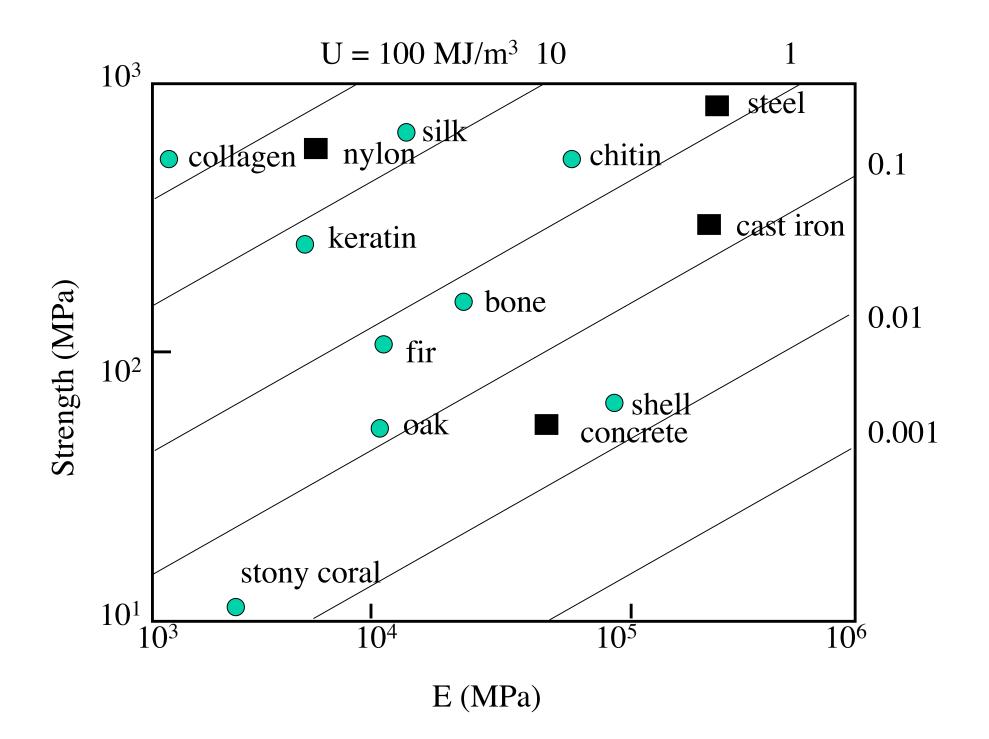
The energy imparted is the mechanical strain energy that can be returned or be so great as to break the material or be lost as a permanent deformation (plastic deformation)



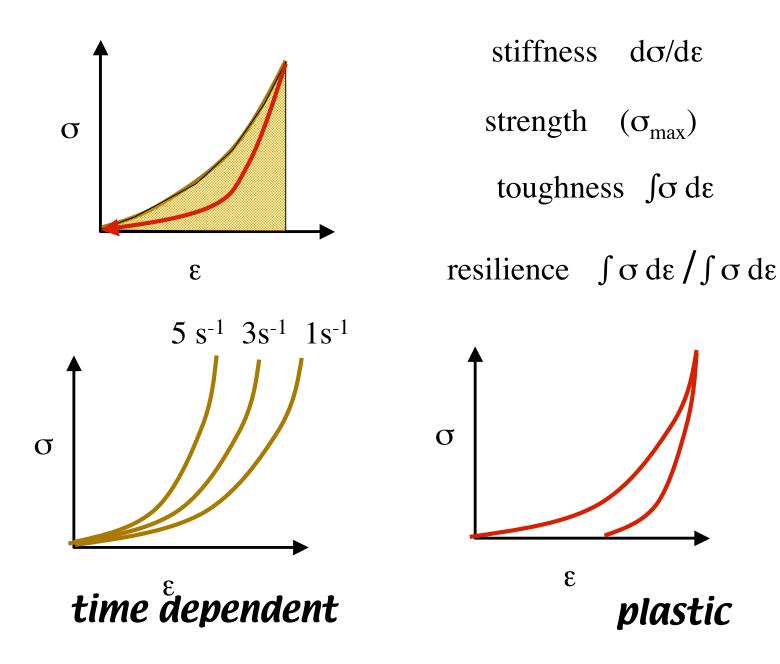
Biology 427 Biomechanics Lecture 8. Visco-elasticity: time-dependent properites of biological materials

- Recap of basic elasticity
- •Differentiating fluids (viscous) from solid (elastic) behaviors
- •Experimental results for some biomaterials
- •Elementary descriptions of visco-elastic material properties.

•Comments about term project 1

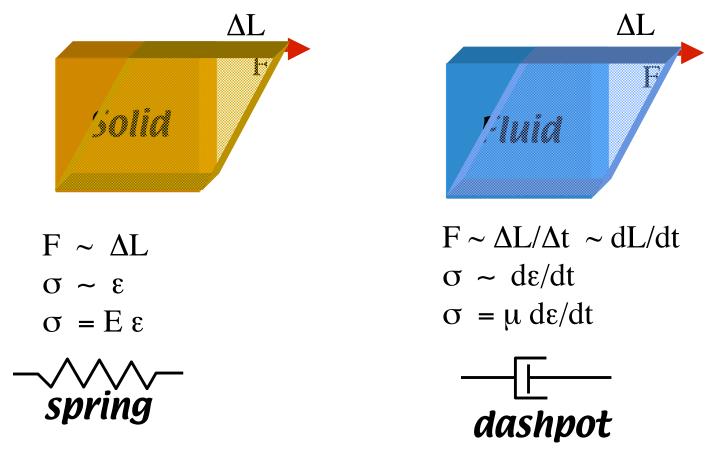


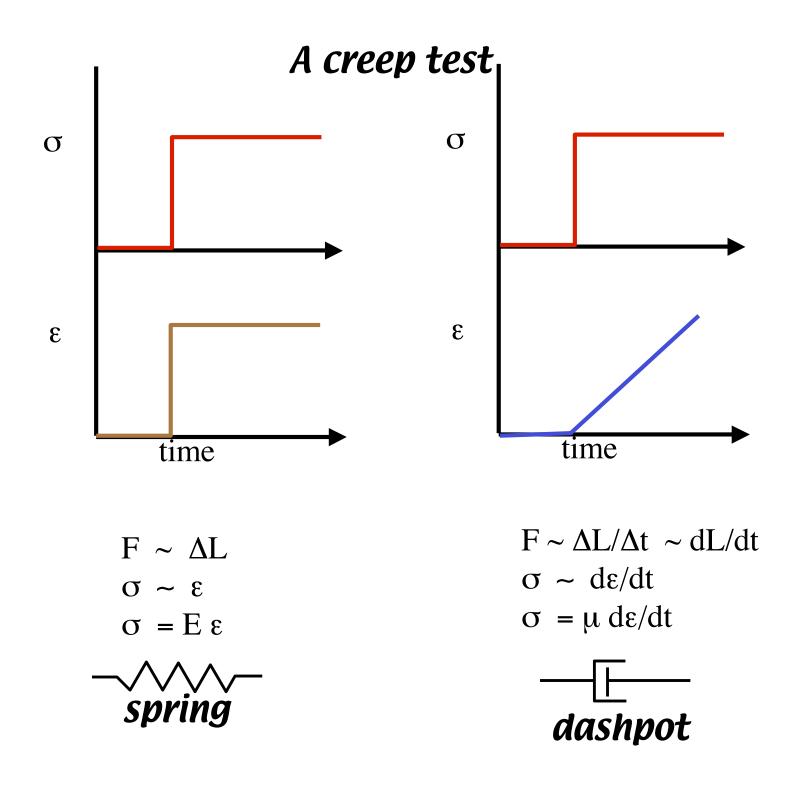
Recap Material Properties

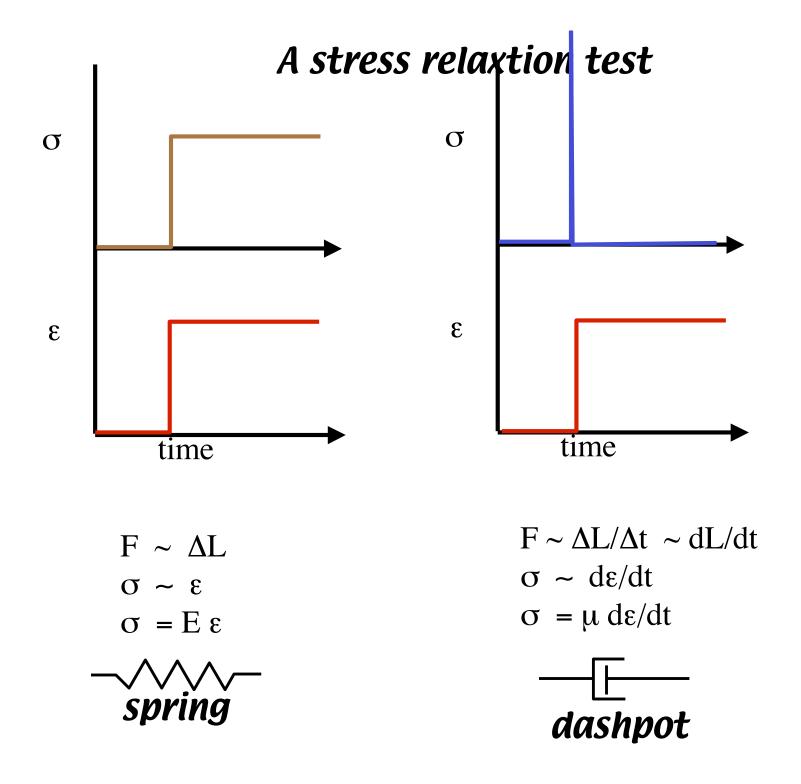


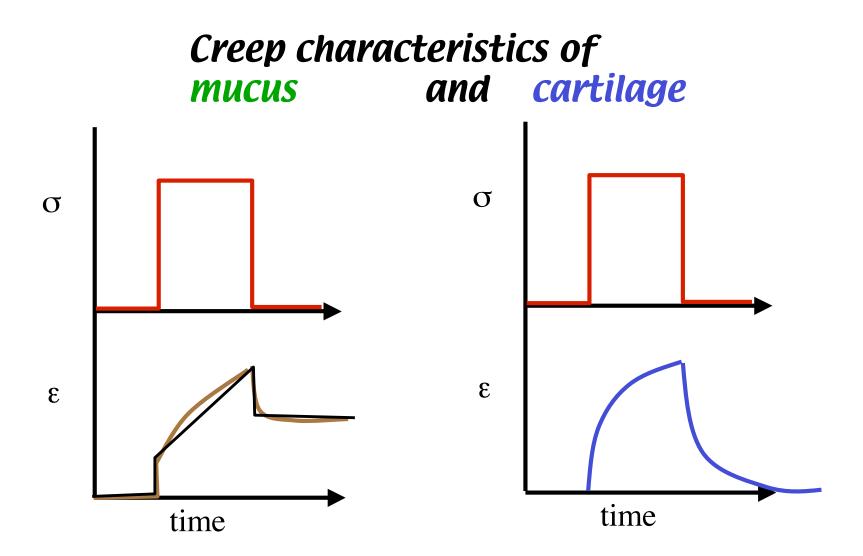
Tendon, muscle, cuticle, cartilage, mucus, hair, mesoglea, skin, all show timedependent properties. They are, therefore, vicso-elastic.

Key: how do solids and fluids respond to a shear force?



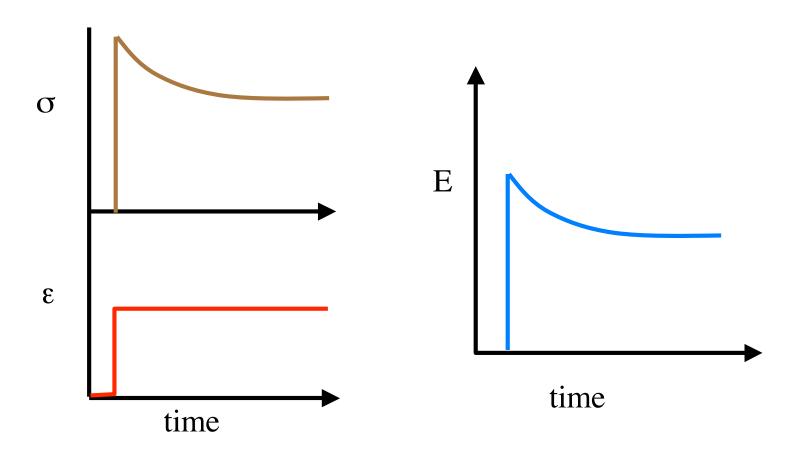






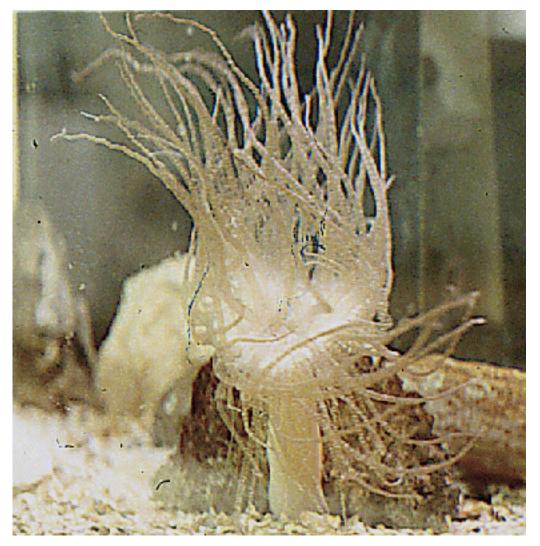
How does the stiffness vary in time?

A stress relaxtion test on the ACL



How does the stiffness vary in time?

Mesoglea (a protein polysaccharide)

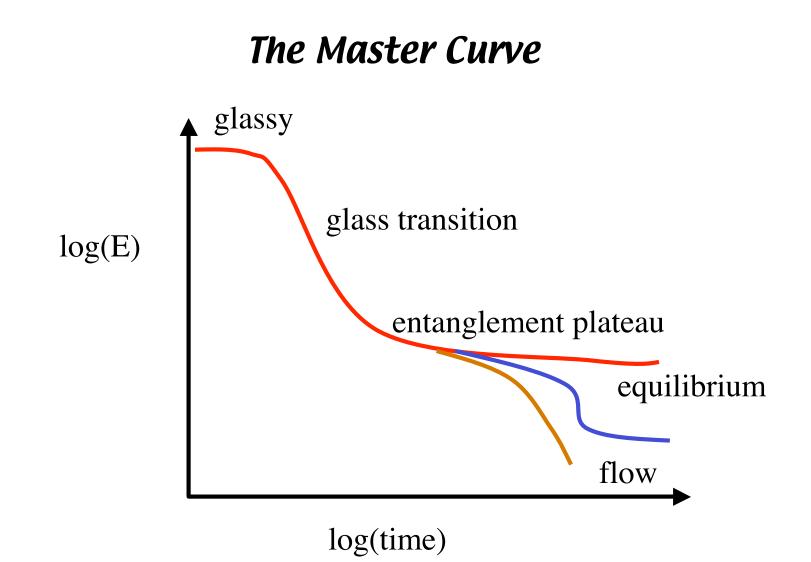




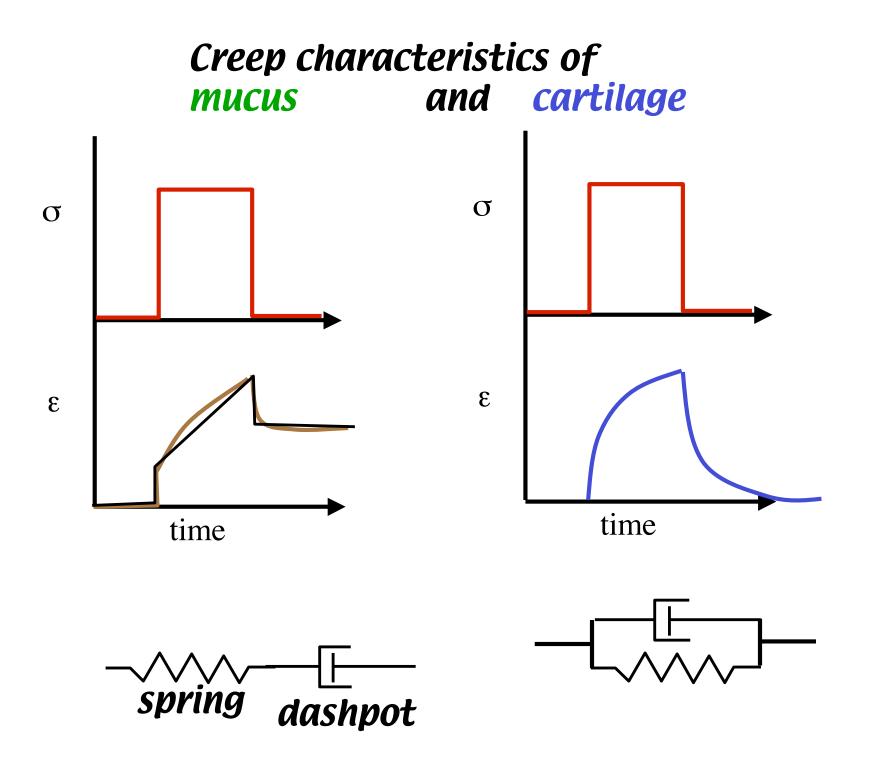


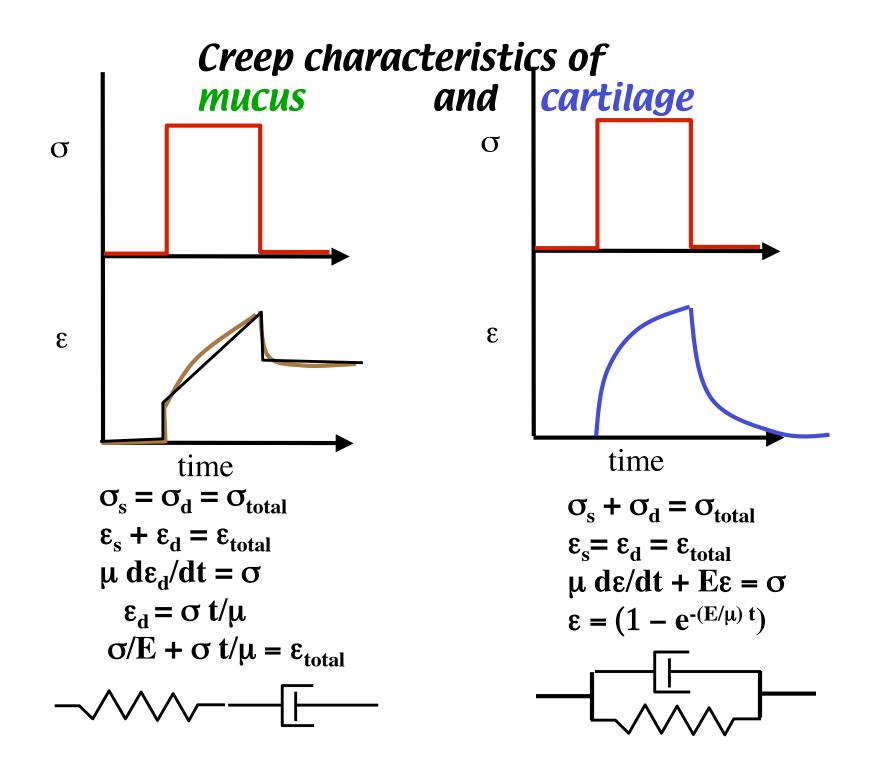


wave forces : seconds postural forces: minutes tidal changes : hours



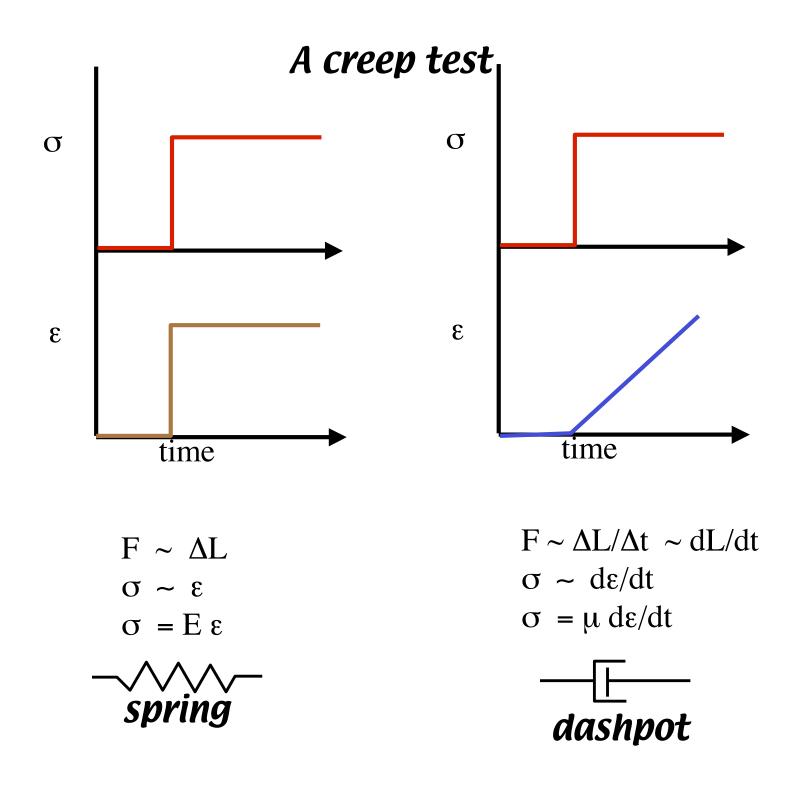
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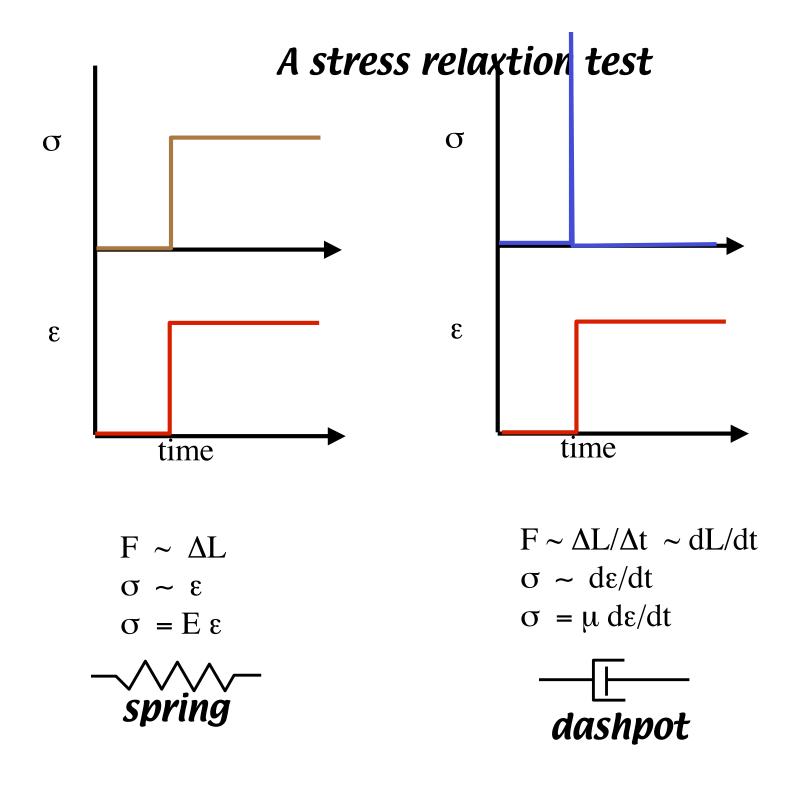


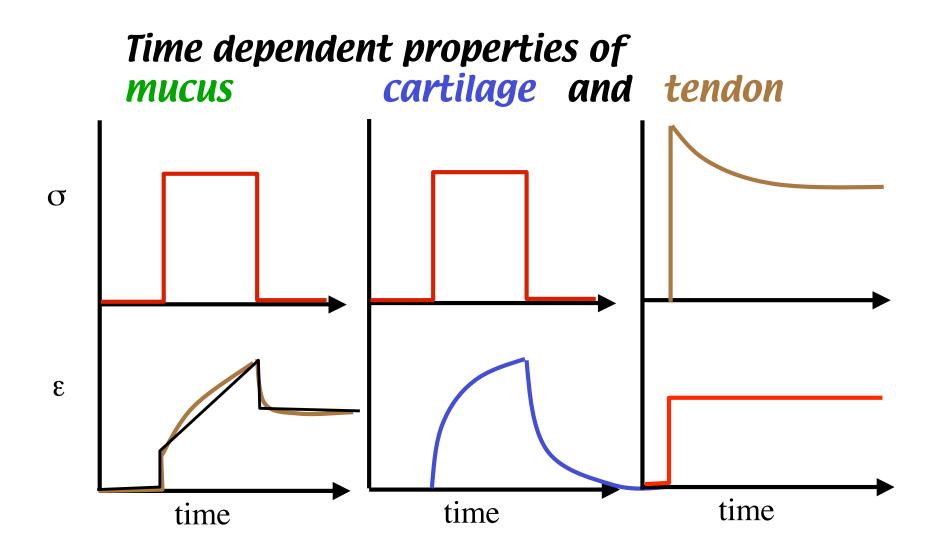


Biology 427 Biomechanics Lecture 9. Models of the visco-elastic behavior of biological materials.

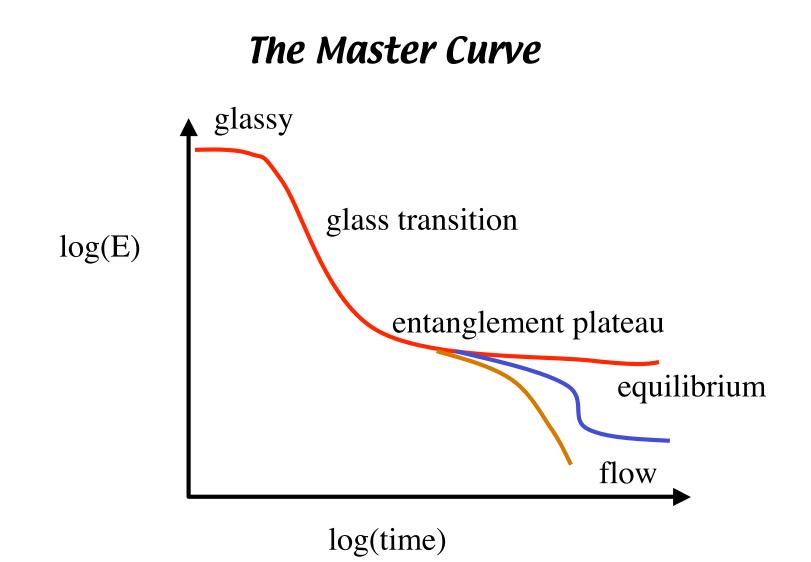
- Recap visco-elasticity and time-dependent properties
- •Simple theoretical models of visco-elastic materials
- •Complex models applied to the cellular mechanism of sensory transduction. A tale of two sensors.



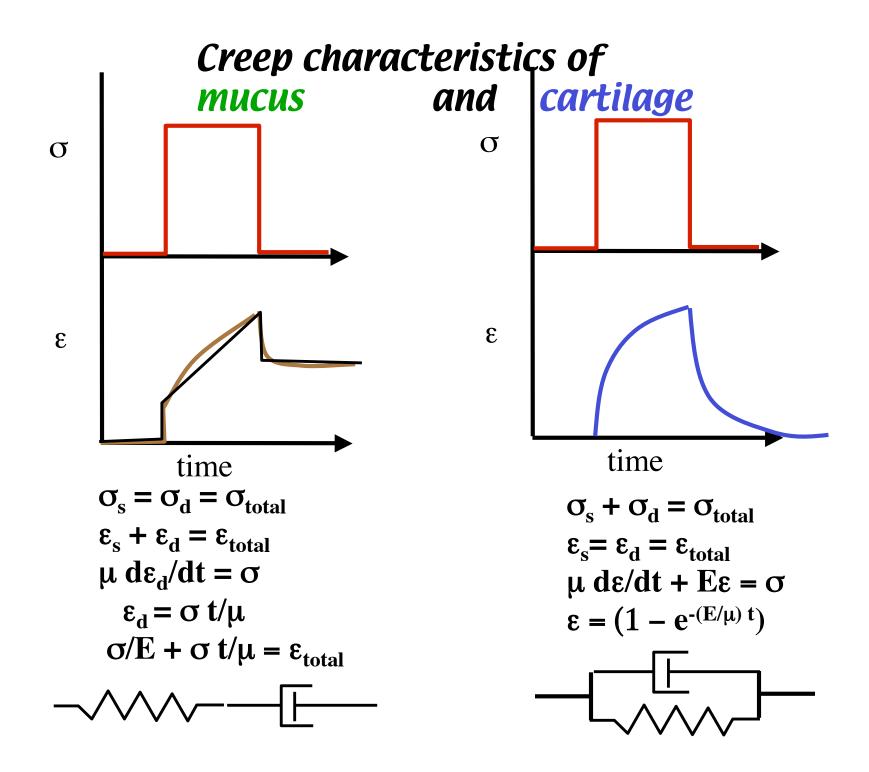


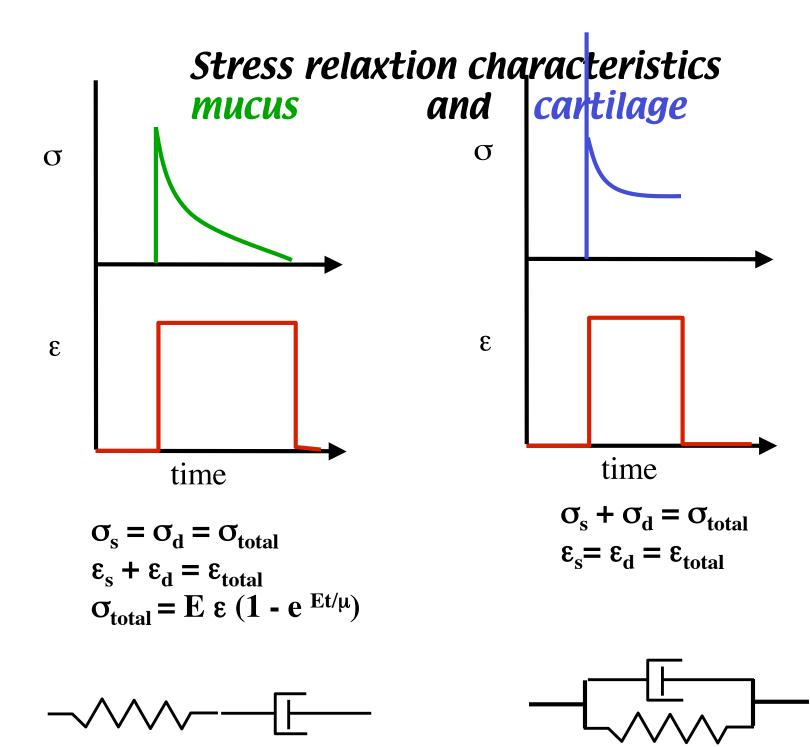


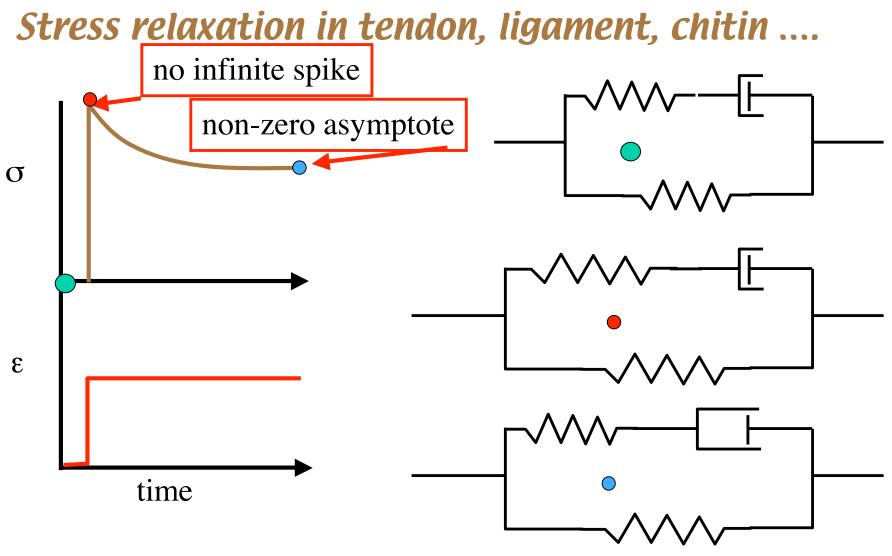
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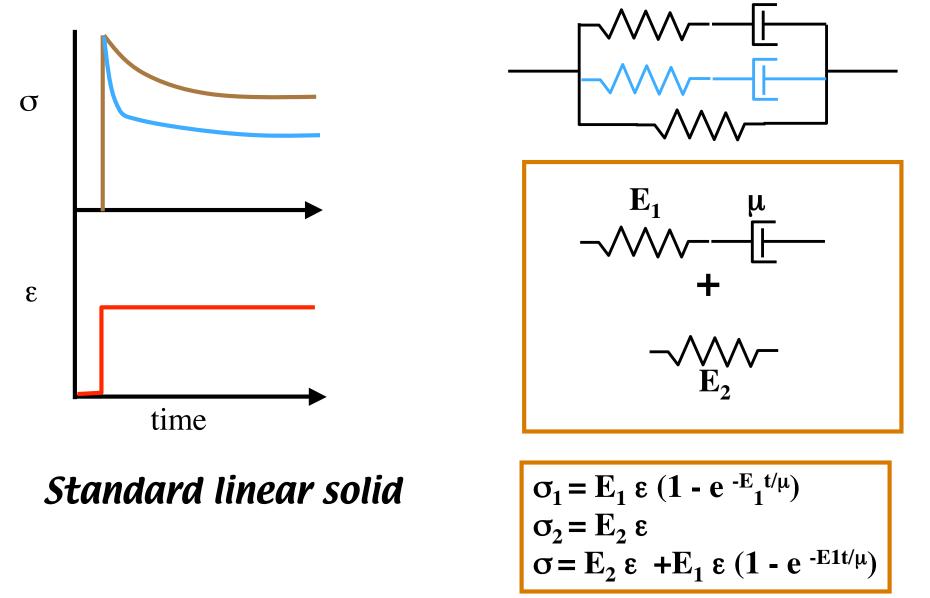




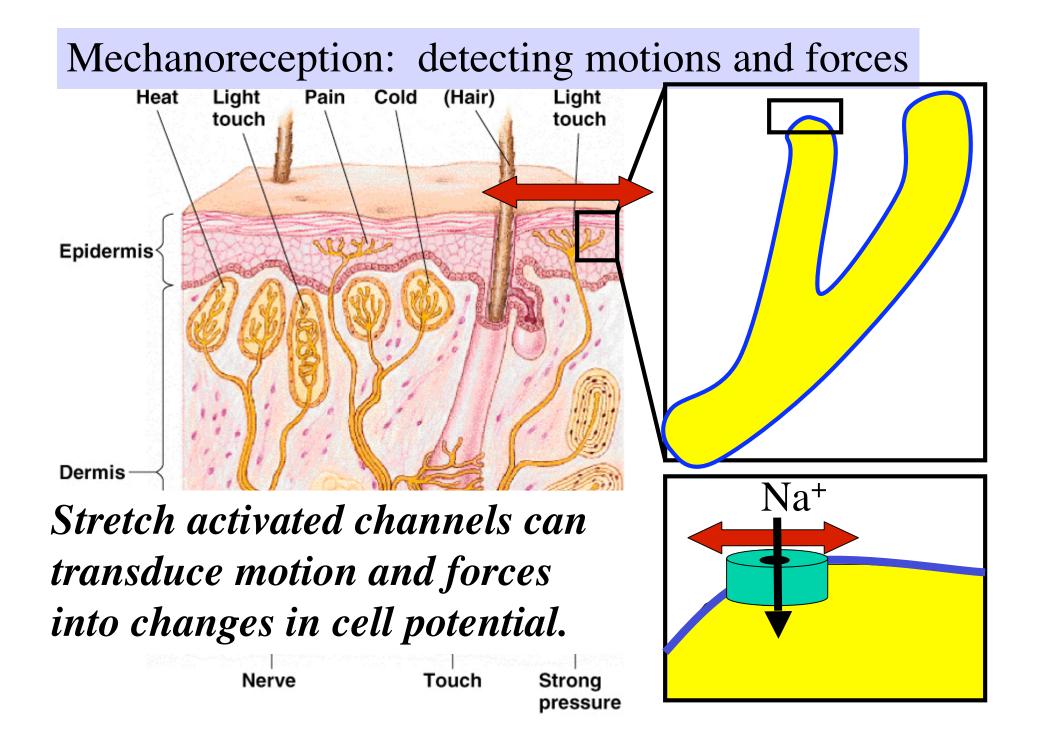


We need a more general model

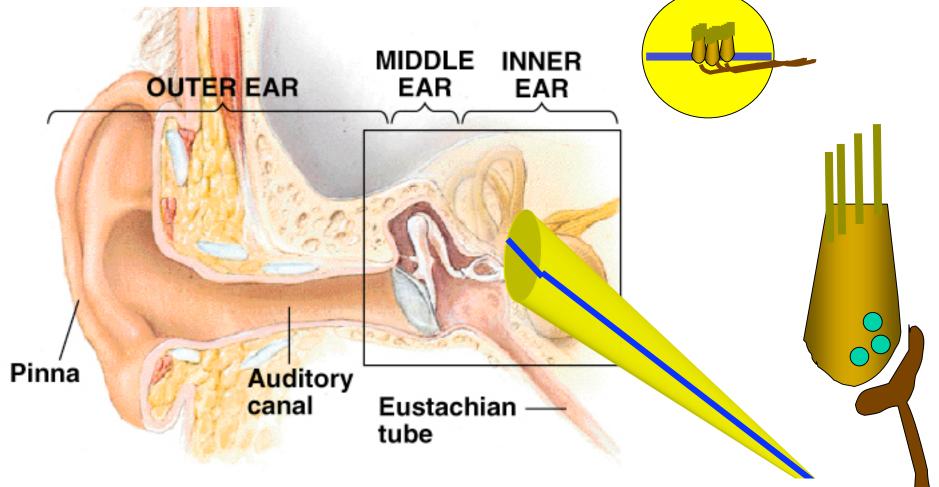
Stress relaxation in tendon, ligament, chitin



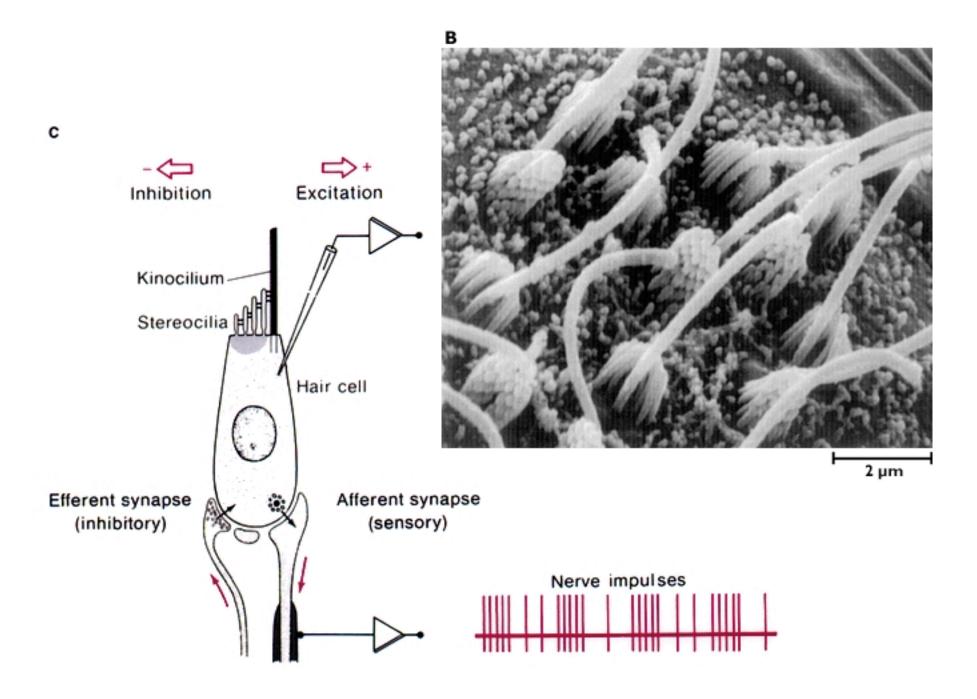
+ $E_3 \epsilon (1 - e^{E3t/\mu})$

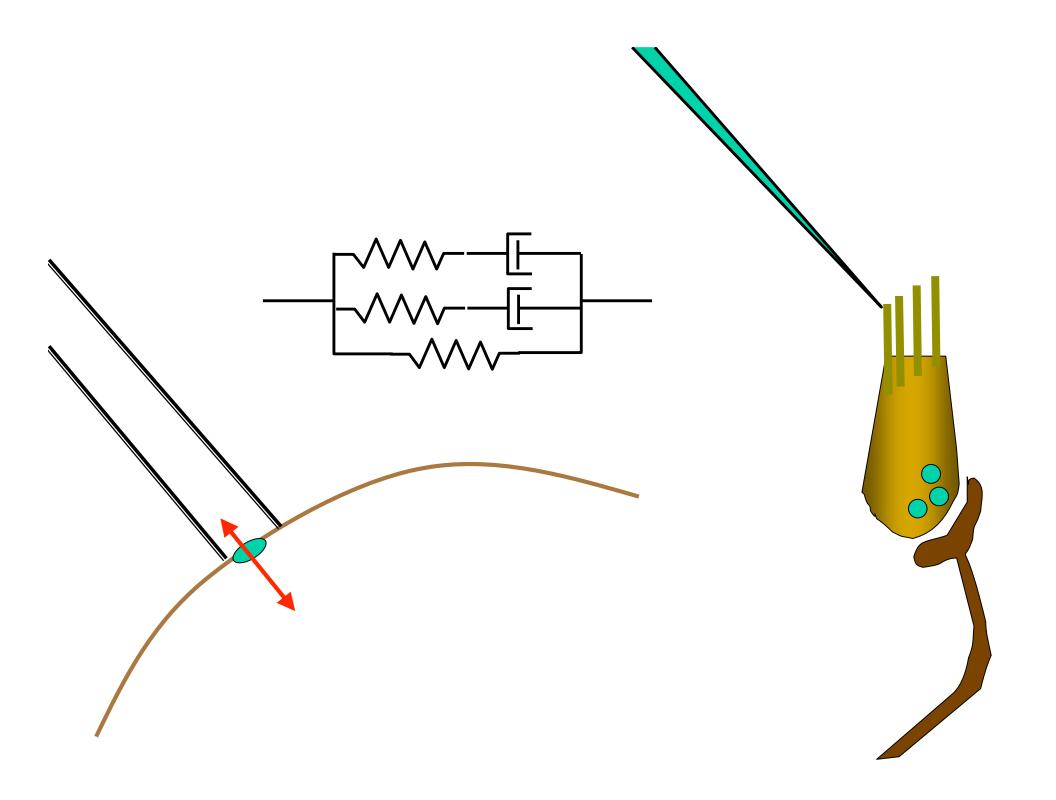


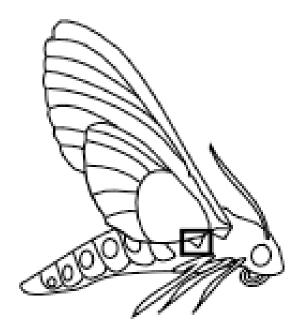
Stretch activated channels underlie hearing, balance, vibration sensing in diverse animals.

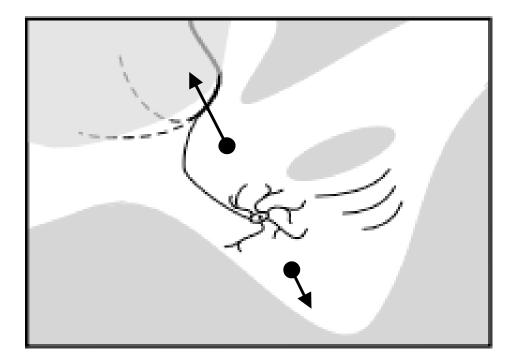


auditory hair cells have stretch activated channels.



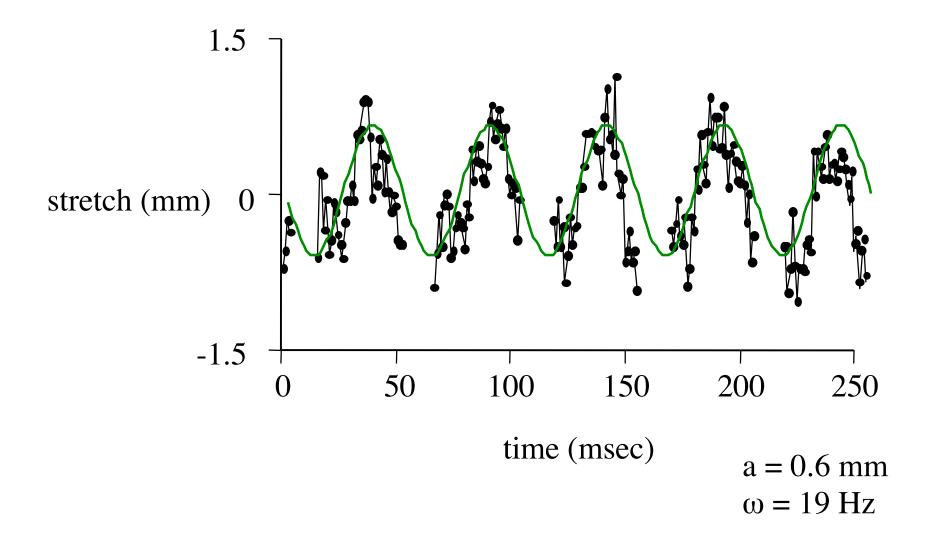


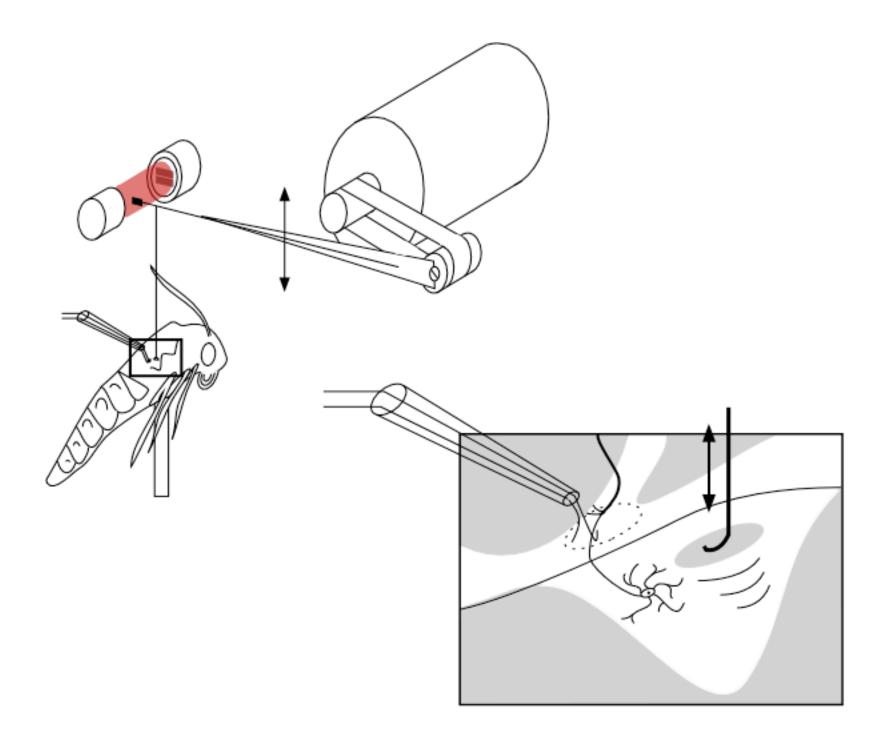


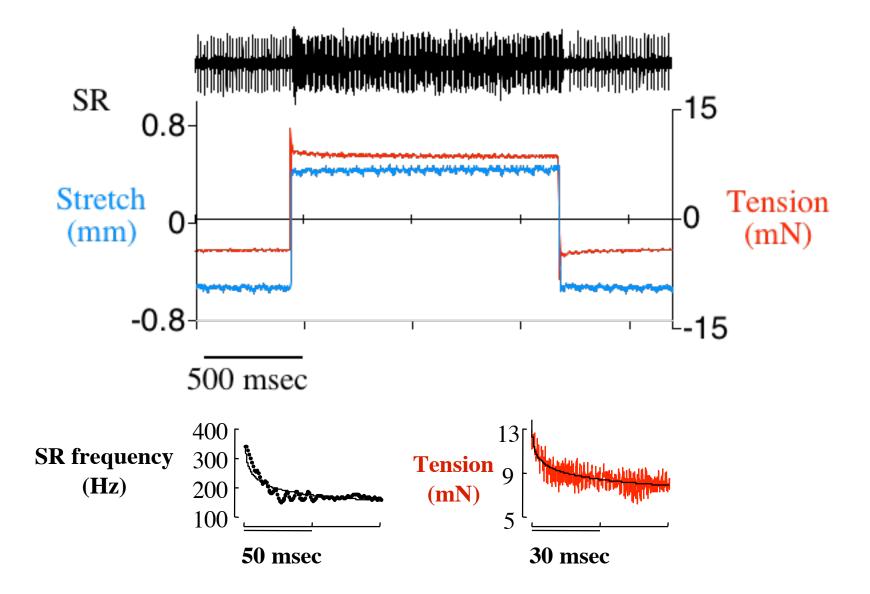


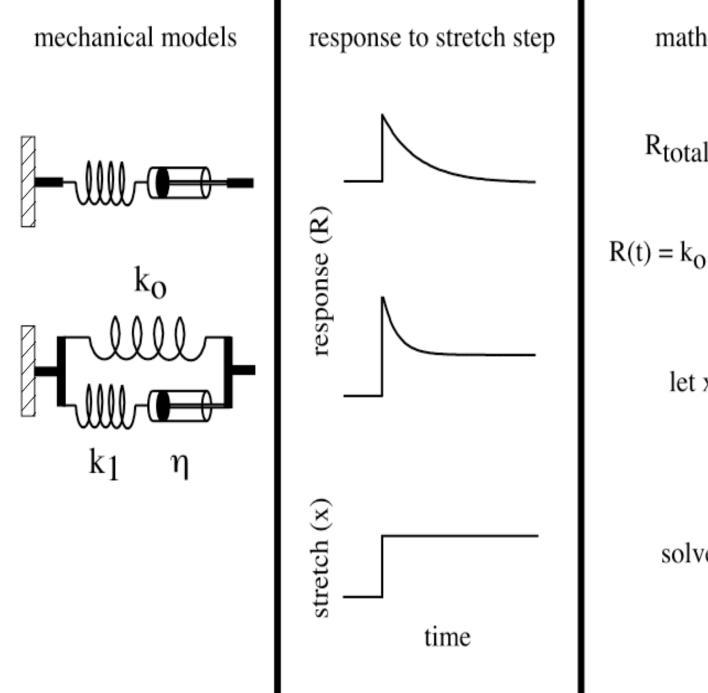
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Sinwave captures in vivo wing hinge deformation









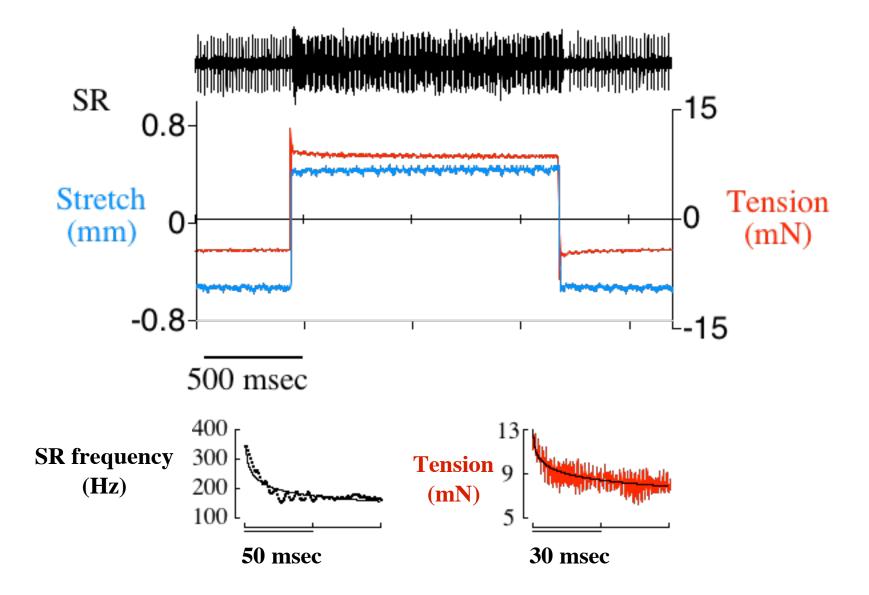
mathematical model

$$R_{\text{total}} = f(t, k_0, k_1, \eta, x)$$

$$R(t) = k_0 x + [k_1, e^{-t k_1/\eta}] x$$

let $x(t) = a \sin \omega t$

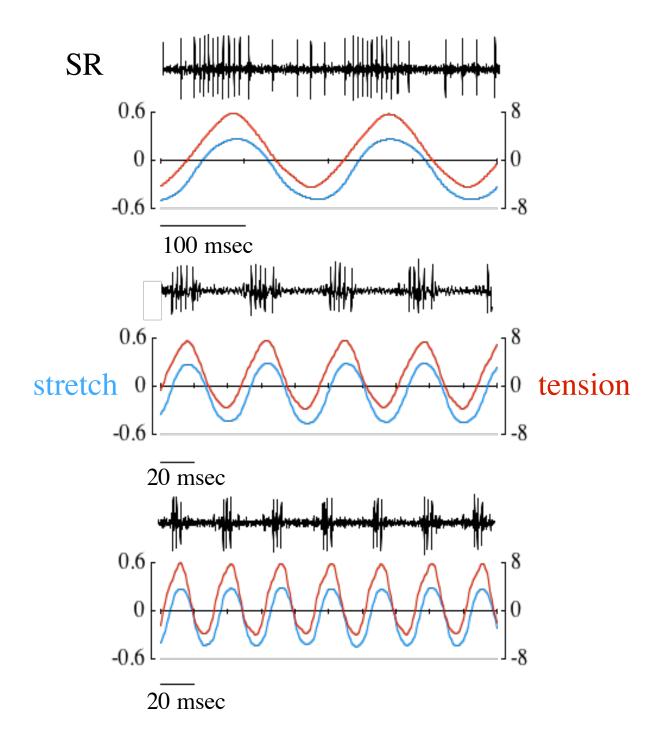
solve ODE for R(t)



Mechanical model predicts tension, but not SR firing dynamics

model SR war and the second state and the second second and the second and the second se output tension stretch





Biology 427 Biomechanics Lecture 10. Shape and stress: architecture in biology.

- •Recap material properties
- Cross-sectional shape: The second moment of area (I)
- •The flexural stiffness of a structure (EI)
- Buckling and twisting
- •Failure and safety factors: many ways to break up.

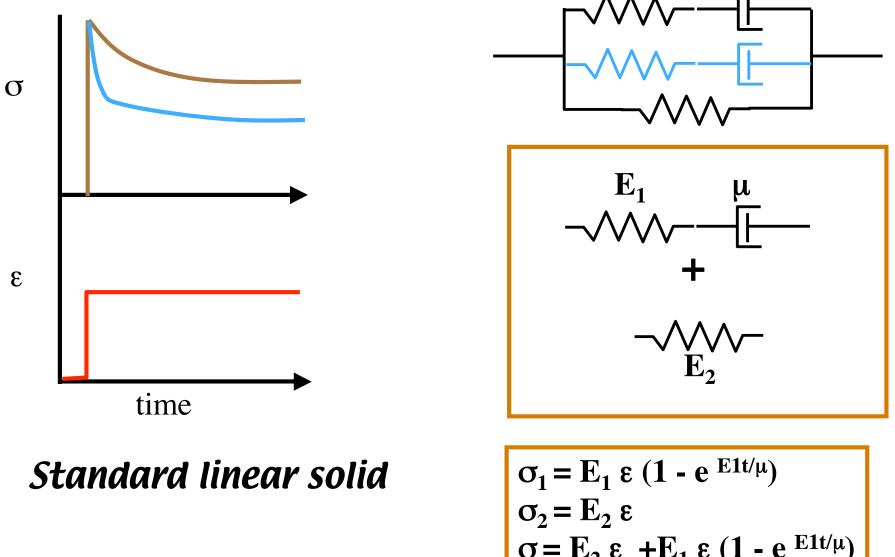
Project proposals: due Friday, February 6

Proposals should be <u>no more than</u> 3 double-spaced pages, and should address the following:

- What is your question?
- Why is your question important/interesting?
- What is known about your question? (give background from literature*/web searches)
- How will you develop a quantitative analysis of your problem? (you do not need to provide any equations in the proposal, but should explain the quantitative approach/steps you will take)

•**Read "Advice for preparing projects" on the webpage*!

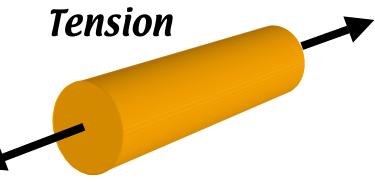
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$$= \mathbf{E}_2 \varepsilon + \mathbf{E}_1 \varepsilon (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{e}^{\mathrm{E}3t/\mu})$$
$$+ \mathbf{E}_2 \varepsilon (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{e}^{\mathrm{E}3t/\mu})$$

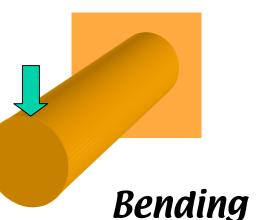
In tension, the behavior of a structure depends only on material properties and cross-sectional area (not shape!):

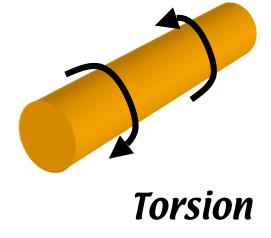
 $\sigma = E_{\varepsilon} = E \Delta L/L$ $\Delta L = \sigma L/E = FL/AE$



*Responses to other types of loads depend on shape

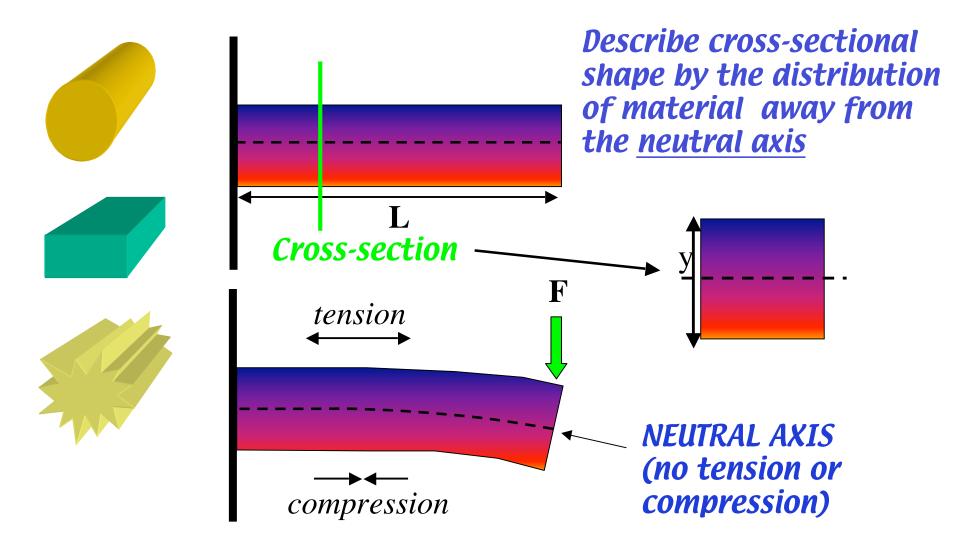
Compression --> can lead to buckling



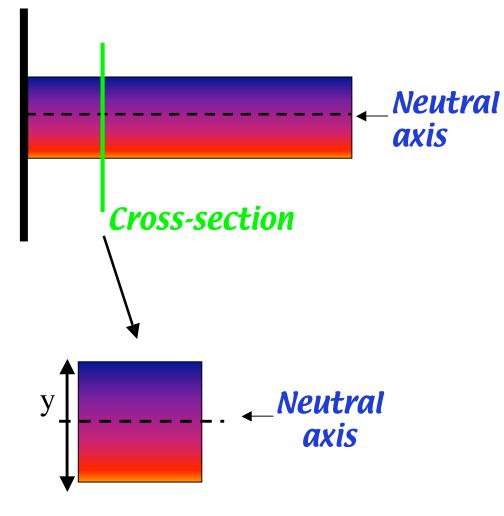


How can we quantify the shape of a structure?

Beam theory treats structures like simple beams with a cross-sectional shape and a length L

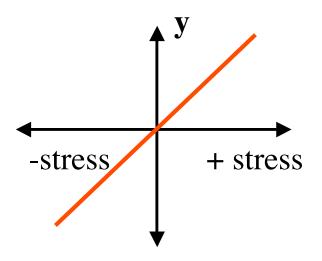


Cross-sectional shape: second moment of area

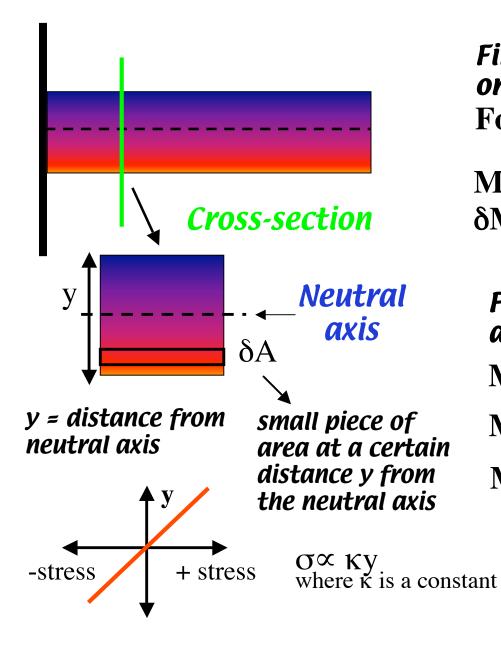


y = distance from neutral axis

Stress during bending (tensile or compressive) rises with distance from the neutral axis



Cross-sectional shape: second moment of area

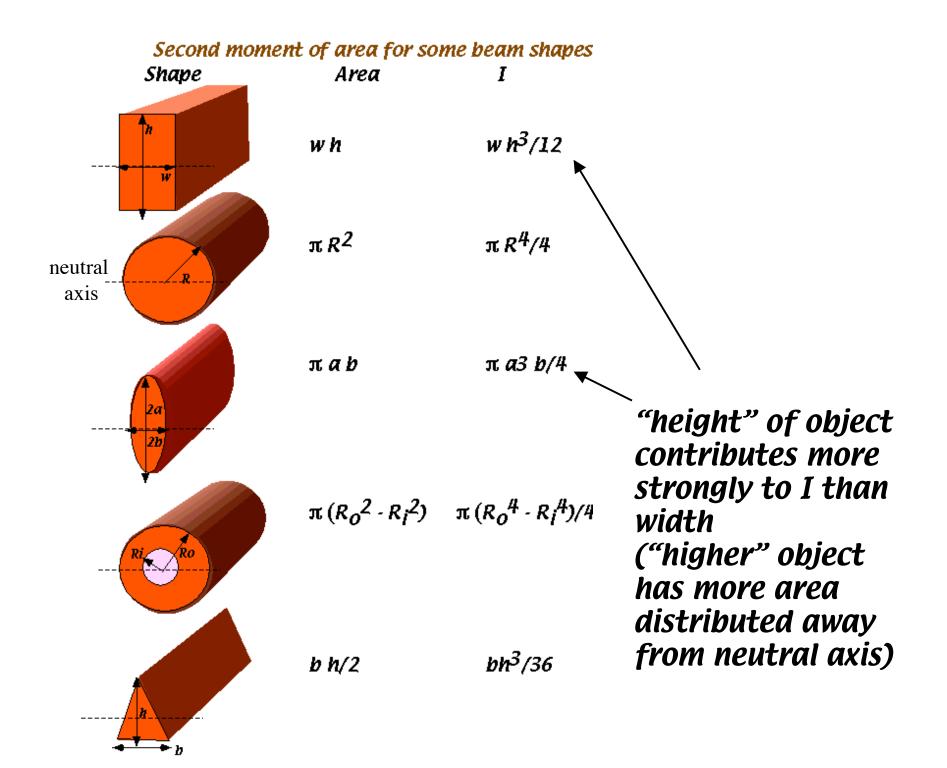


Find force and moment acting on a small piece: $(F = \sigma A)$ Force on $\delta A = \sigma_v \delta A$

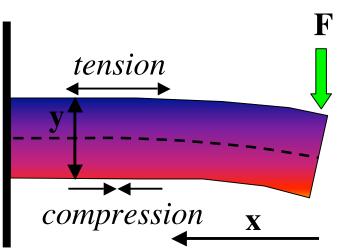
Moment about neutral axis: (M=Fy) $\delta M = y(\sigma_v \delta A)$

Find the total moment about the neutral axis: $M = \int \sigma y \, dA \qquad (\sigma \propto \kappa y)$ $M = \int \kappa y^2 \, dA = \kappa \int y^2 \, dA$ $M = \sigma/y \int y^2 \, dA = I \, \sigma/y$

> I is the second moment of area I = $\int y^2 dA$



Predicting overall bending behavior of a structure: <u>EI -- Flexural stiffness</u>



$$M = \sigma/y \int y^2 dA = I \sigma/y$$

$$M = F x$$

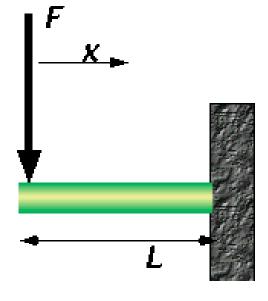
$$F x = I \sigma/y$$

$$\sigma = F x y/I$$

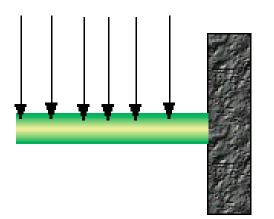
$$\sigma = E \epsilon \qquad \epsilon = F x y/(E I)$$

EI describes the overall behavior of the beam due to **BOTH** material and structural properties

Predicting overall bending behavior of a structure: <u>EI -- Flexural stiffness</u>

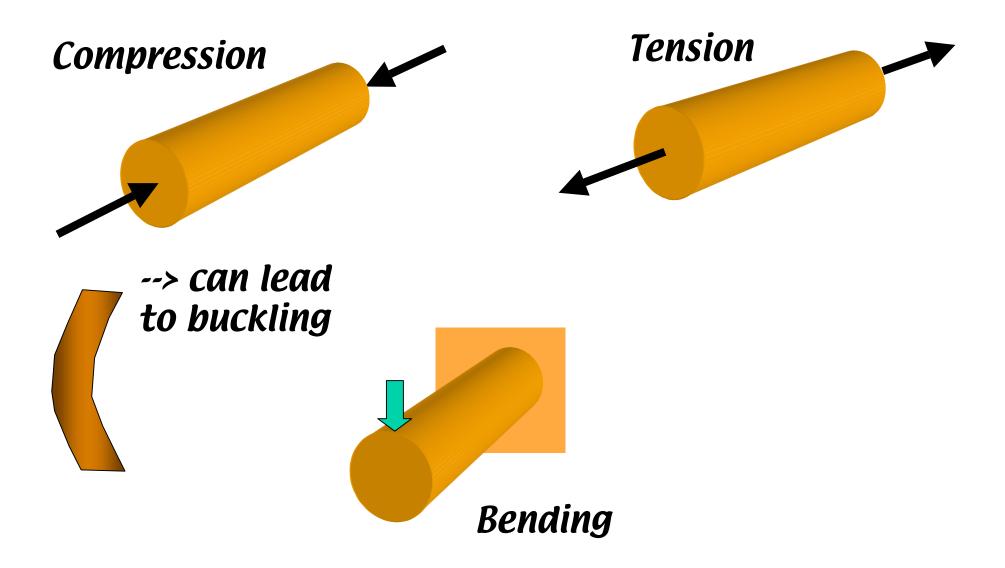


Point load F at end of beam Moment M = FxMaximum moment = FL Deflection of beam at point x $y = F(x^3-3L^2x+2L^3)/(6EI)$ Maximum deflection (at tip): $y_{max} = FL^3/(3EI)$

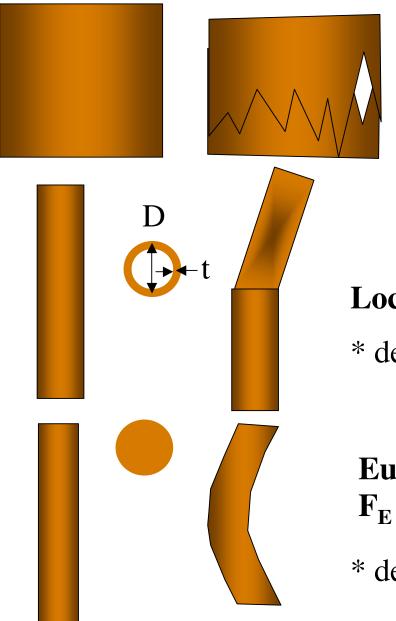


Uniformly distributed load f = FLMoment $M = Fx^2/3L$ Maximum moment = FL/2Deflection of beam at point x $y = F(x^4-4L^3x+3L^4)/(24EIL)$ Maximum deflection (at tip): $y_{max} = FL^3/(8EI)$

How do beams repond to compression?



Size and shape matter in compression too!



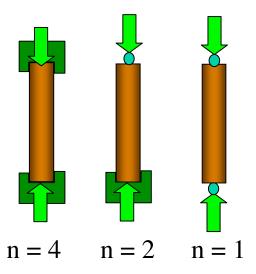
Compressive failure (σ_{max})

Local buckling $\sigma_L = k E t / D (k \sim 0.7)$

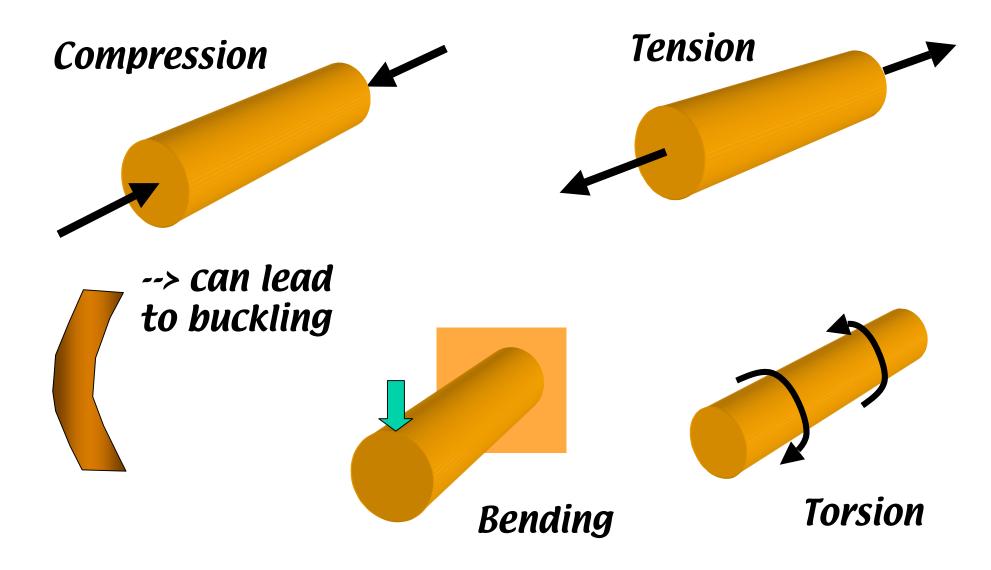
* depends on E, wall thickness and diameter

Euler buckling $F_E = n \pi^2 E I/L^2$

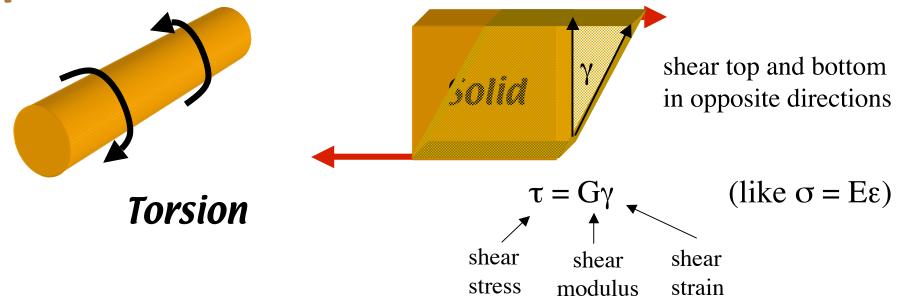
* depends on EI and <u>length</u>



How do beams repond to torsion?



Torsion involves tensile forces (outside) and compressive forces (inside), as well as shear forces



Torsional stiffness (like flexural stiffness) depends on both material properties (G) and structural properties (J):

J = second polar moment of area J = $\pi/2$ ($r_o^4 - r_i^4$)

where θ is angle of twist, F is tangential applied force, and r is radius

A huge collection of material and structural properties stiffness (E), strength (σ_{max}), flexural stiffness (EI), torsional stiffness (GJ), critical buckling force (F_E)...

To what extent does the design of biological materials and structures help them withstand various forces?

Safety factor *: SF =
$$\sigma_{max}/\sigma_{expected}$$

(for tensile/ compressive failure)

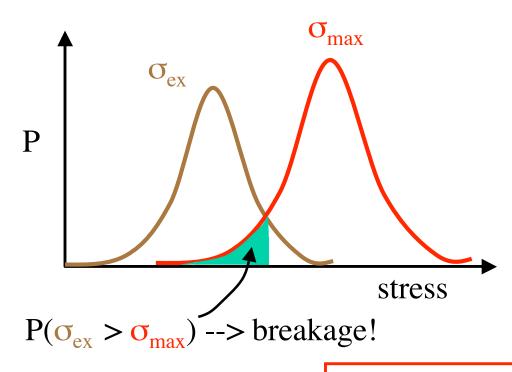
	Bones		Tendon
	Tensile Compressive		
<u>σ_{max}, Strength (Mpa)</u>	<u>172</u>	<u>284</u>	<u>84</u>
σ _{ex} Dog jumping	68-80(2-3)	100(2.8)	84(1.0)
σ _{ex} Kangaroo hopping	60(3)	90(3.2)	40-80(1-2)
σ _{ex} Elephant running	45-69(2.5-4)	57-85(3.3-5)	
σ _{ex} Man weight lifting		(1 - 1.7)	
σ_{ex} Goose flying		50(6) safe	ty factor

*Alexander, R.McN. 1981. Sci. Prog. Oxf. 67:109-120

What about safety factors for other types of loading?

Load/Failure Mode Structure Factor Cuttlefish, buoyancy chambers 1.3 - 1.4 lower SF in pressure Squid, shell (pen) bending predictable 1.3 - 1.4 environments? Spider, dragline tension 1.5 5.5 - 10.8 Reptilian hindlimbs bending Reptilian hindlimbs torsion 3.9 - 5.4 Mammalian bones (general) 2 - 6 bending SF differs for 4.8 Horse, leg bones in galloping bending different types Ostrich, leg bones in running bending 2.5 of loading related to types Bird wing bones bending 2.2 of loads Bat (microchiropteran) wing bones bending 1.4 normally 3.9 Bat (megachiropteran) wing bones bending encountered? bending Pigeon (wing) humerus 3.5 Pigeon (wing) humerus 1.9 torsion Pigeon wing feather shaft bending 6 - 12 Higher SF in longer-Tree trunks critical buckling about 4 lived organisms? critical buckling Stems, annual plants about 2 **Higher SF when** Garlic, grown in windy field critical buckling 1.78 exposed to a high Garlic, grown in greenhouse critical buckling 1.03 stress environment?

But ... there is variation in real biological materials and loads may be unpredictable (they may vary from the expected values).



probability of breakage: 0.0004/year human humerus 0.0006/year human femur 0.02/life either humerus/femur 0.07/life viverids humerus/femur 0.4/life gibbons humerus/femur 0.5/life red deer antlers 0.5/life spider webs

• distribution of stresses experienced

• distribution of strengths (in a structure or population)

Alexander suggested minimizing $\Phi(n) = P(n)*F + G(n) + U(n)$ P(n)*F = probability of failure*cost of failure G(n) = cost of producing structureU(n) = cost of using structure

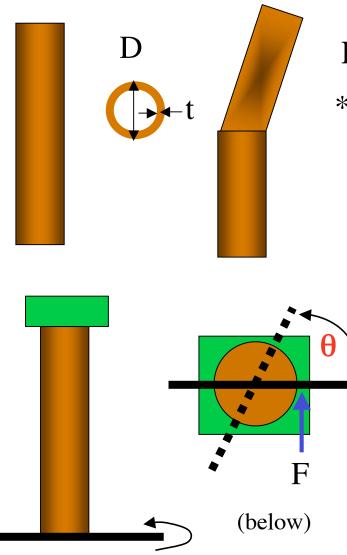
Biology 427 Biomechanics Lecture 11. More on shape and stress: architecture in biology and the design of biological structures

- Recap flexural stiffness, I, and beam examples
- Stress distributions in hip bones and tree limbs
- The design of mammalian long bones
- Design for selective failure: ripping fingernails



Talk to Tom or Stacey about your project!

Buckling diameter, torsion measurements.....



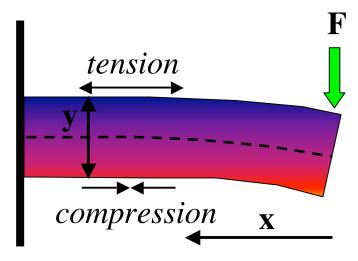
Local buckling $\sigma_L = k E t/D$ (k ~ 0.7) * depends on E, wall thickness and diameter $D = outer \ diameter$

Torsion θ

 $\mathbf{\theta} = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{r} \mathbf{L} / \mathbf{G} \mathbf{J}$

where θ is angle of twist, F is tangential applied force, and r is radius

Predicting overall bending behavior of a structure: <u>EI -- Flexural stiffness</u>



$$M = \sigma/y \int y^2 dA = I \sigma/y$$

$$M = F x$$

$$F x = I \sigma/y$$

$$\sigma = F x y/I$$

 $\sigma = E \epsilon$ $\epsilon = F x y/(E I)$

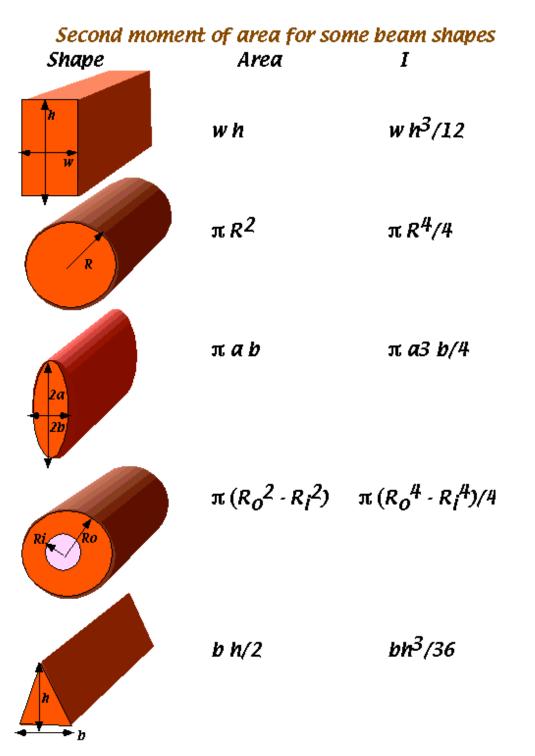
Are any of these equations timedependent?

Yes!

E can vary with time (viscoelastic) or force (non-linear)
I can also change

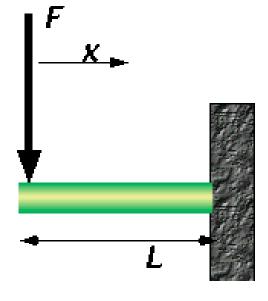
with time if structure deforms (squishes)

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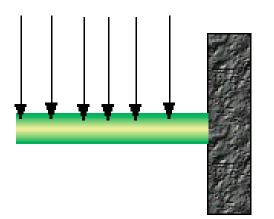


see class web page

Predicting overall bending behavior of a structure: <u>EI -- Flexural stiffness</u>



Point load F at end of beam Moment M = FxMaximum moment = FL Deflection of beam at point x $y = F(x^3-3L^2x+2L^3)/(6EI)$ Maximum deflection (at tip): $y_{max} = FL^3/(3EI)$



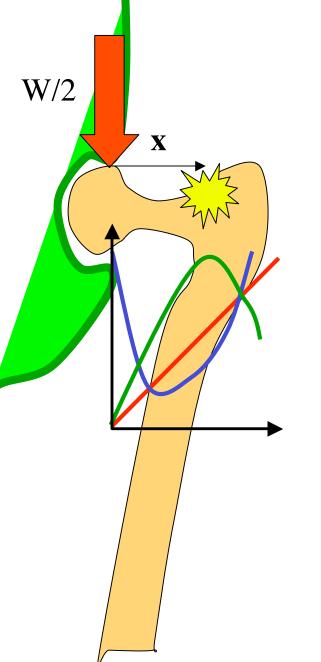
Uniformly distributed load f = FLMoment $M = Fx^2/3L$ Maximum moment = FL/2Deflection of beam at point x $y = F(x^4-4L^3x+3L^4)/(24EIL)$ Maximum deflection (at tip): $y_{max} = FL^3/(8EI)$

Stress distributions in biological beams:

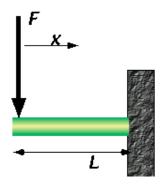
Bending will cause tension and compression, but most bones are stronger in compression

Where do you think the tensile stress is greatest?

Where is the most likely zone for failure?



 $\sigma = M y/I$





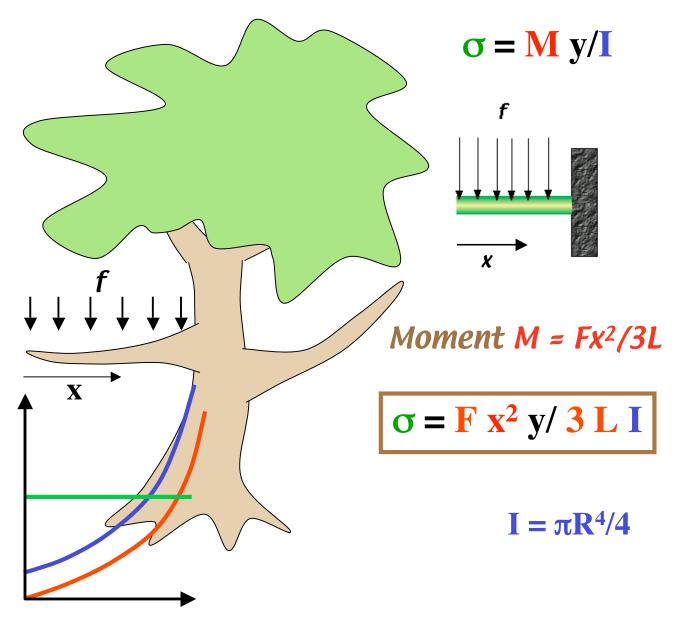


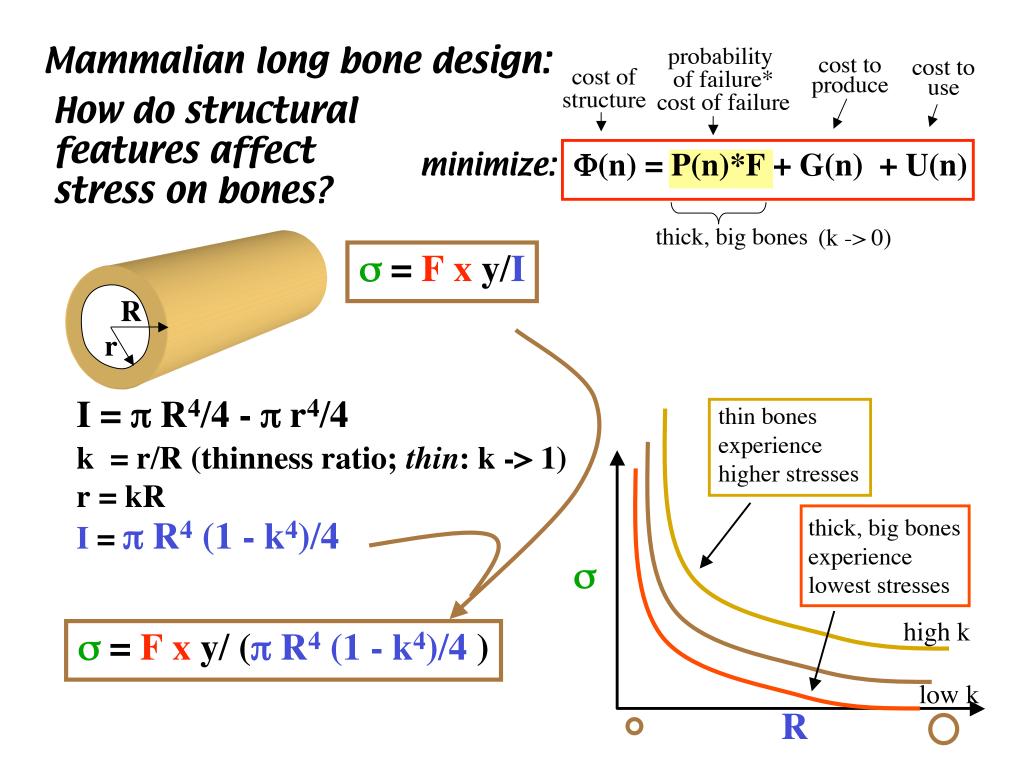
 $\mathbf{I} = \pi \mathbf{R}^4 / 4$

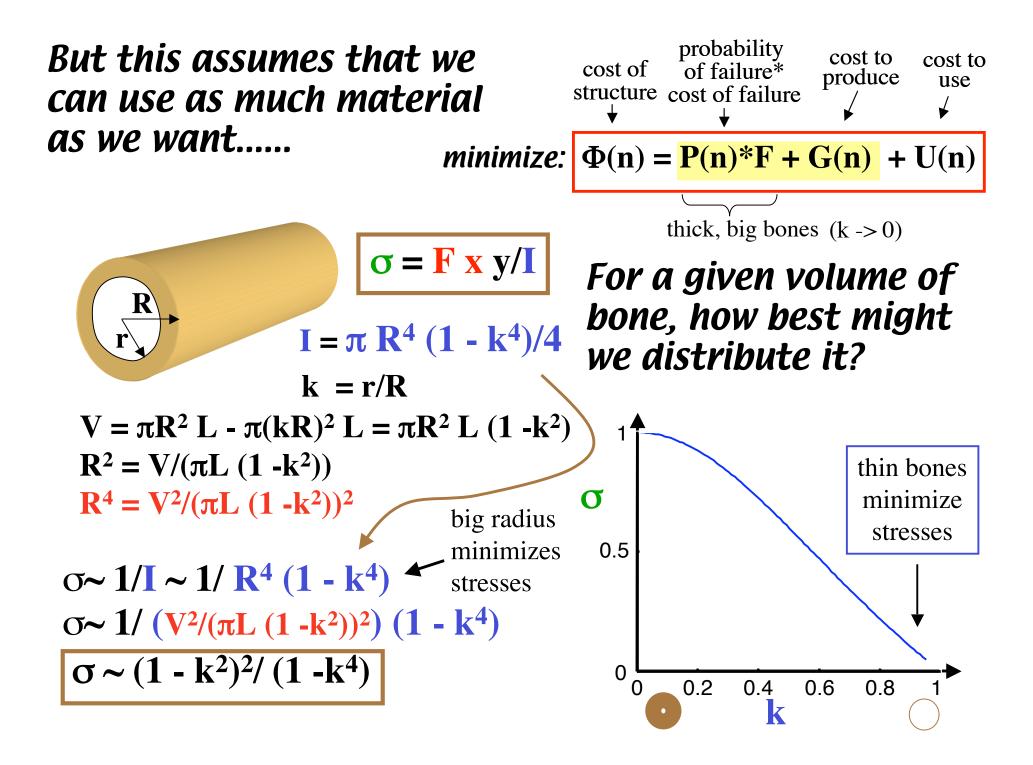
Stress distributions in biological beams: tree branches

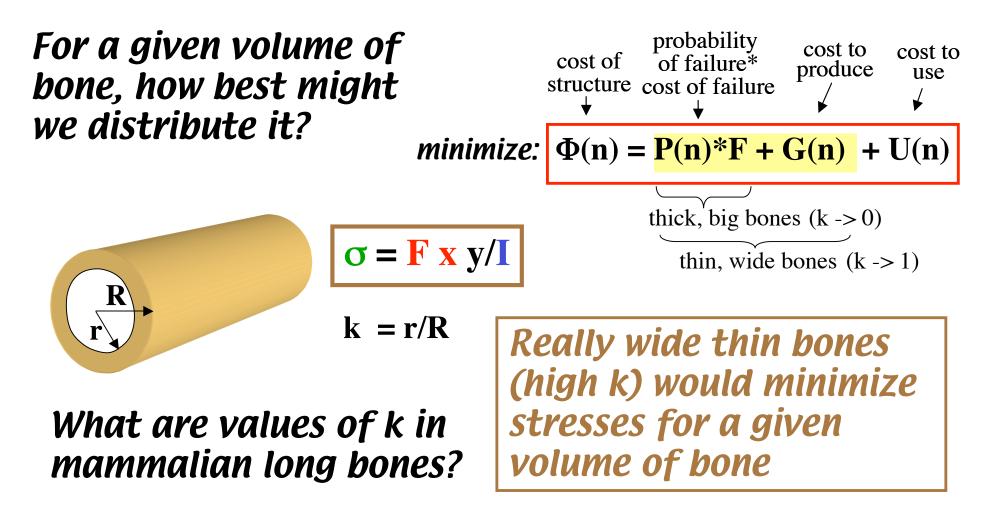
Tree branches support their own weight, plus the weight of leaves, fruit, etc.

How does the design of branches affect the distribution of bending stresses?



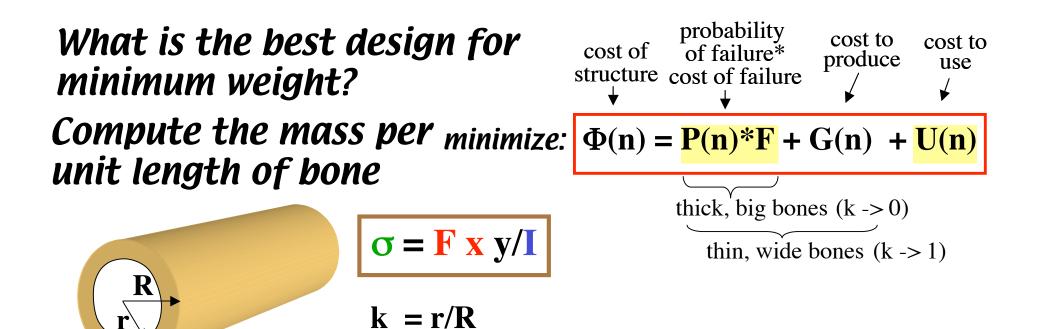






Values for k in terrestrial mammals

Bone	<u>Hare</u>	Fox	Lion	<u>Came</u>	el <u>Buffalo</u>	<u>Swan</u>
femur	0.57	0.63	0.56	0.62	0.54	0.60
humerus	0.55	0.59	0.57	0.66	0.51	0.92



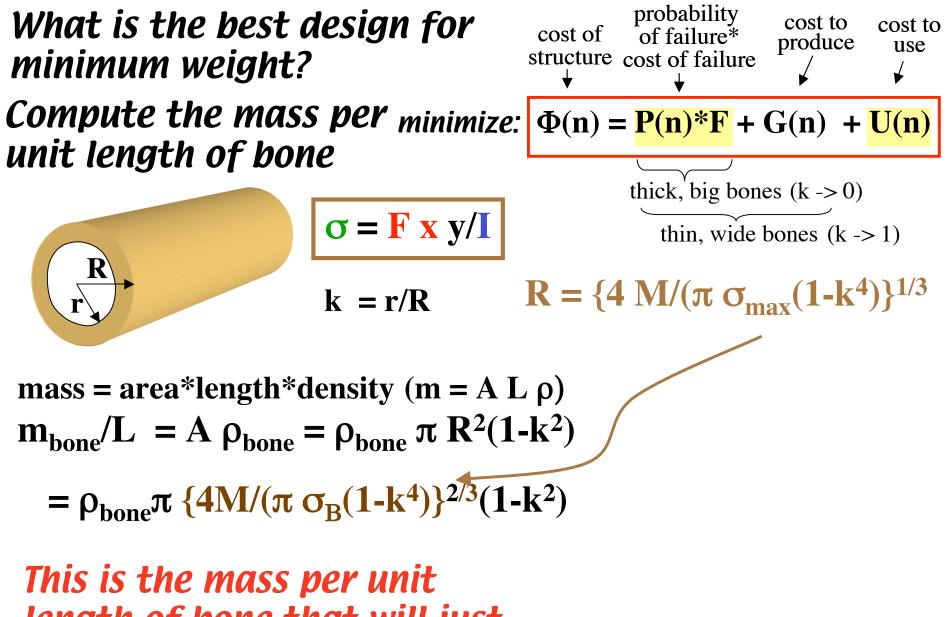
We will set the limiting condition of the size of bone that just avoids breaking

$$\sigma_{max} = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{y}/\mathbf{I}$$

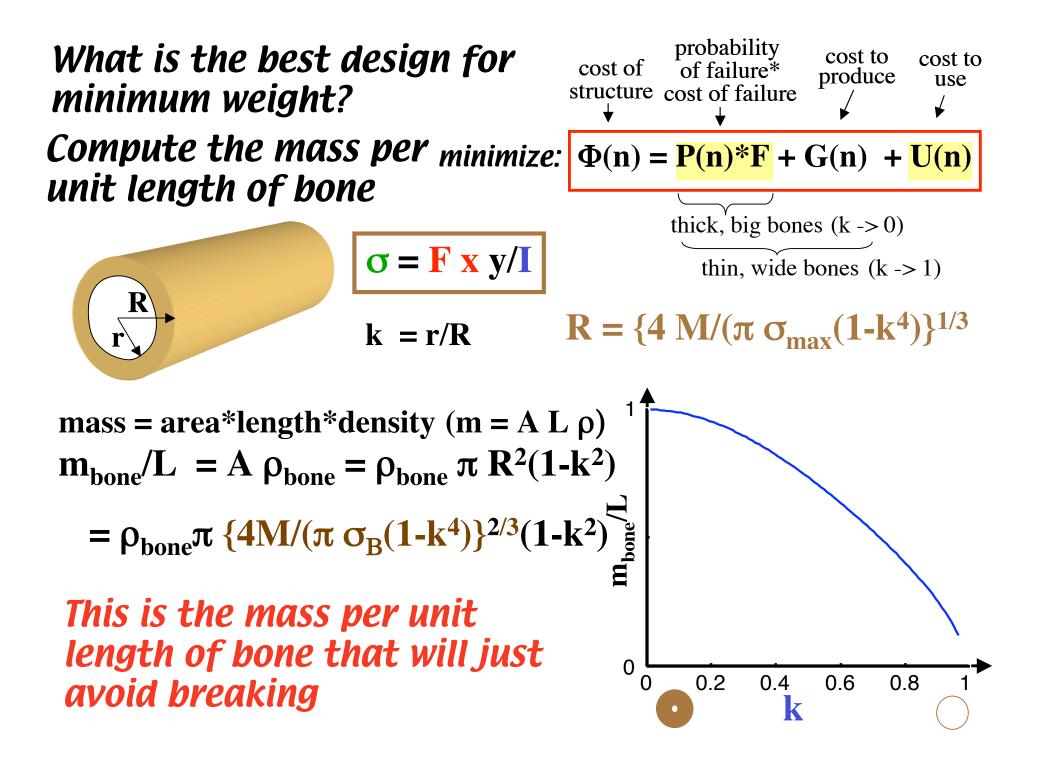
= My/I = M R/I
I = $\pi \mathbf{R}^4 (1-\mathbf{k}^4)/4$
$$\sigma_{max} = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{R}/(\pi \mathbf{R}^4 (1-\mathbf{k}^4)/4)$$

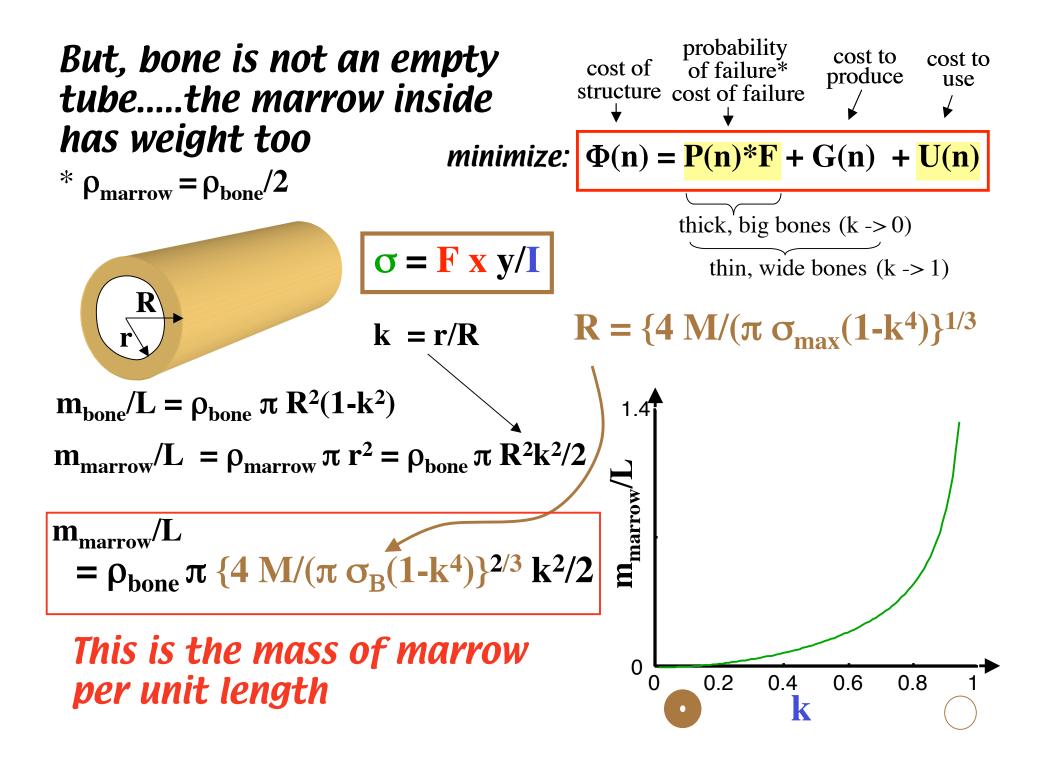
R = {4 M/($\pi \sigma_{max}(1-\mathbf{k}^4)$ }^{1/3}

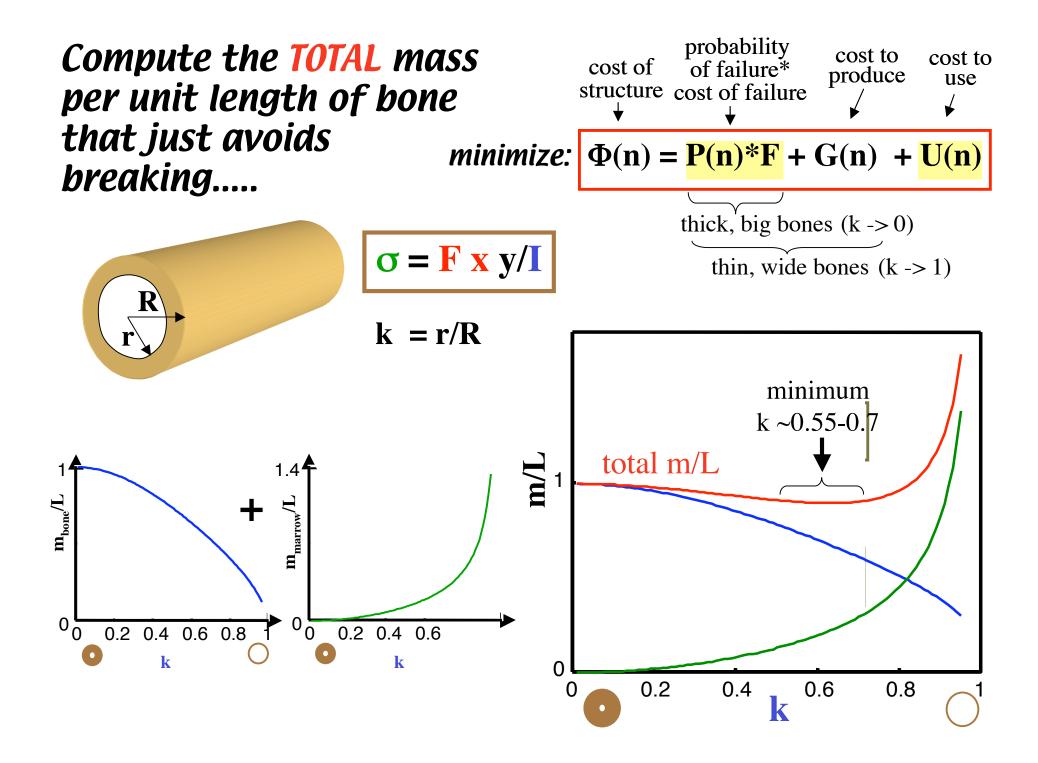
This is the radius needed for a bone to just avoid breaking under a given bending load

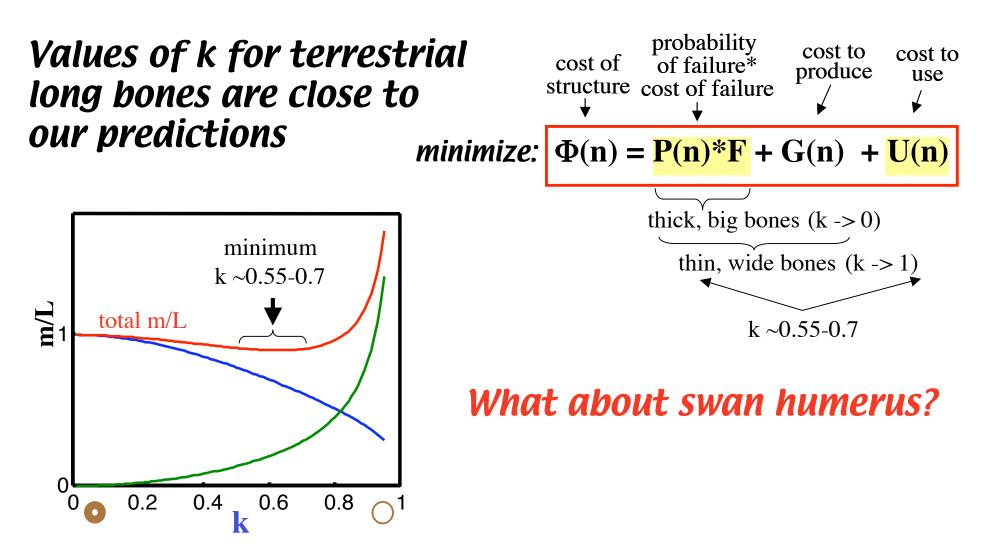


length of bone that will just avoid breaking





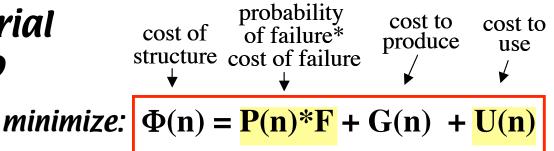


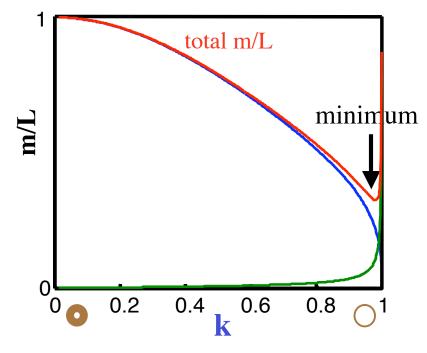


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Values of k for terrestrial long bones are close to our predictions





Swan humerus (wing bone) is filled with air sacs instead of marrow

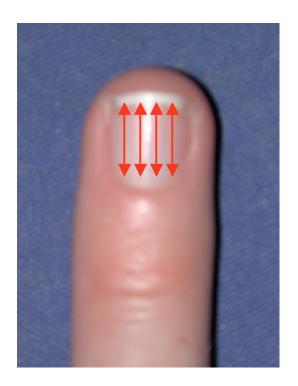
Membranes of air sacs, vasculature, and air have some mass:

$$\rho_{airsac} = \rho_{marrow} / 50$$

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Design for selective failure: anisotropy and ripping fingernails

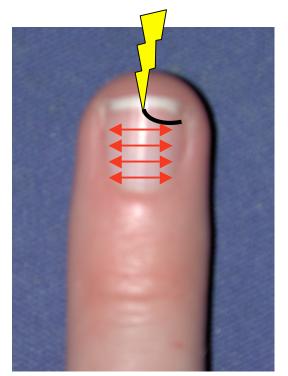


Nails need to be able to resist upward bending forces and prevent damage to vulnerable nail bed at base

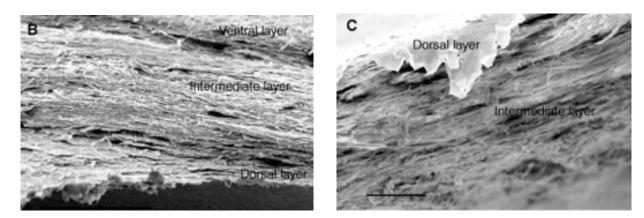
Keratin fibers can be aligned in one direction to provide material <u>ANISOTROPY</u> (different properties in one direction vs. another)

Longitudinally oriented keratin fibers would provide more stiffness to upward bending, but this might propagate tears directly to the nail bed

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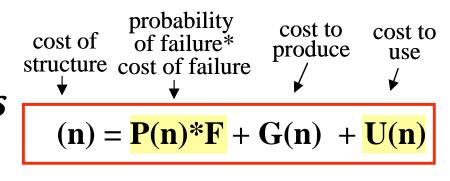
Concave shape provides <u>STRUCTURAL ANISOTROPY</u> (makes nails harder to bend upward)

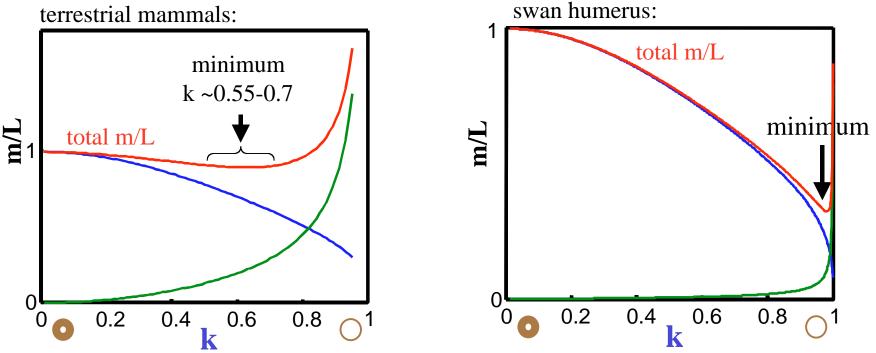
*Farren et al. (2004)

Biology 427 Biomechanics Lecture 12. Less simple structures: dealing with anisotropy, inhomogeneity, and scaling in biological structures.

- Recap design of mammalian long bones and ripping fingernails
- Insect wing venation patterns and structural anisotropy
- Putting together the pieces: using finite element models to understand complex structures
- Bending in just the right places: inhomogeneity in biological structures

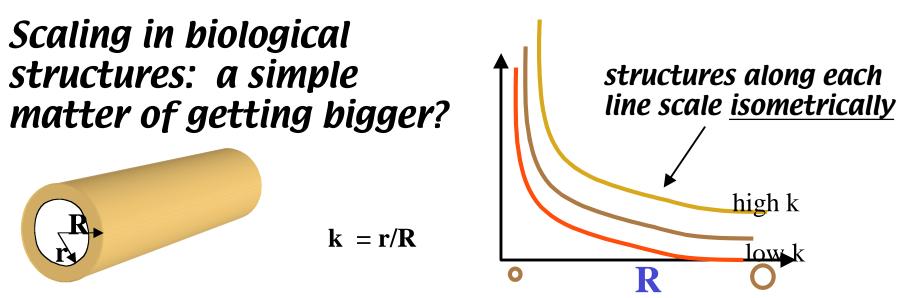
Values of k for long bones are close to our predictions for a strong structure that minimizes mass per unit length



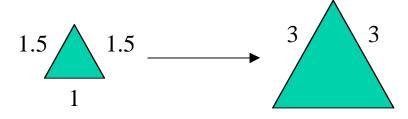


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isometric scaling: structures retain same relative proportions as they become larger

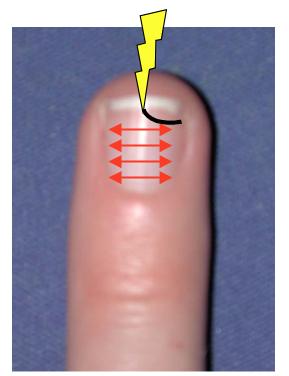


*structures may be scaled to provide a similar functional performance (i.e. similar degree of bending) instead of remaining geometrically similar

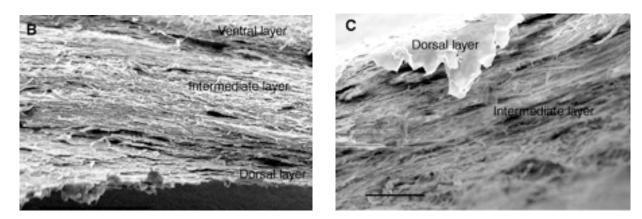
* Many biological structures do not scale isometrically because forces do not scale isometrically

i.e. Euler buckling: $F_E = n^2 E I/L^2$ critical buckling force goes as $1/L^2$, so longer columns will buckle at a lower relative force --> elephant vs. mouse legs

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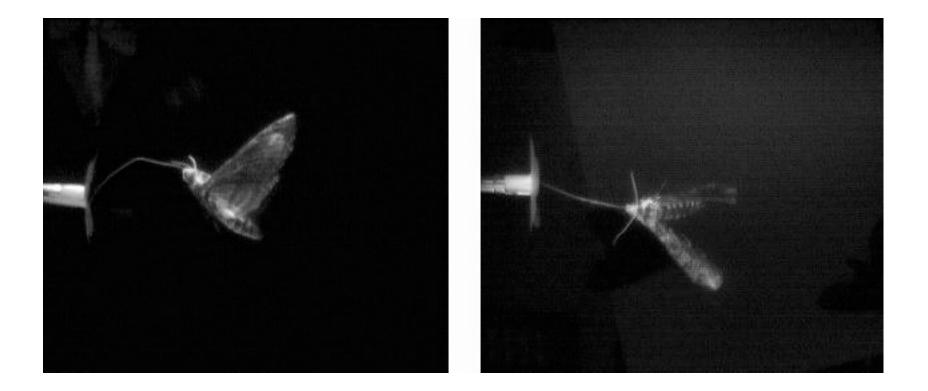
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Insect wings are flexible structures that are flapped through the air up to several hundred times per minute!



Insect wings deformations may affect force generation and aerodynamic efficiency

How are wing deformations controlled during flight?



Does insect wing structure control passive shape changes?











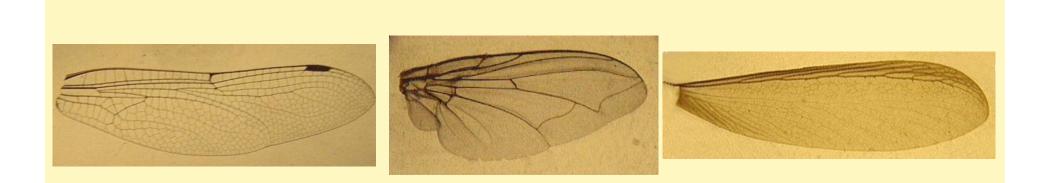








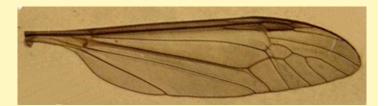


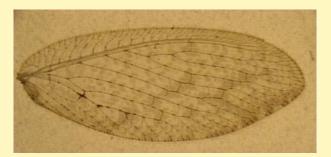










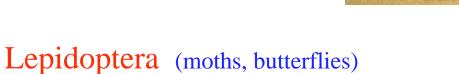




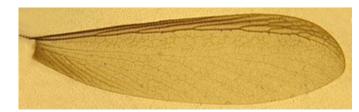


Is insect wing stiffness related to venation pattern?

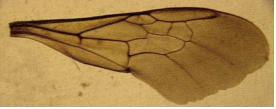
- ---- Isoptera (termites)
- Neuroptera (lacewings)
- Hymenoptera (bees,wasps)
- Diptera (flies)



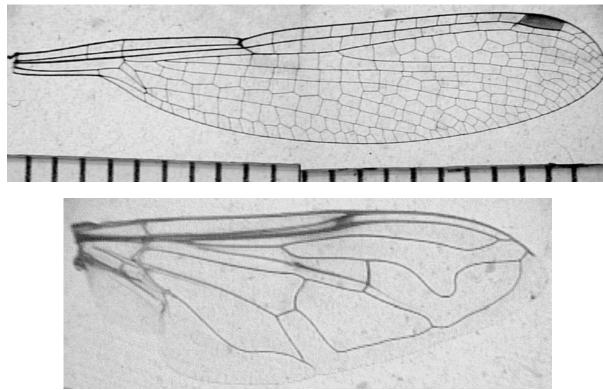






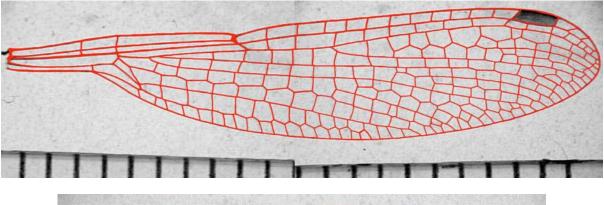


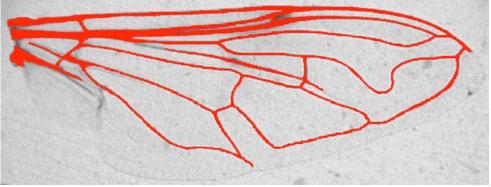


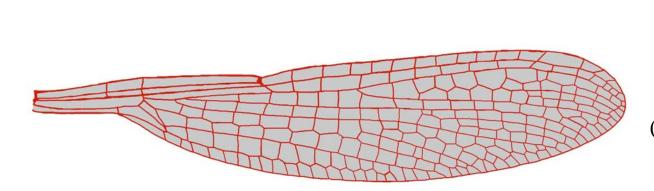


Lestes spp. (damselfly)

Calliphora spp. (blow fly)





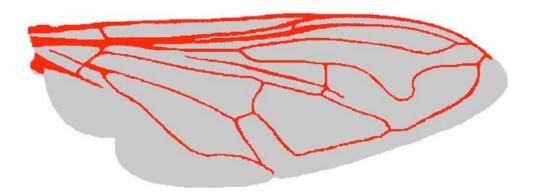


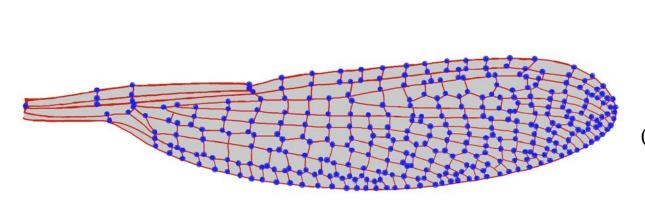
percent vein area

(vein area/total area)

vein thickness/span

((vein area/total length)/span)

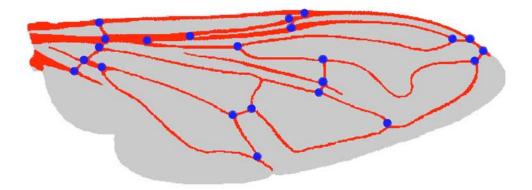


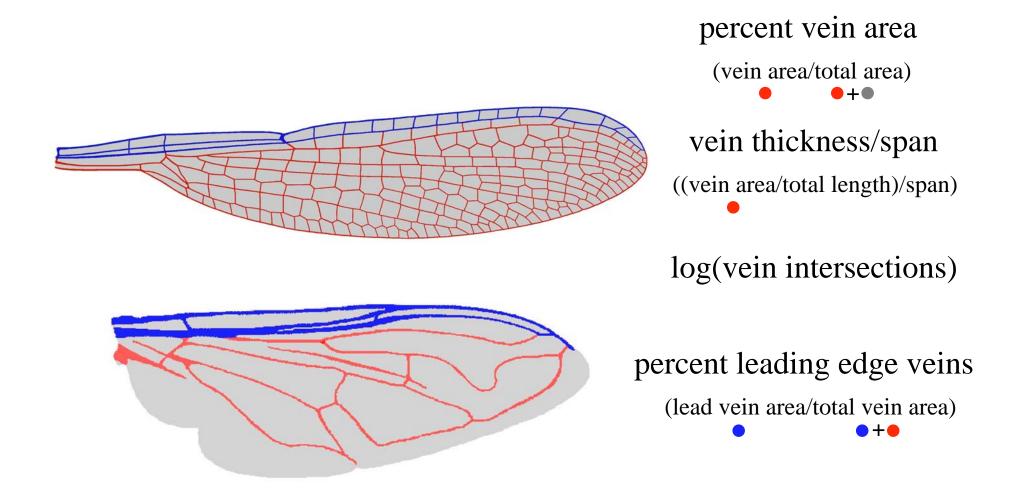


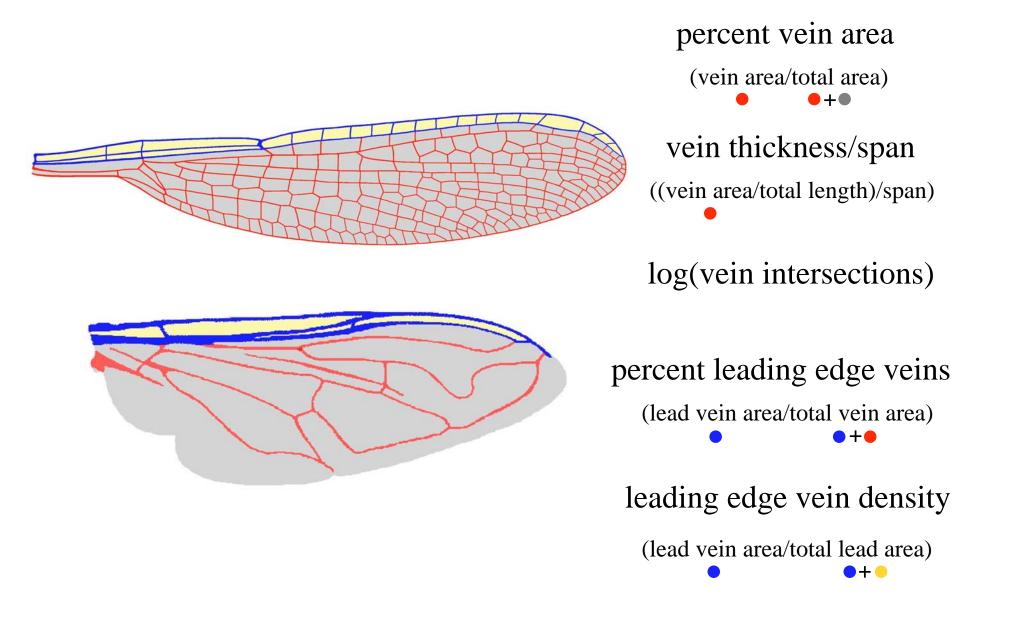
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log(vein intersections)



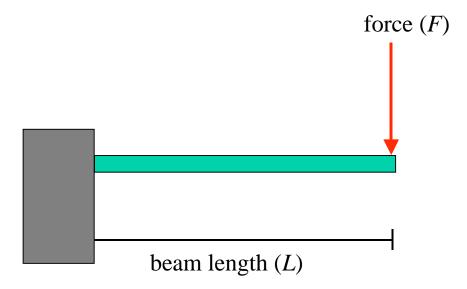




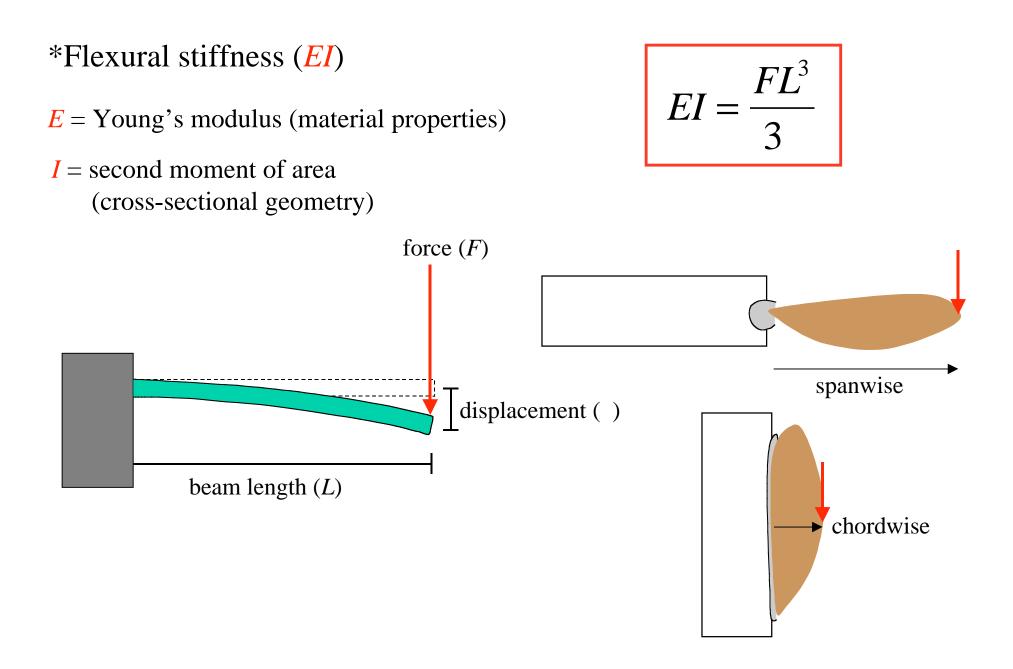
Treat the wing as a 2-D beam to measure overall stiffness

*Flexural stiffness (*EI*)

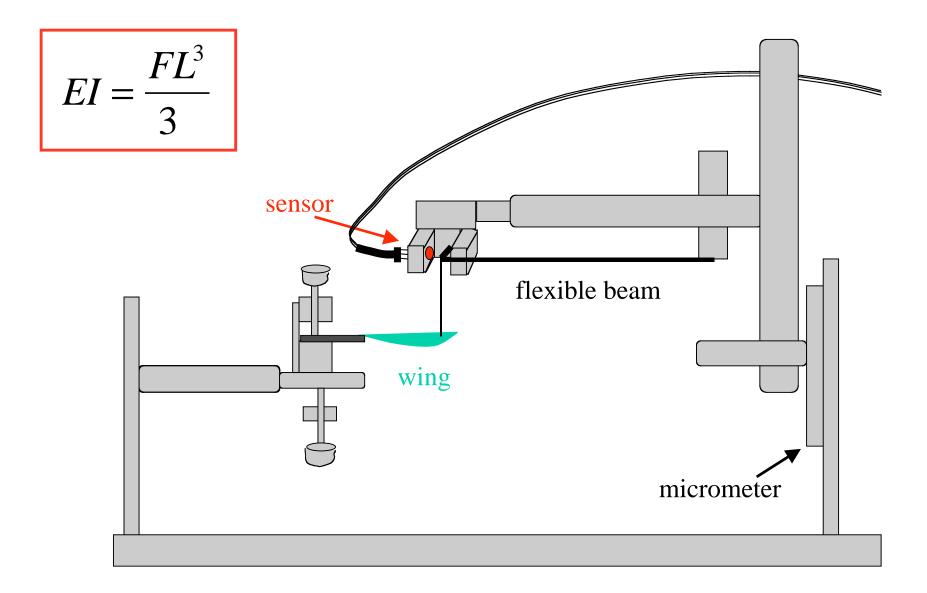
- E = Young's modulus (material properties)
- *I* = second moment of area (cross-sectional geometry)



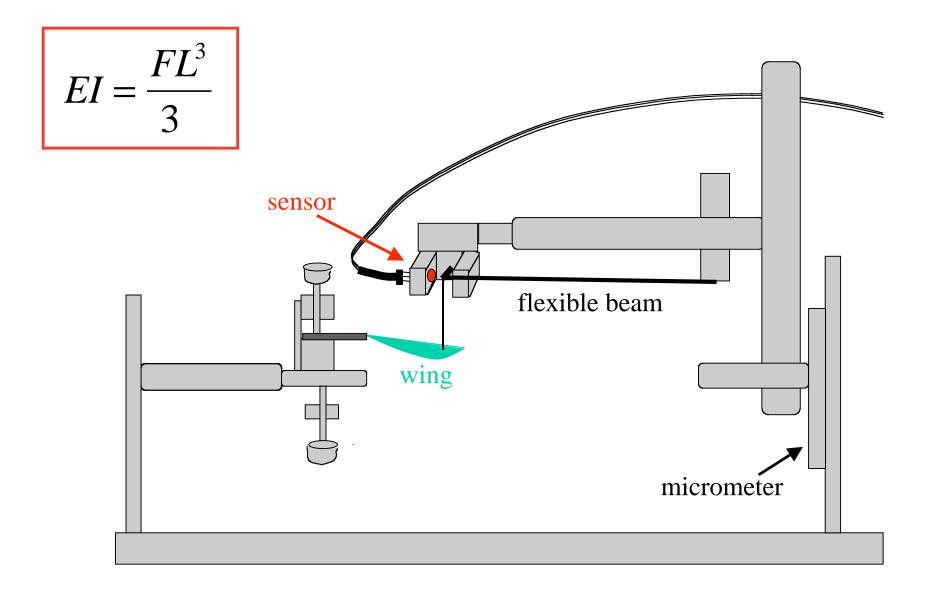
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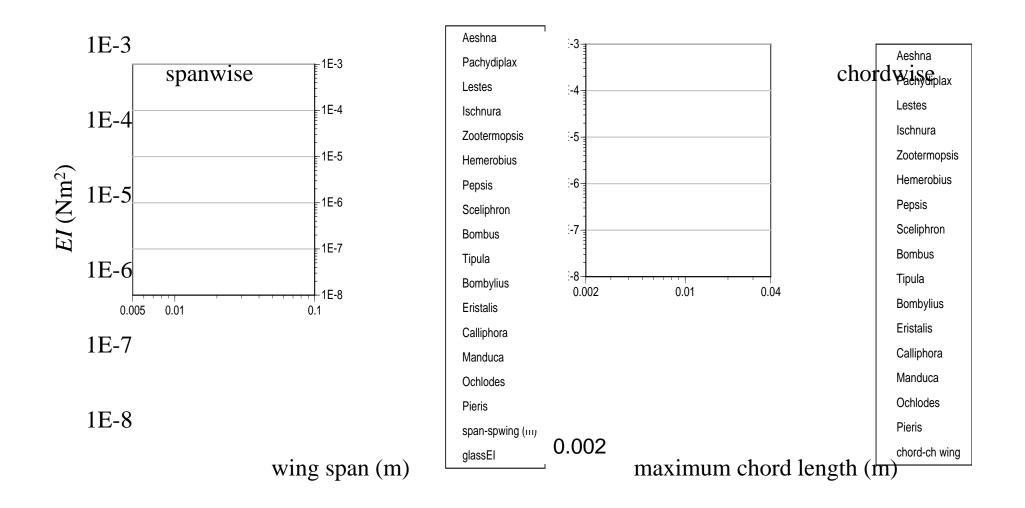


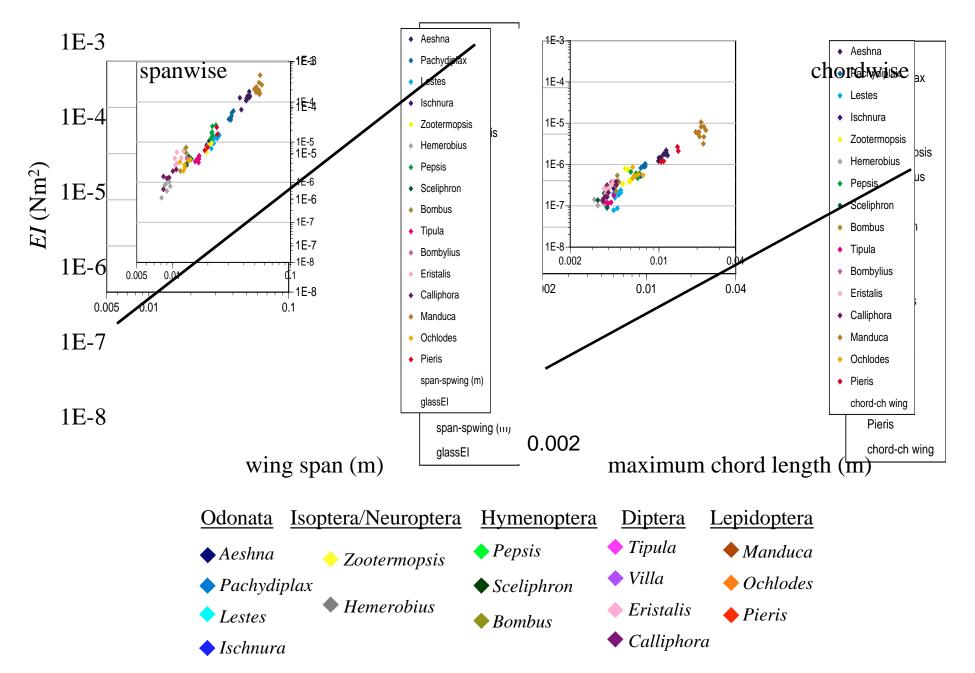
Measuring force and wing tip displacement



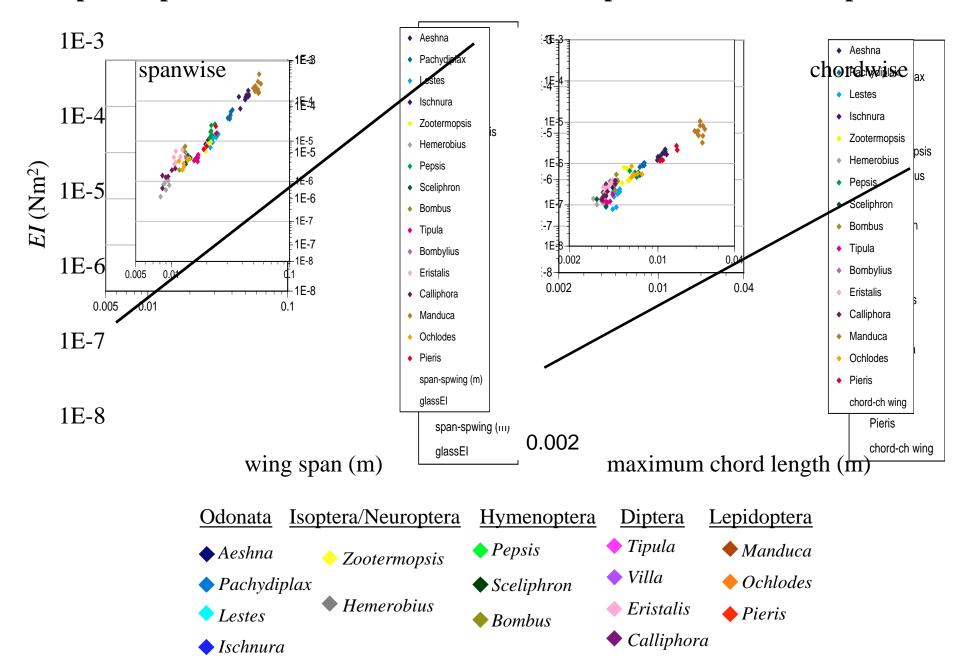
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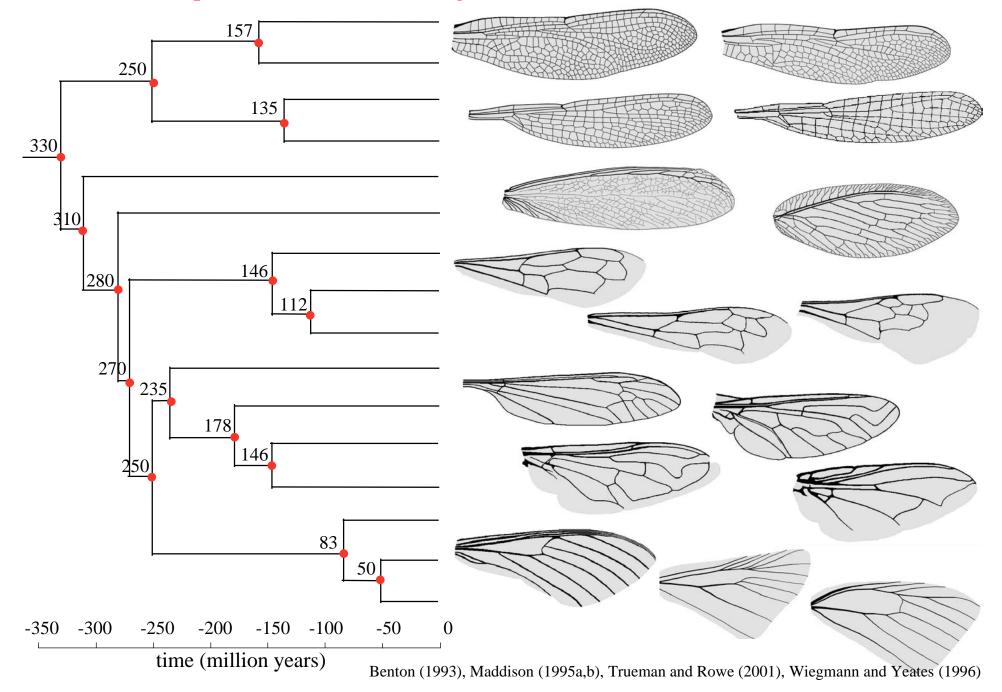




Spanwise and chordwise stiffness increase with wing size

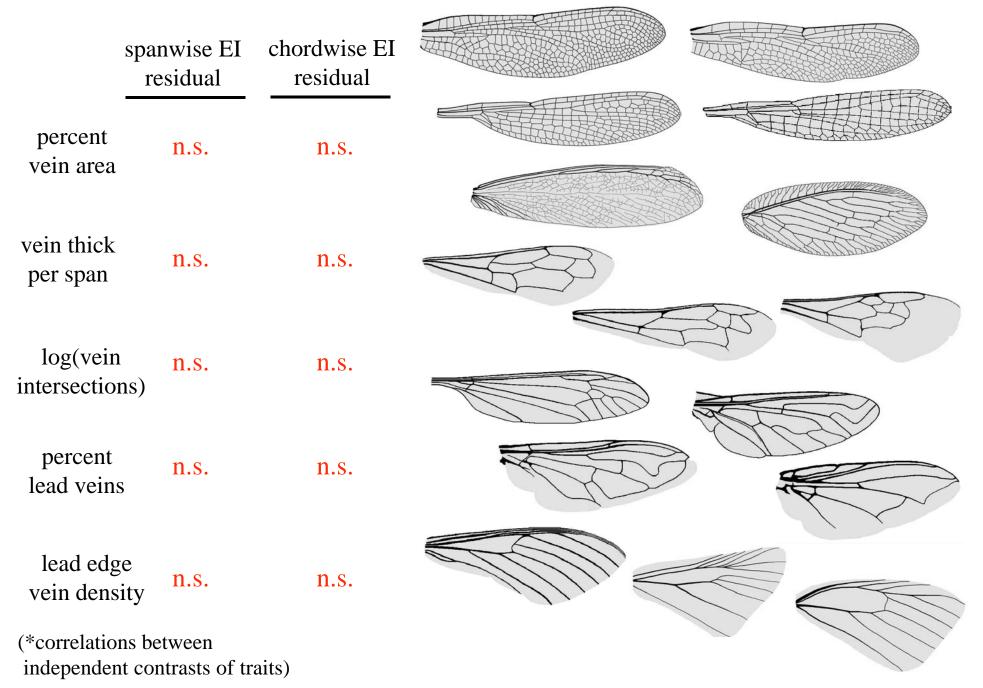


Is a species' position above or below this relationship related to venation pattern?

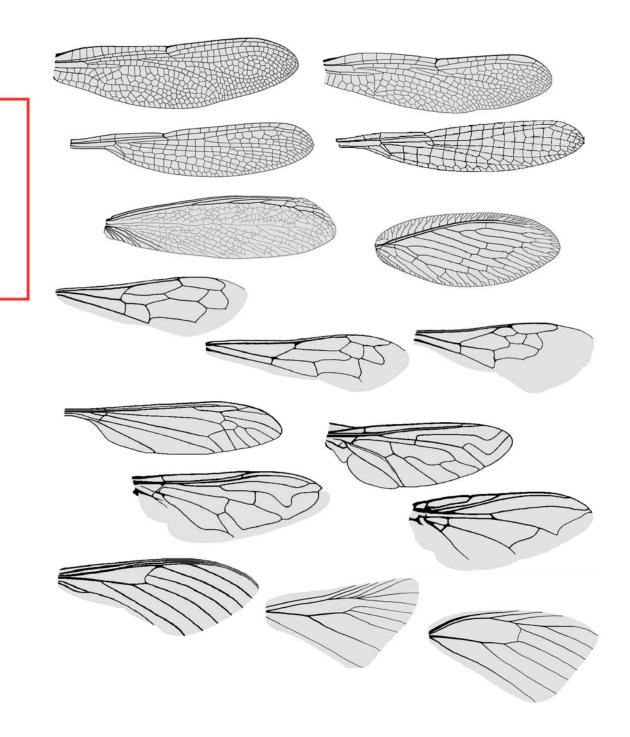


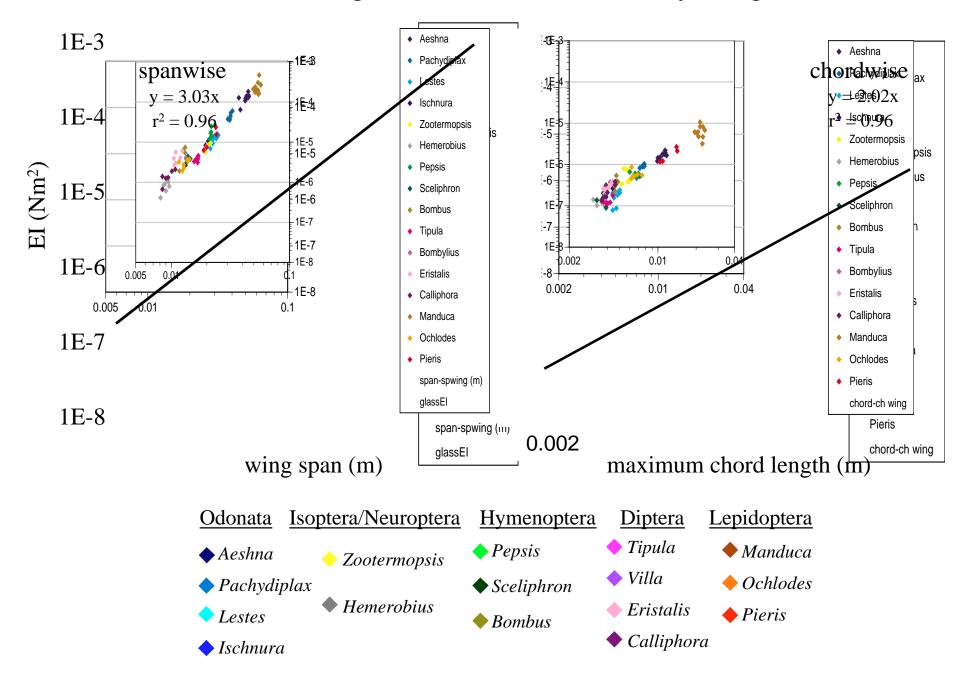
Calculate independent contrasts of wing stiffness residuals and venation traits

Is overall wing stiffness correlated with venation pattern? NO



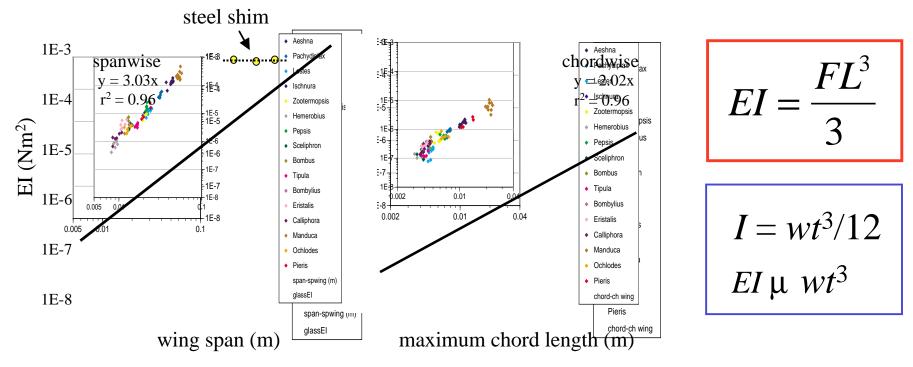
Despite enormous variation in the arrangement of wing veins, overall wing stiffness is independent of venation pattern!





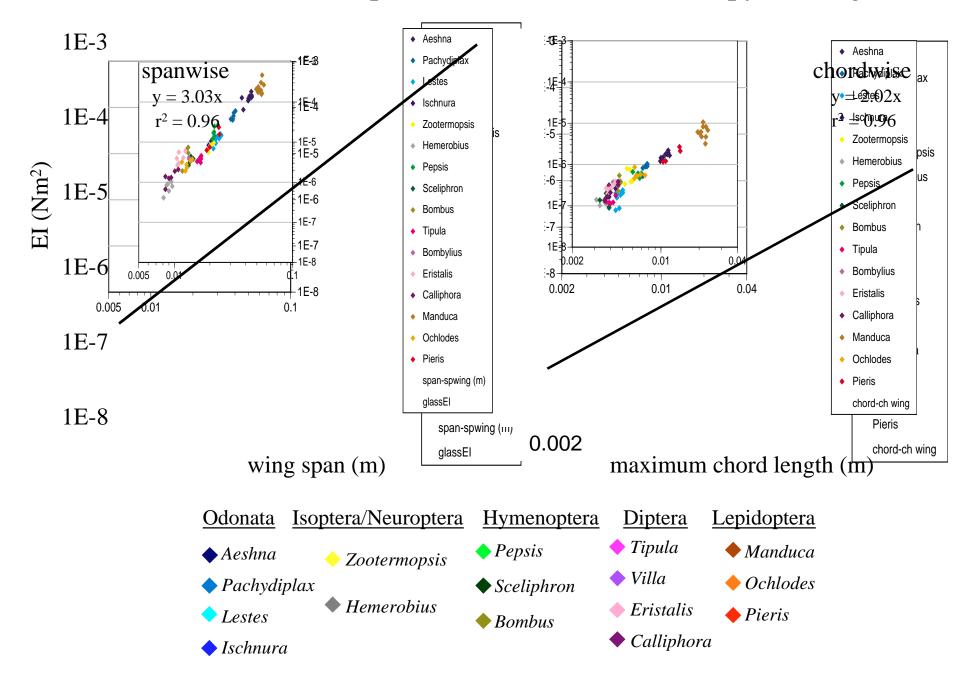
Variation in wing stiffness is dominated by wing size

Why is insect wing stiffness so strongly related to wing size?



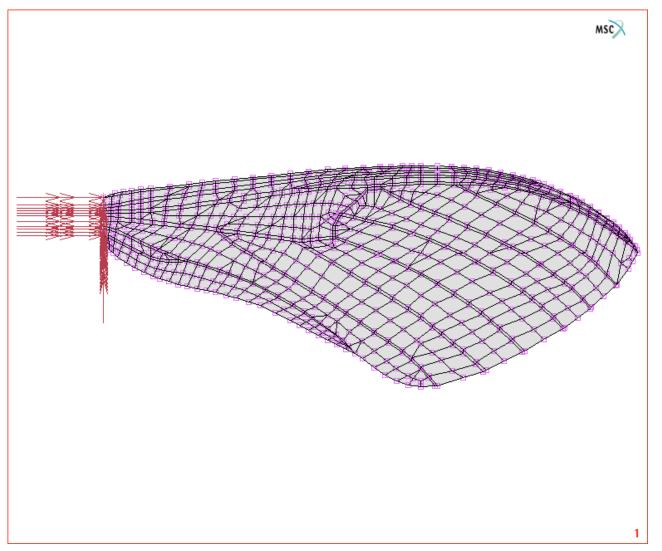
- EI is a measure of cross-sectional shape ONLY (length independent) But, insect wings get wider as they get longer.... $w \mu L$
- How does thickness scale with wing length?
 - -- if thickness scales isometrically with length, EI μ L^4
 - -- if thickness is independent of length (single layer of cuticle), EI μ L

Perhaps scaling of wing stiffness provides functional, rather than geometric similarity (i.e. constant /L)?.....



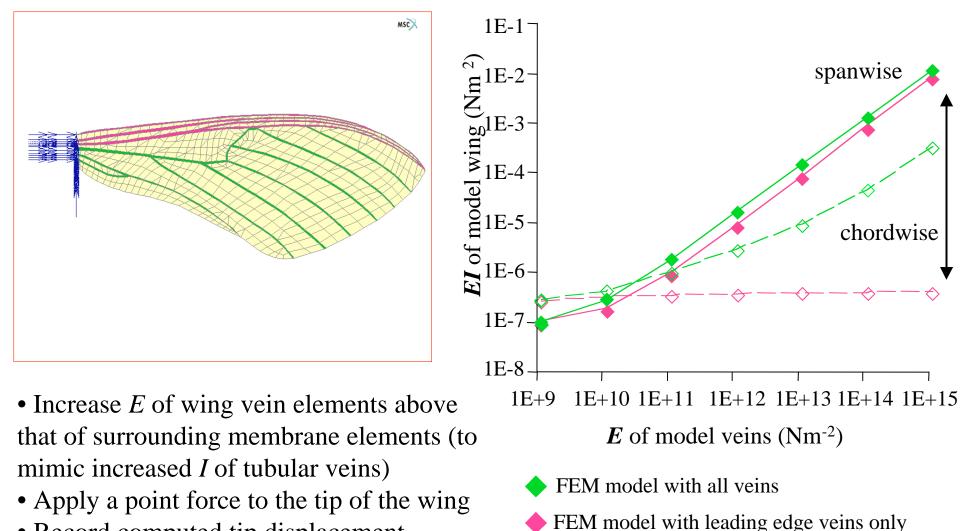
What is the source of spanwise-chordwise anisotropy in wings?

Finite element model of a moth wing



Divide wing into small, interconnected elements (flat plates)

• balance forces and moments around each simple plate and sum plates to find how whole complex structure behaves Are wing veins the source of spanwise-chordwise anisotropy? Leading edge veins generate spanwise-chordwise anisotropy



E of model membrane = 1E+9 Nm-2

- Record computed tip displacement
- Calculate EI of whole model wing

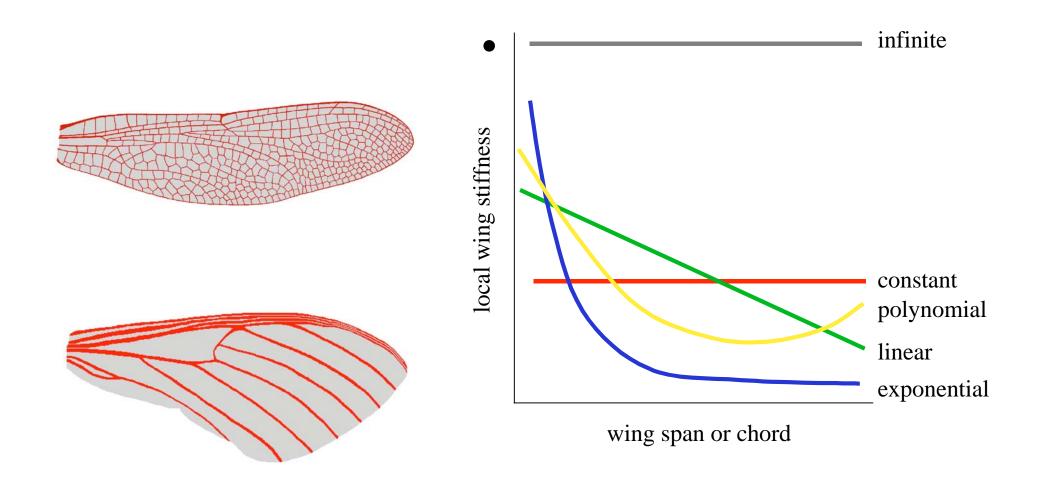
Are insect wings really homogeneous along their length?



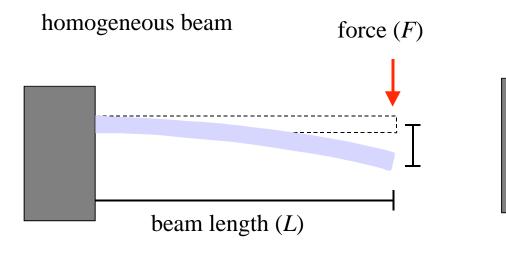
Manduca sexta

Aeshna multicolor

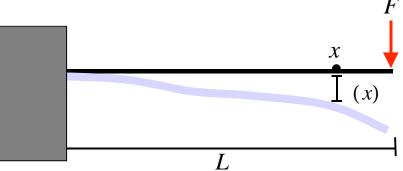
Possible patterns of spatial variation in wing stiffness



Calculating regional variation in stiffness



heterogeneous beam

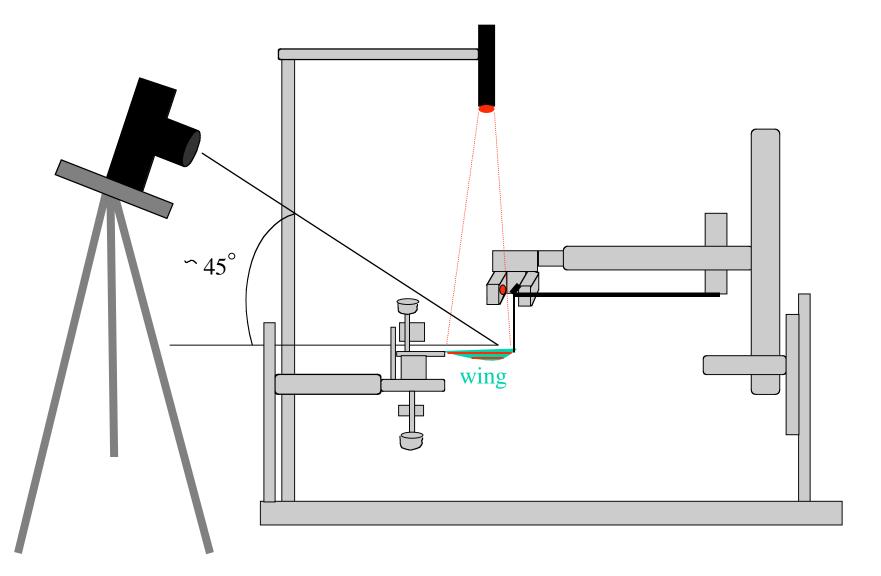


 $EI = \frac{FL^3}{3}$

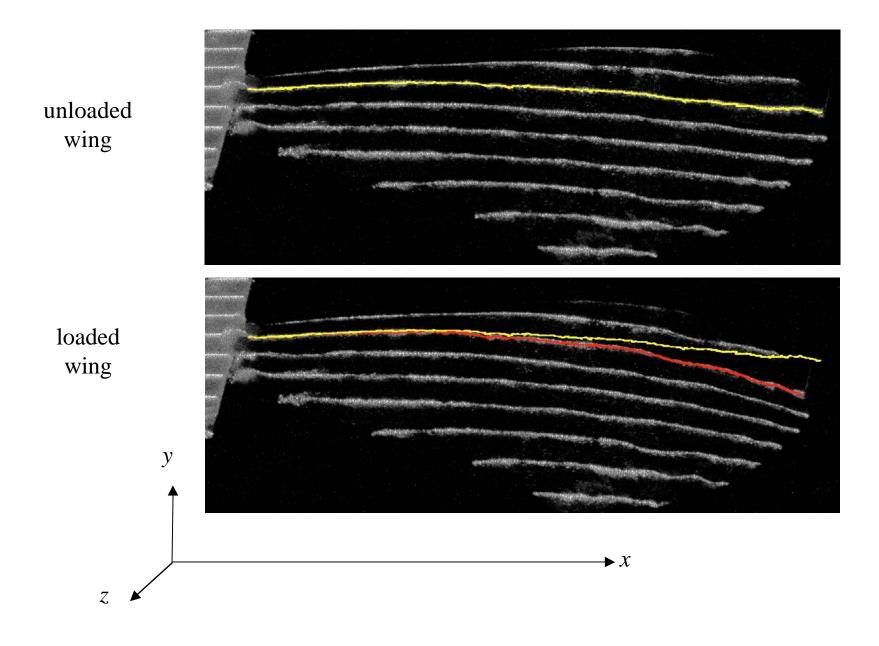
 $EI(x) = \frac{M(x)}{d^2 / dx^2}$

 $EI(x) = \frac{F(L - x)}{d^2 / dx^2}$

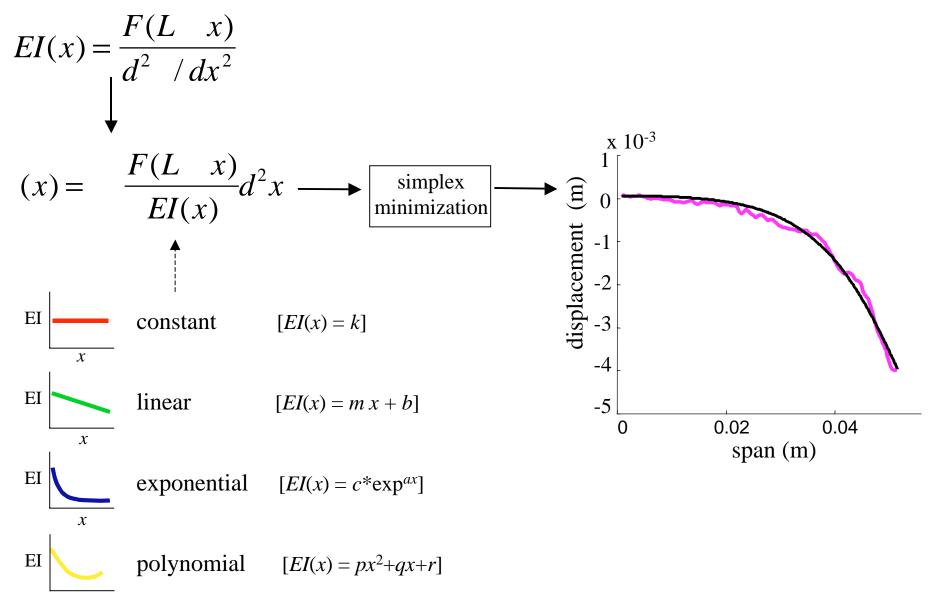
Measuring displacement continuously along a wing



Changes in the y-direction of the picture correspond to bending in the z-direction of the wing

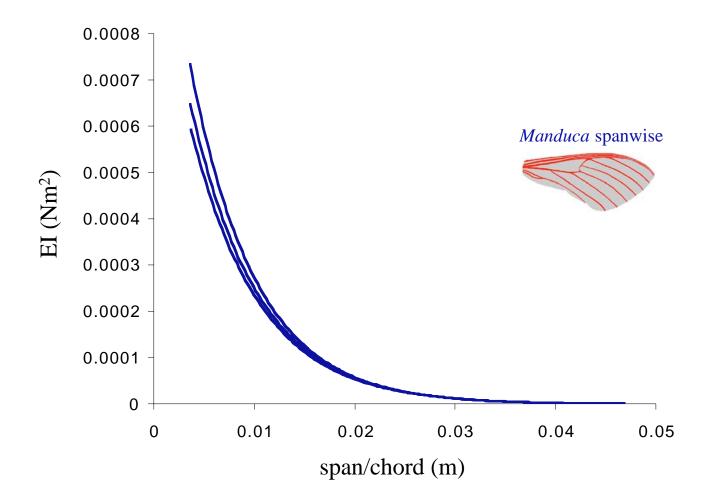


Solve for the EI distribution that best fits the measured wing displacement

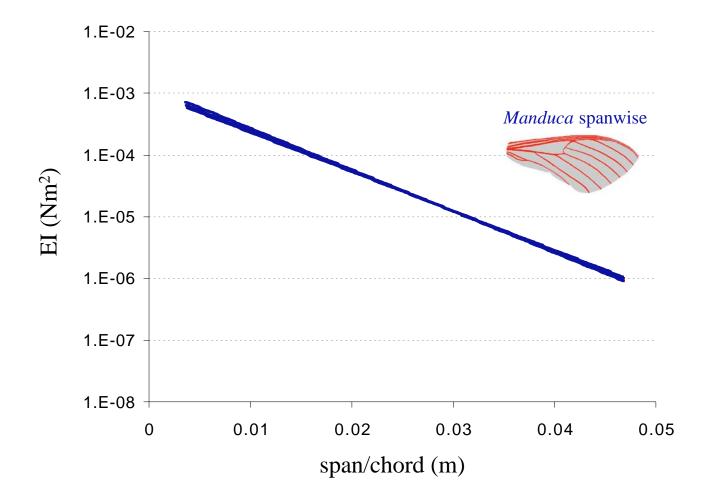


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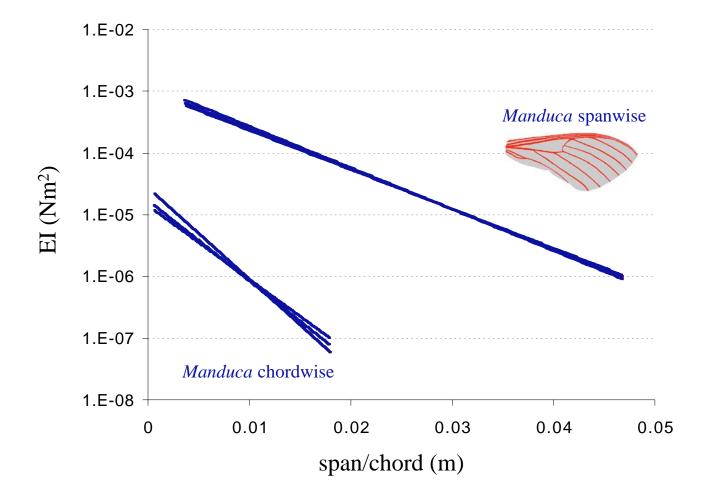
Spanwise wing stiffness declines exponentially in Manduca



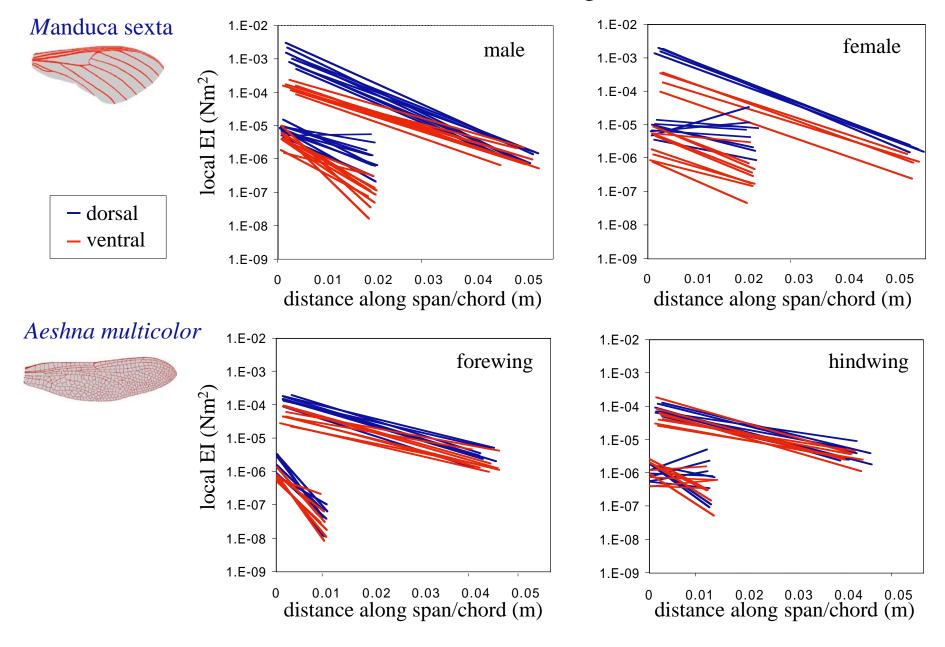
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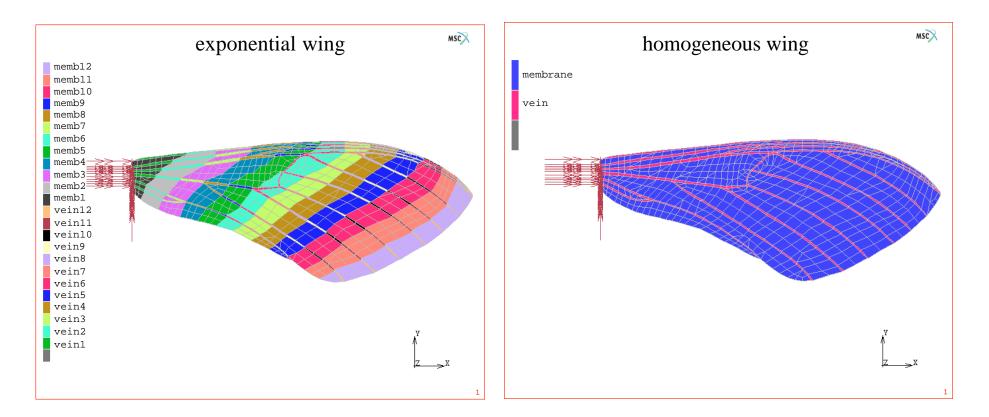
Chordwise wing stiffness decline exponentially in Manduca



Spanwise and chordwise stiffness decline exponentially in both hawkmoths and dragonflies



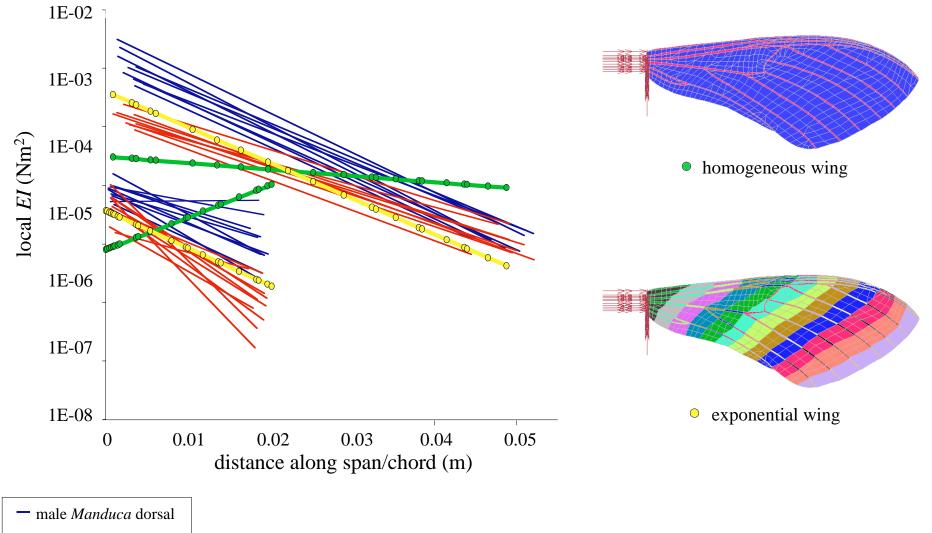
How does an exponential decline in stiffness affect wing bending?



Create a FEM wing in which material properties decline exponentially, but veins are stiffer than membranes to provide anisotropy

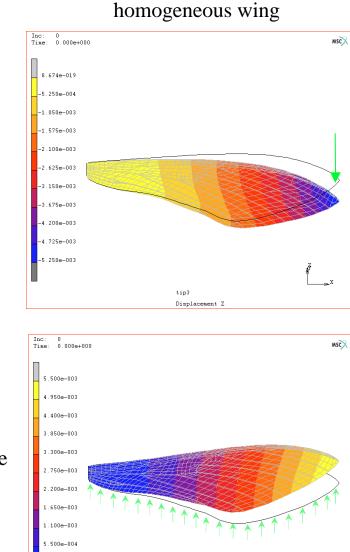
*adjust material properties of both models so average tip and trailing edge displacement is the same as in a real *Manduca* wing

How does the spatial pattern of stiffness in model wings compare to real *Manduca* wings?



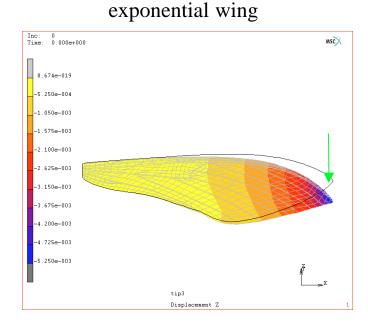
— male *Manduca* ventral

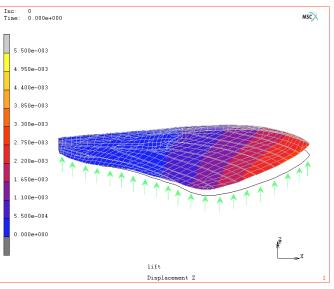
How do the model wings respond to a static load?



lift

Displacement Z





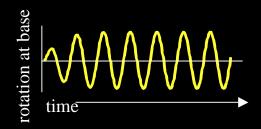
pressure force on lower surface

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point force

at tip

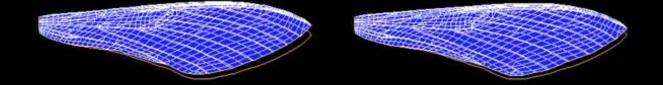
How do the model wings respond to a dynamic load?



An exponential decline in stiffness localizes wing bending to the tip and trailing edge of wings, where force production is most sensitive to changes in wing shape!

homogeneous wing

exponential wing



Biology 427 Biomechanics Lecture 13. Finite elements, joints and skeletons

- •Recap flexural stiffness (EI), design for minimum weight, and stress distributions.
- •Finite Element Analyses in Evolution
- Motion is permitted at joints with several degrees of freedom and low EI
- •Mechanical advantage and speed ratio (those moment (or torque) balances)
- Rhinogrades: an enigmatic taxon

Project proposals: due Friday, February 6

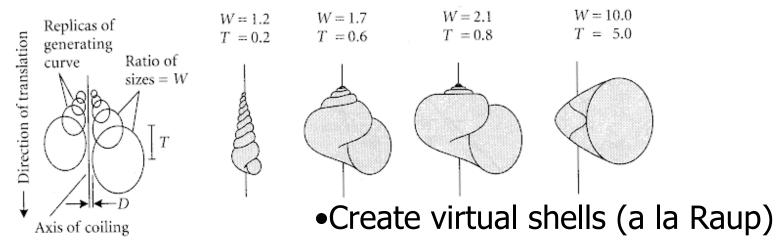
Proposals should be <u>no more than</u> 3 double-spaced pages, and should address the following:

- What is your question?
- Why is your question important/interesting?
- What is known about your question? (give background from literature*/web searches)
- How will you develop a quantitative analysis of your problem? (you do not need to provide any equations in the proposal, but should explain the quantitative approach/steps you will take)

•**Read "Advice for preparing projects" on the webpage*!

Does curvature reduce the stresses that result from predators?

Numerical experiments on shell shapes



•Imbue them with mechanical characteristics that represent extant shells (Young's modulus = 1 GPa)

•Place point forces that mimic crushing predators.

- •Examine the stress distribution.
- •Explore how coiling affects stress distribution.

Finite Element Analysis

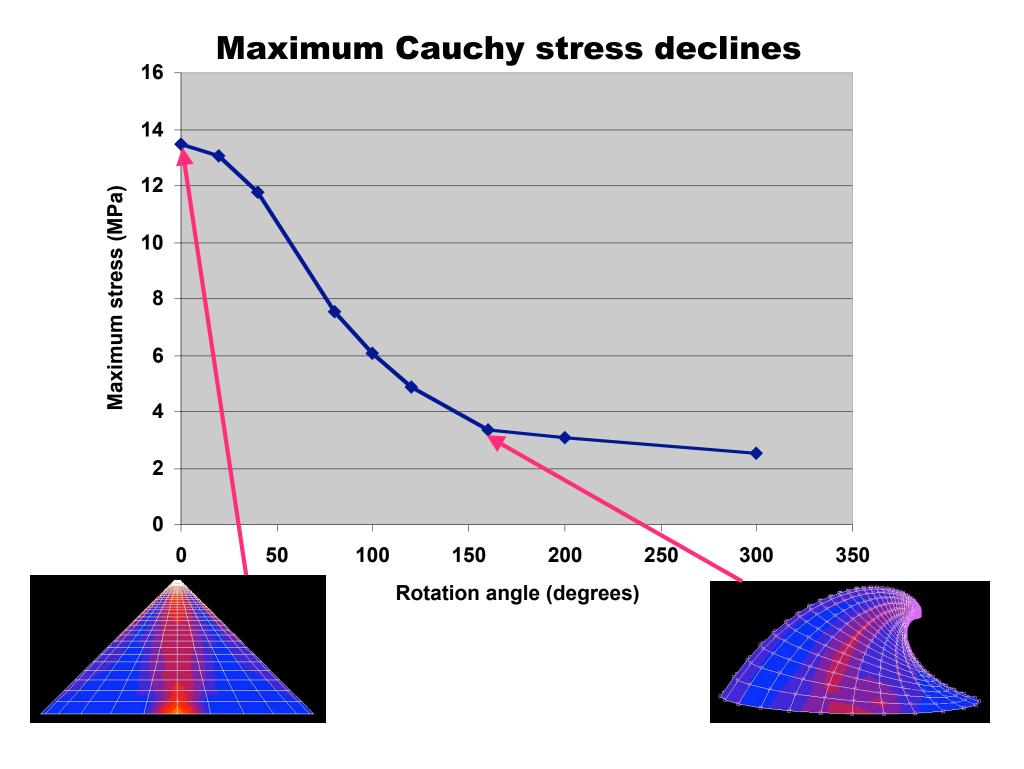
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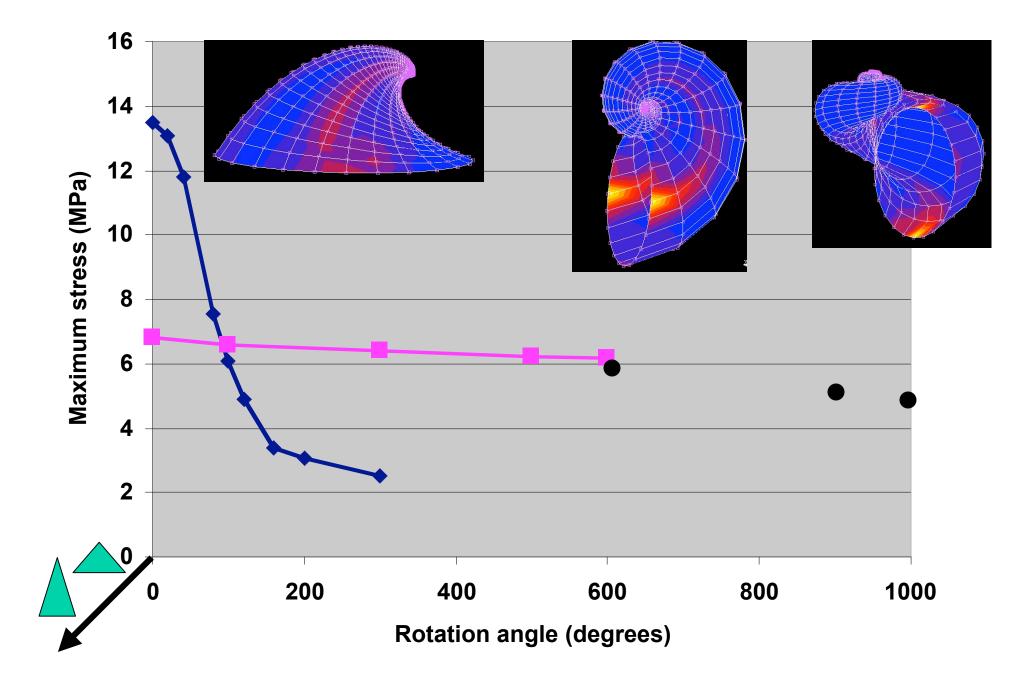
How do size and shape affect the magnitude and distribution of stress?

1 N

E = 1 GPat = 0.5 mm

-1 N





Brief review of skeletons

Mechanical support
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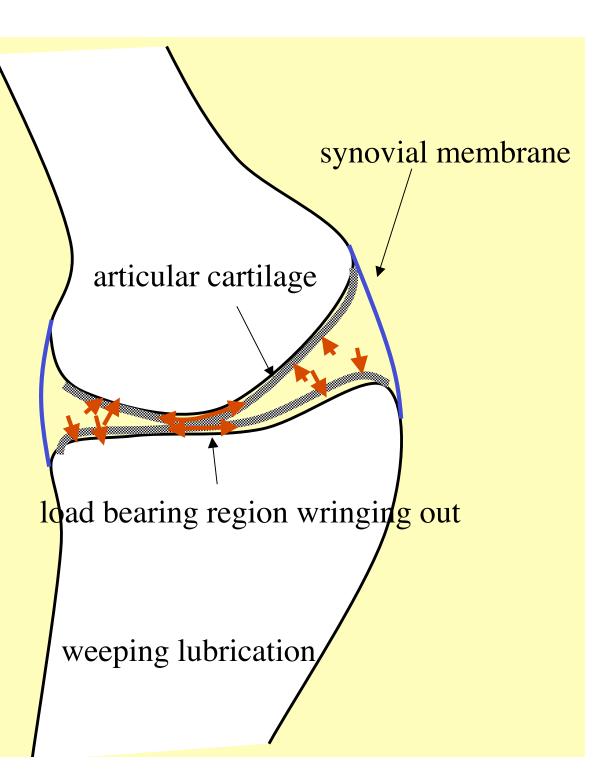
Rigid and flexible elements: Endo- and exoskeletons
Fluid filled cavities: hydraulic skeletons
Solid muscle: muscular hydrostats
Protein filaments: cytoskeleton

Rigid elements connected by joints with (potentially) six degrees of freedom ry Х r_x **Requires** low resistance to r_z distortion

Commonly 1 - 3 degrees/joint. Multiple single degree joints give (low EI, *lubrication*)

cruciate ligaments constrain knee motions

coefficient of friction is about 0.003 good ball bearings ~0.02



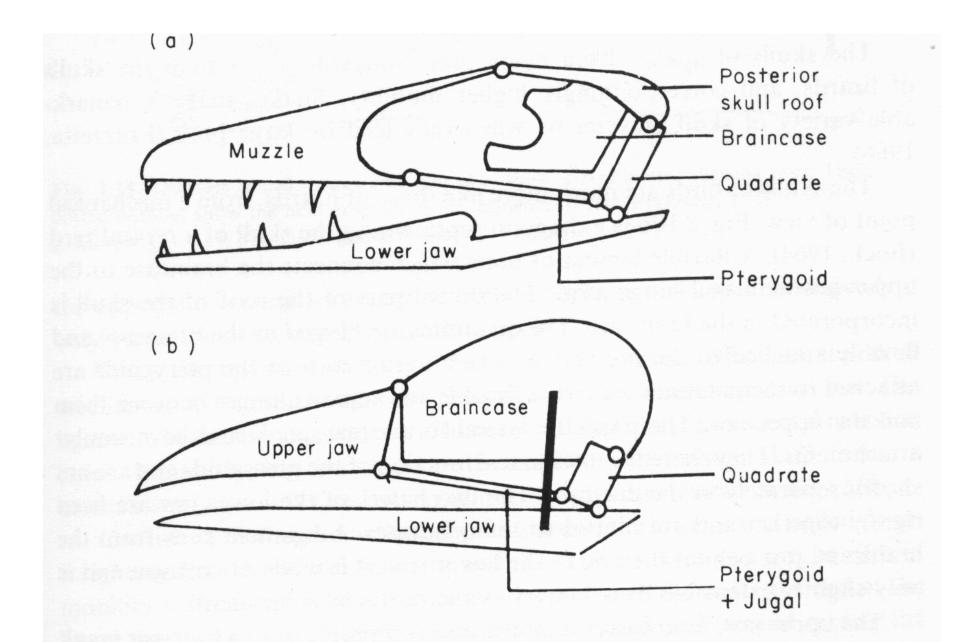
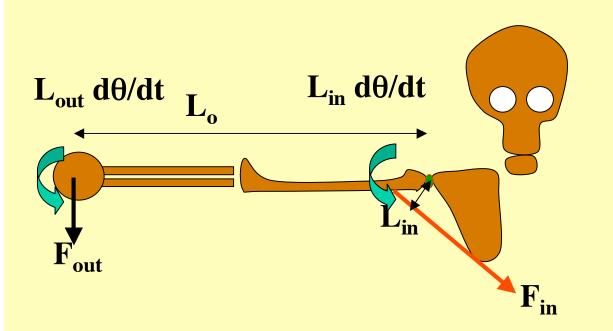


Fig. 2.10. The mechanisms of the kinetic skulls of (a) a monitor lizard (*Varanus*) and (b) a bird. The postorbital ligament of the bird is shown black.

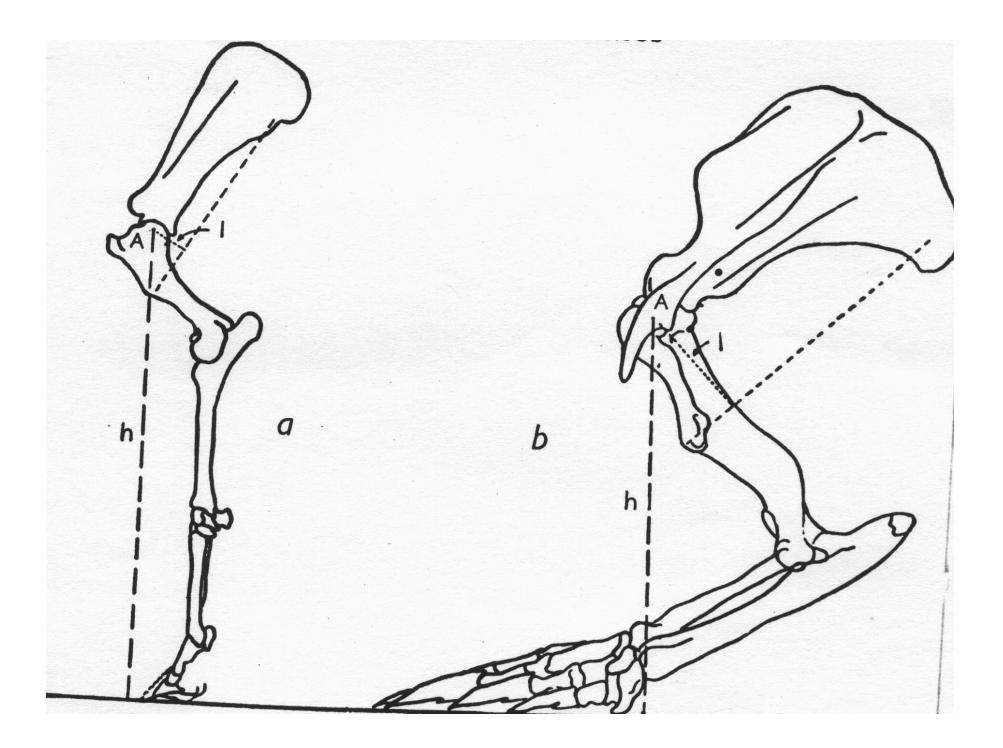


At static equilibrium $M_{in} = M_{out}$ $F_{in} L_{in} = F_{out} L_{out}$ $F_{out}/F_{in} = L_{in}/L_{out}$ = Mechanical Advantage

The speed ratio

 $\frac{L_{out} d\theta/dt}{L_{in} d\theta/dt}$

$$= L_{out/}L_{in}$$



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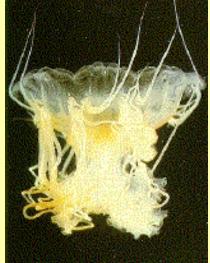
- Recap skeletal systems, joints, mechanical advantage, speed ratio
- Worms, tongues and tentacles: Hydrostats and muscular hydrostats for support and movement
- Staying put: Mechanisms of adhesion

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Functions of skeletal systems
Mechanical support
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Energy storage

antagonistic muscles/materials are needed to return elements to original position after a motion

Elements of skeletal systems resist compression, tension or both

<u>struts</u> - can take both tension and compression (i.e. bones)

<u>ties</u> - resist tension only (i.e. tendons)

<u>incompressible elements</u> (i.e. water-filled cavities or muscle)



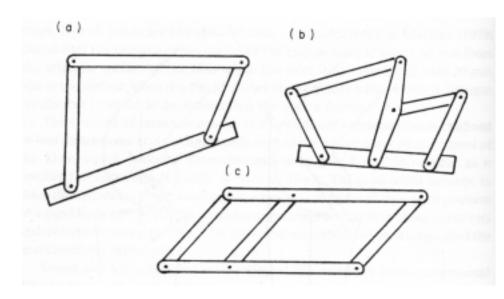


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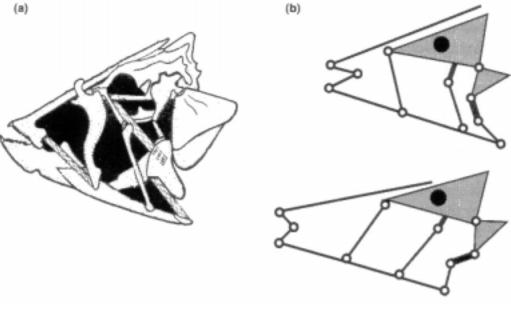


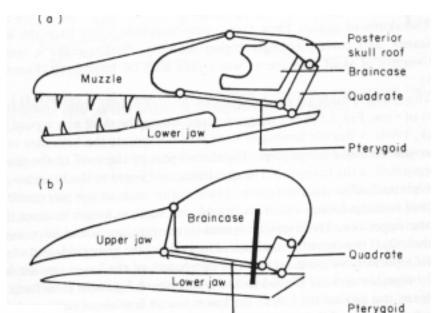


Articulated struts can have multiple linkages



(a)

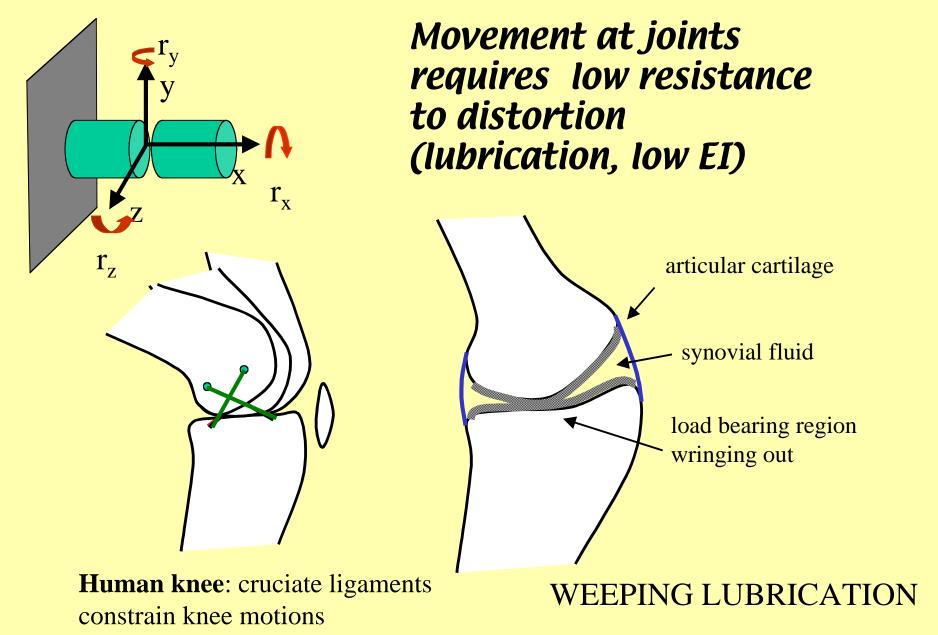




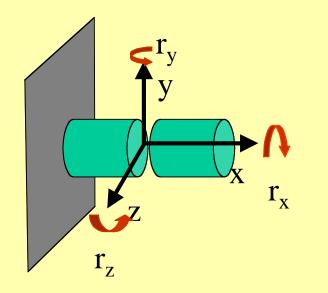
slingjaw wrasse

- 11 jaw linkages
- protrusion to 65% head length in 1/30 s
- acceleration = 100 m/s^2
- snout speed = 5 mph

Most biological joints contain 1-3 rotational degrees of freedom

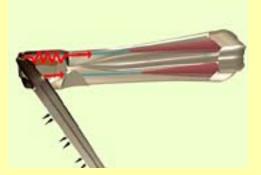


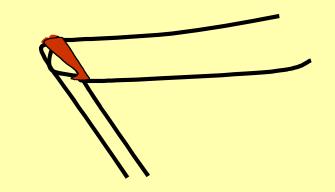
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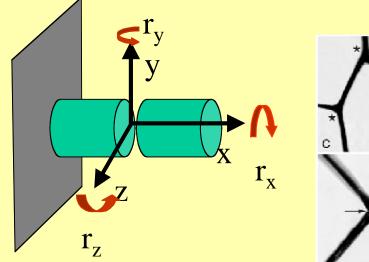
Movement at joints requires low resistance to distortion (lubrication, low EI)

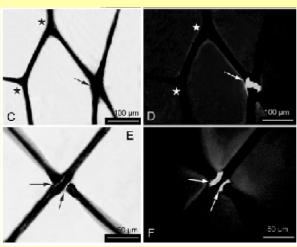
Arthroidal membrane (untanned insect cuticle - low *EI*)



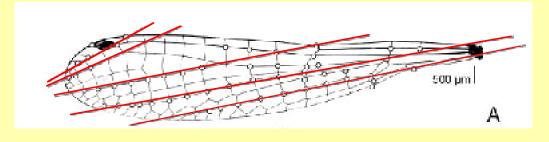


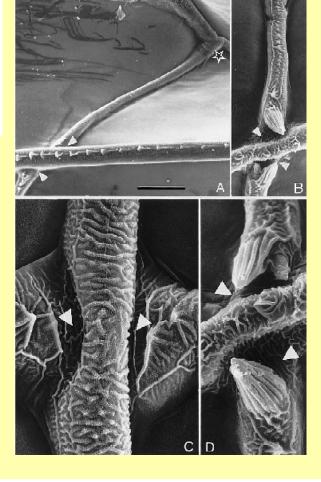
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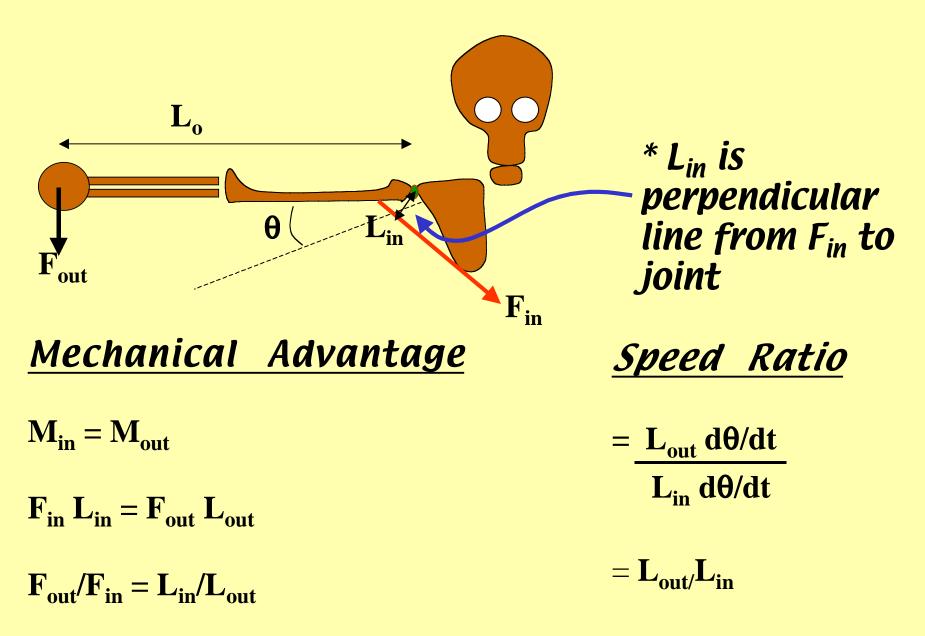
*damselflies have mobile *resilin* wing vein joints (Gorb, 1999)





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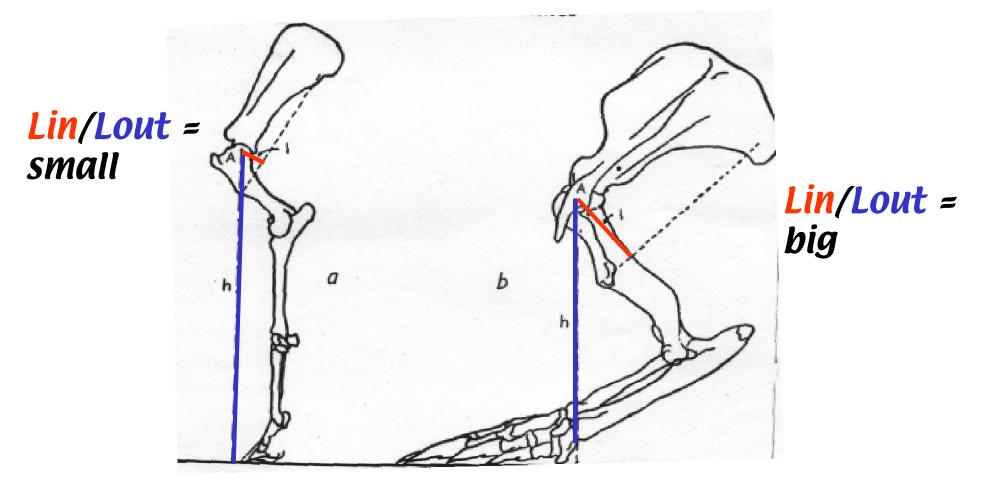
Speed vs. Strength in articulated support systems



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Horse: low mechanical advantage high speed ratio FAST

Armadillo: high mechanical advantage low speed ratio STRONG

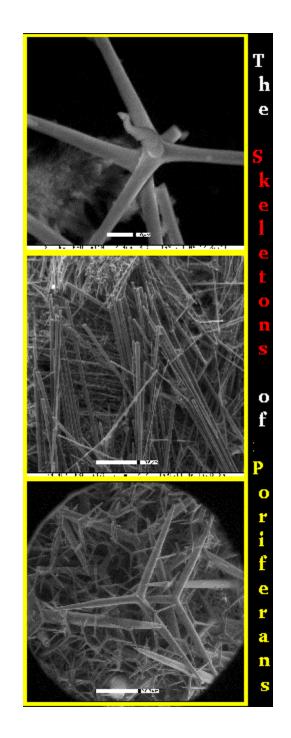


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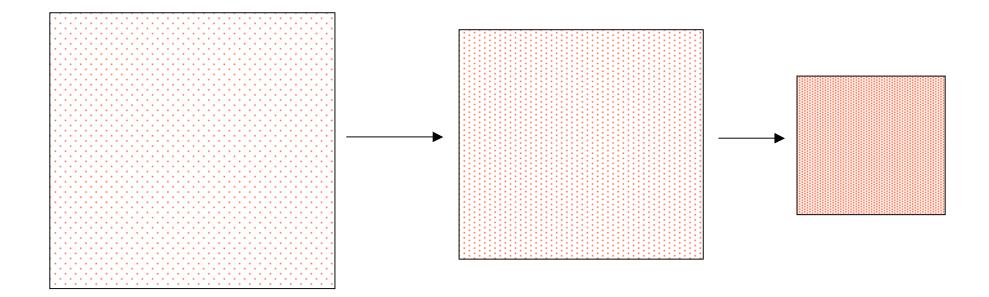


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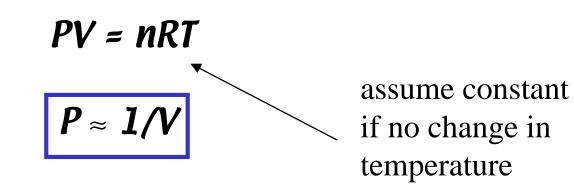
A very quick introduction to fluids and pressure.....



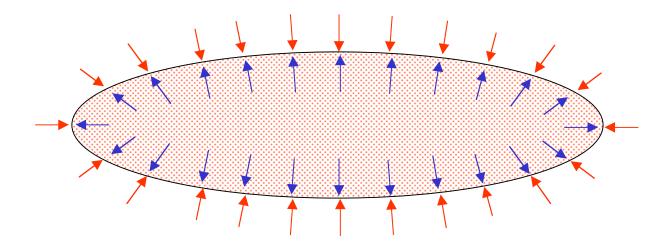
chamber filled with gas molecules

lower volume = higher pressure

•pressure and volume inversely proportional in gases

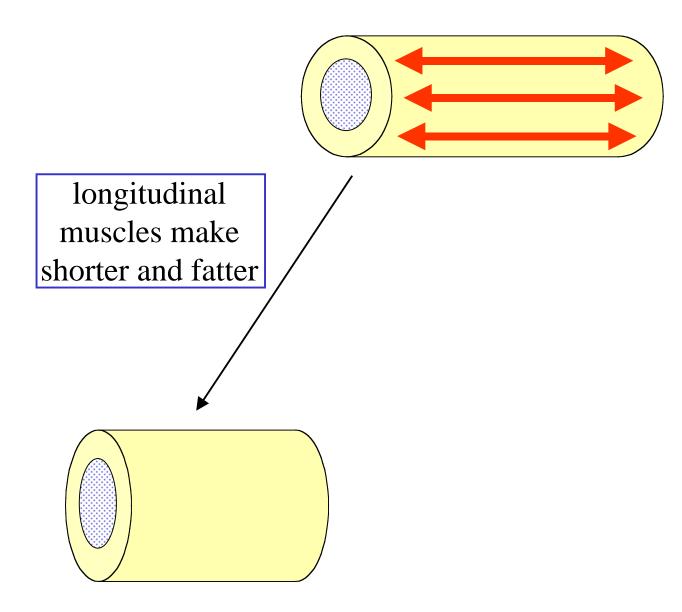


Hydrostats are fluid-filled structures under internal pressure

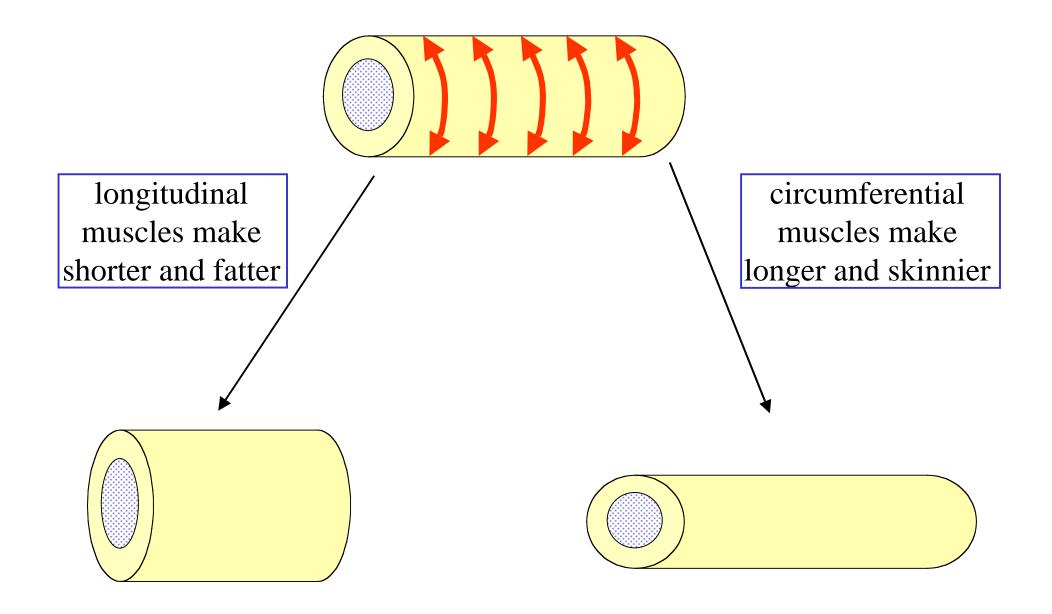


- pressurized fluid exerts an outward force on the membrane (membrane is in tension)
- membrane exerts an inward force on the fluid
- fluid is essentially incompressible, so hydrostats can behave like "solid" structures that muscles can act upon

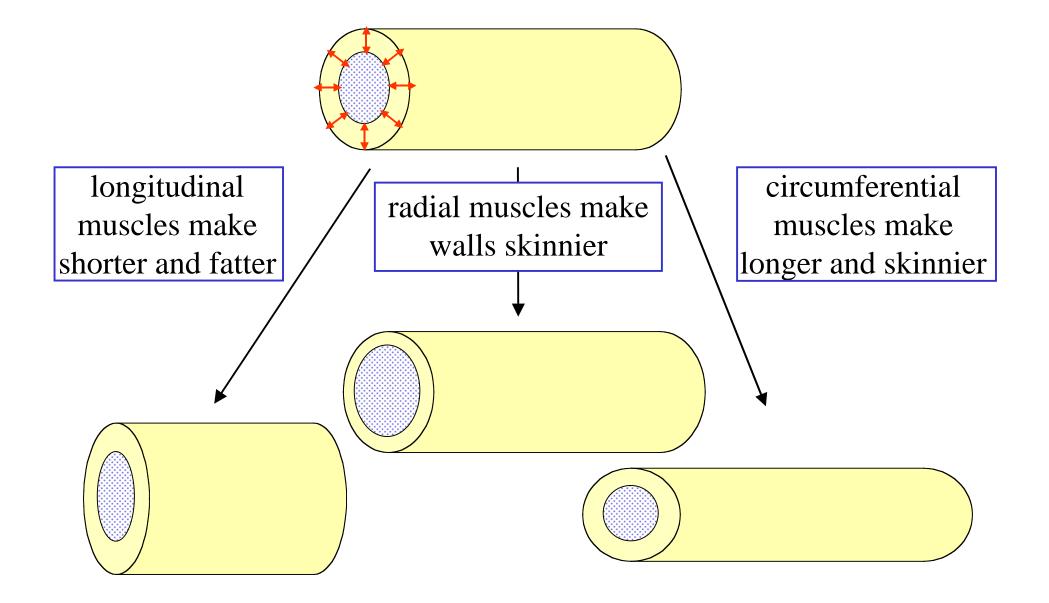
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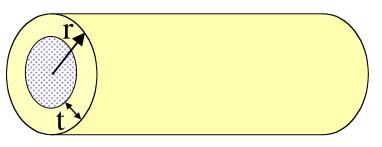


Biological hydrostats are often cylindrical



Shape changes in hydrostats can drive locomotion or provide support





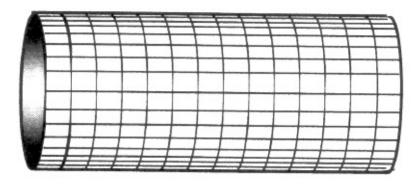
 $\Delta P = pressure difference$

Circumferential
stress:Longitudinal
stress: $\sigma_{\rm C} = \Delta {\rm Pr/t}$ $\sigma_{\rm L} = \Delta {\rm Pr/2t}$

*smaller cylinders can withstand relatively larger pressure differences *cylinders with thicker walls can withstand larger pressure differences

But... this means cylinders will bulge outwards twice as fast as they will lengthen

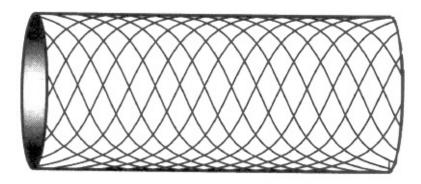
Hydrostat behavior can be controlled by tensionresisting fibers in the outer membrane



<u>longitudinal and</u> <u>circumferential fibers</u>

•cylinder resists compression and tension, high flexural stiffness

- local buckling with large compressive loads
- low resistance to torsion

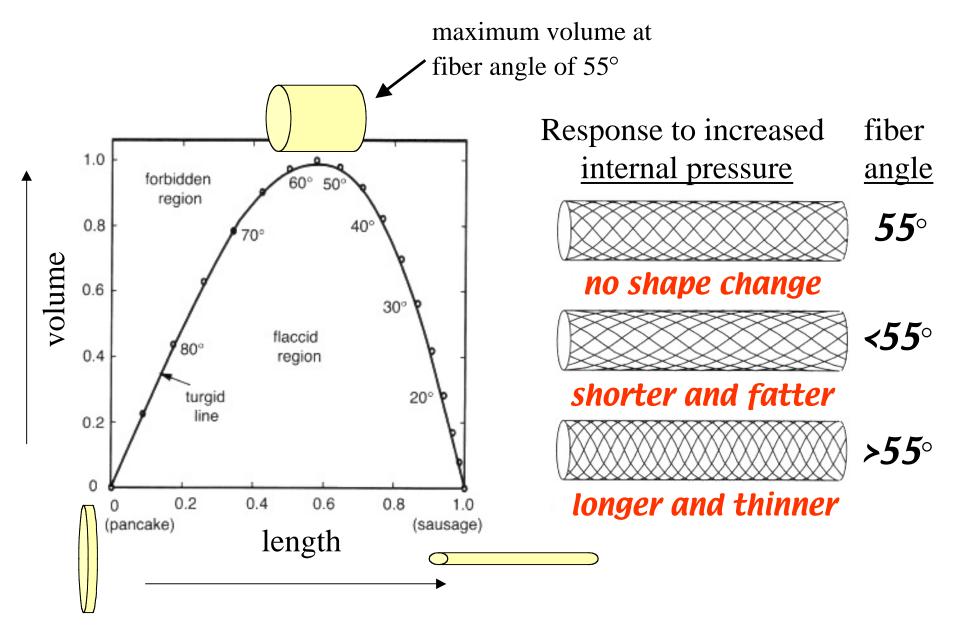


<u>helical fibers</u>

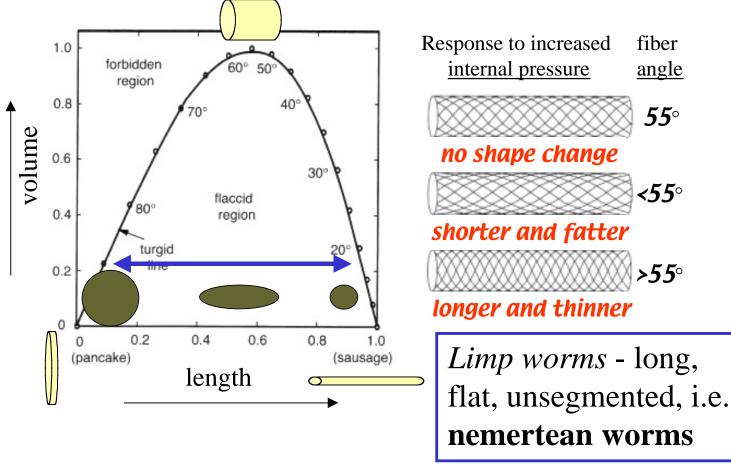
lengthens and shortens
 smoothly, bends more easily
 less prope to local

- less prone to local buckling
- high resistance to torsion
- more common in biological systems

The angle of helical fibers determines the behavior of fiber-reinforced hydrostats



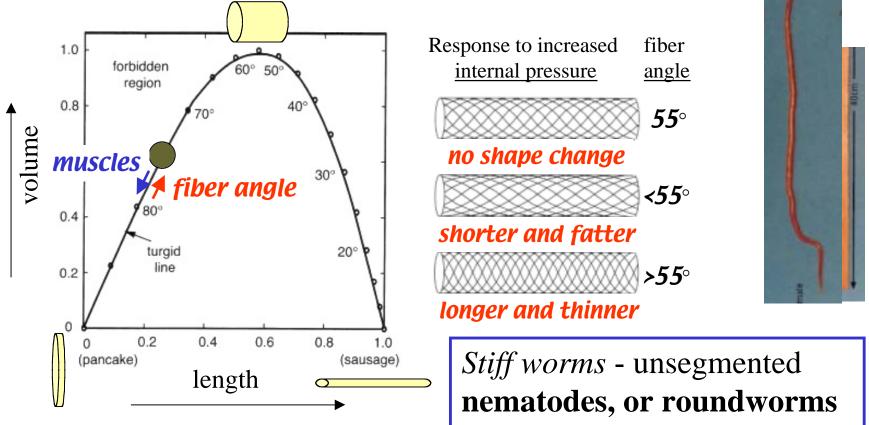
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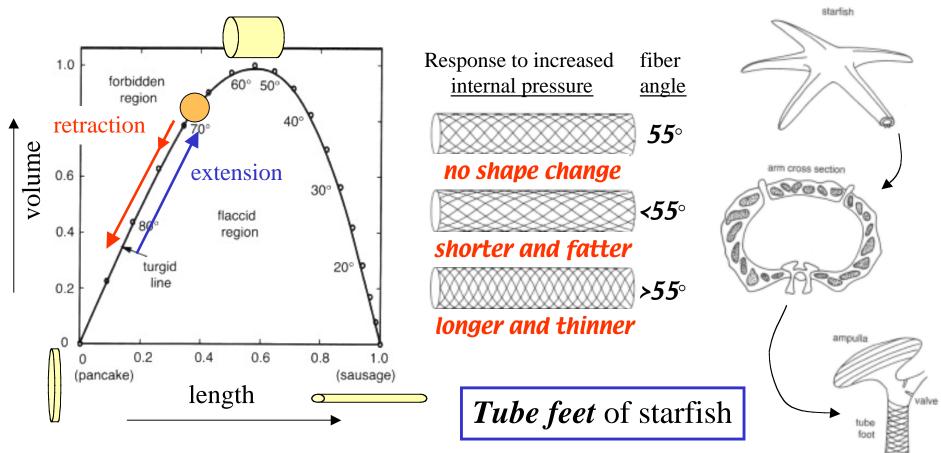
- Lie in flaccid region because not circular cylinders (not full volume)
- Contraction of longitudinal muscles makes shorter and more round
- Contraction of circumferential muscles makes longer and more round

The angle of helical fibers determines the behavior of fiber-reinforced hydrostats



- Strong cuticle, round cross-section, LONGITUDINAL MUSCLES ONLY
- Ascaris (intestinal parasite) has a fiber angle of 75°
- Because volume cannot change, contraction generates pressures of up to 30 kPa worms also get a little shorter
- Recoil of fibers to lower angle antagonizes the action to restore shape

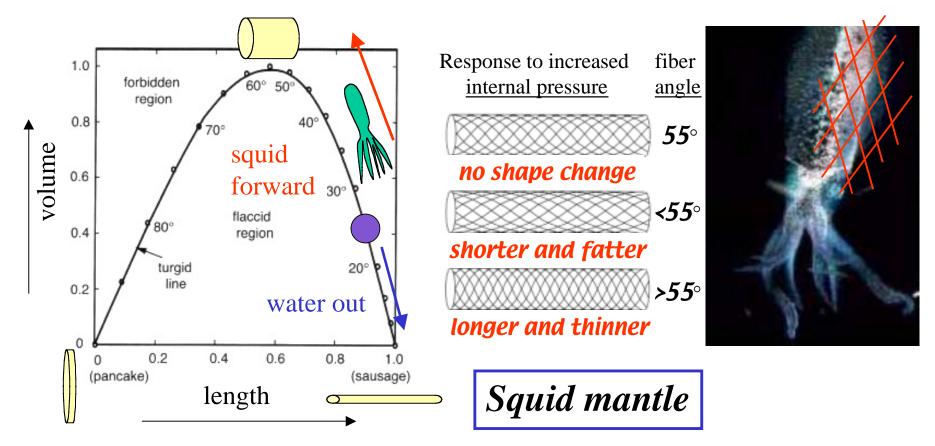
What if hydrostat volume can change?



• Tube foot has *longitudinal muscles only* and fibers at an angle of $\sim 67^{\circ}$

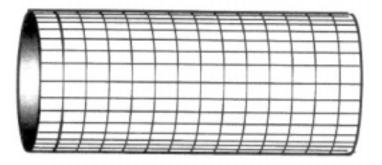
- Contraction of longitudinal muscles makes shorter, but fiber angle resists shortening
- Pressure rises and fluid is expelled into ampulla --> foot retracts
- When ampulla contracts, fluid is expelled back into tube foot and foot extends

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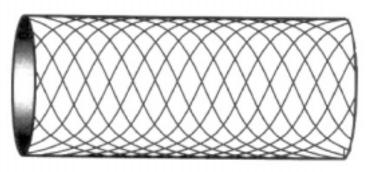


- Squid mantle has *circumferential muscles only* and fibers at an angle of $\sim 25^{\circ}$
- Contraction of circumferential muscles tends to extend mantle
- Extension at low fiber angle implies a reduction in volume
- Water squirts from mantle and squid accelerates in opposite direction

Do any biological structures use longitudinal and circumferential fibers instead of helical?



longitudinal and circumferential fibers •cylinder resists compression and tension, high flexural stiffness



helical fibers

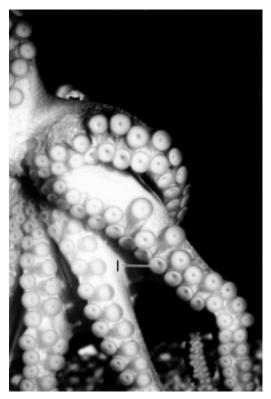
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Mammalian penises depend on hydrostatics for functioning, and fibers run longitudinally and circumferentially, not helically

* Fiber orientation provides high stiffness and minimizes shape changes and compression

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 - *muscular hydrostats* contraction of one group of muscles causes extension of another group (i.e. trunks, tentacles and tongues)

Muscular hydrostats rely on the fact that muscles themselves are incompressible



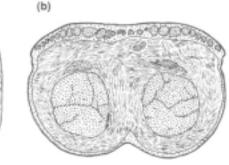


Muscles wrap around each other
Contraction of one group
causes extension of the other
because volume cannot change

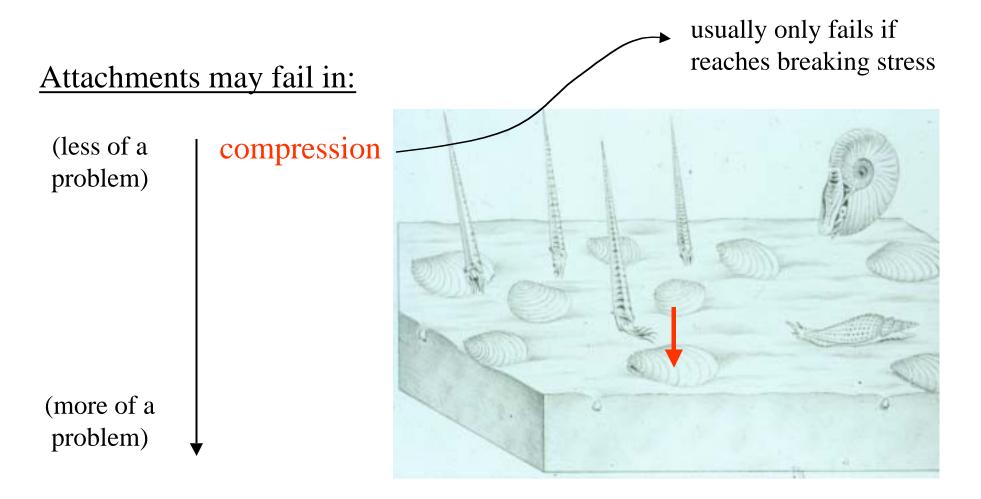
squid tentacle

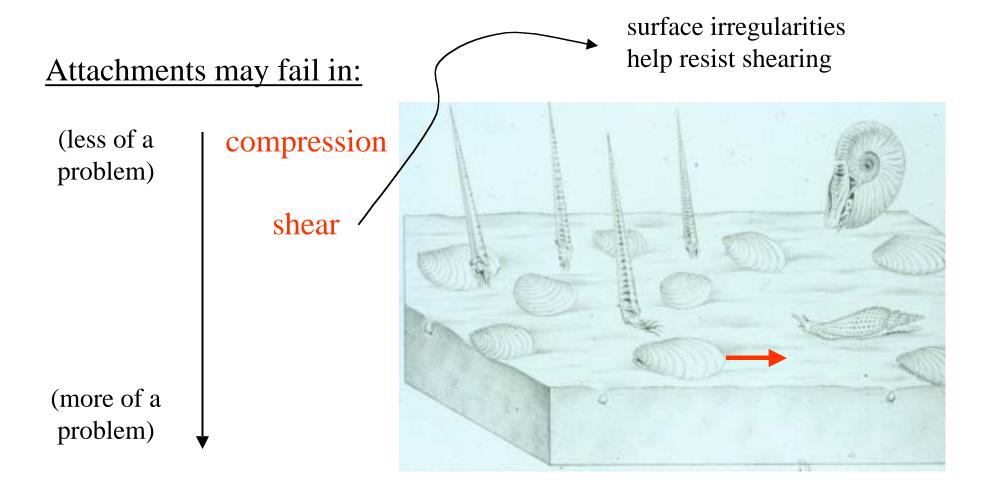
acle lizard tongue

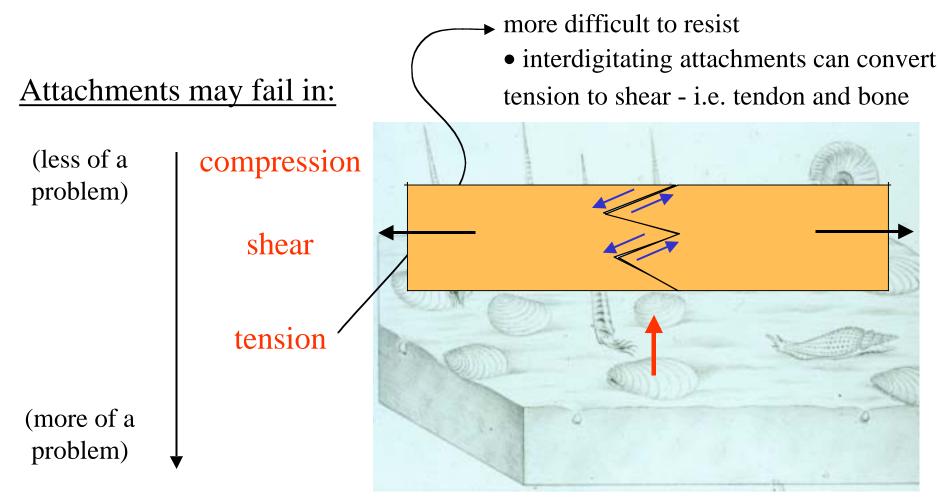
elephant trunk

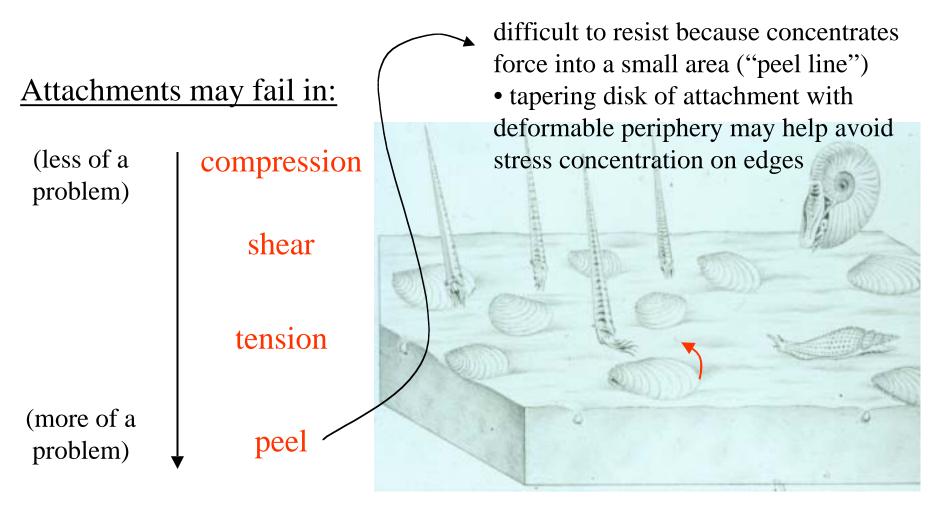


trunk

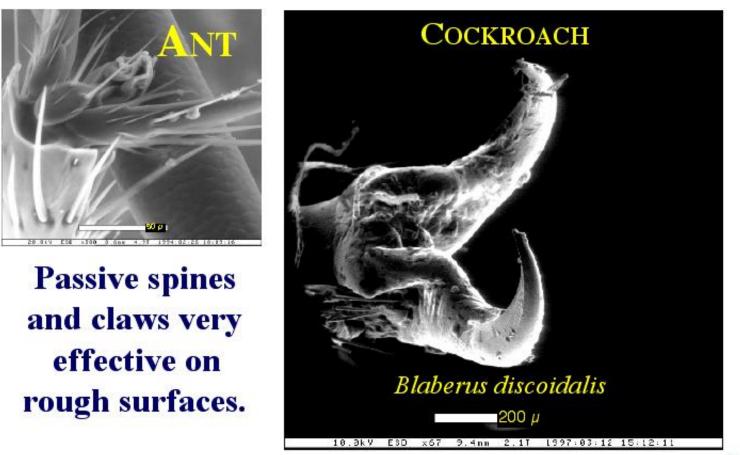








• Interlocking devices - hooks, spines or claws

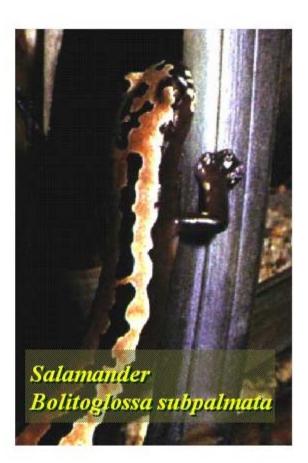


• Interlocking devices

• Suction - adhesion depends on pressure difference between fluid inside suction cup and atmosphere

> Slow locomotion, high duty factor, move only one foot at a time.

Effective only on smooth surface.



- Interlocking devices
- Suction

• Extruded goo - glue, mucus etc. that fixes animal to substrate

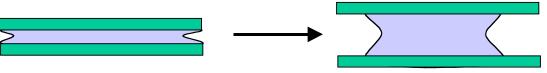
- Stefan adhesion - thin layer of viscous fluid resists shear

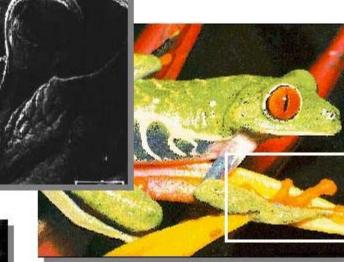




- Interlocking devices
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• Capillary action thin layer of water between two surfaces resists pulling apart because surface tension of water acts to reduce air-water interface









Tubercles enhance capillary adhesion. Locomotion: moderate speed, walking gait.

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- Intermolecular forces

- electrostatic attraction - interaction between charged ions

- polar interactions - attraction between molecules with a charge separation (i.e. hydrogen bonds in H_20)

van der Waals forces - transient interactions
 between positive and negative portions of molecules
 as electrons rotate to opposite sides of orbits

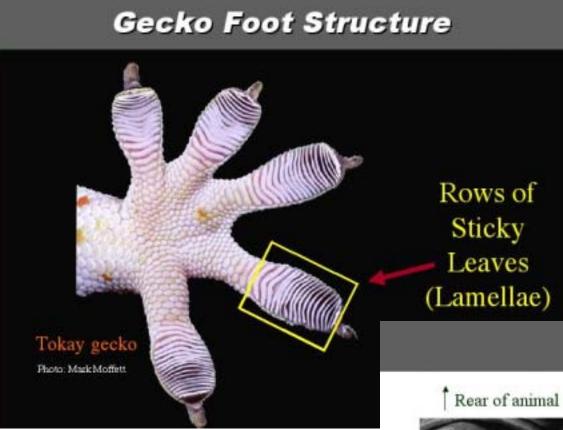
Geckos can run upside down, accelerate on polished glass, and hang from one toe.....

How do gecko feet adhere to surfaces so well?



Huge diversity of gecko feet.....









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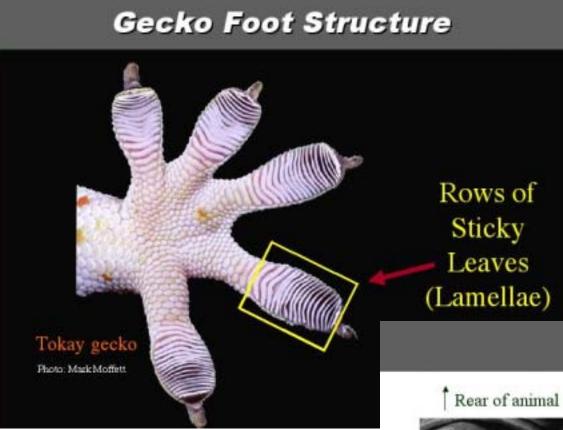
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How do gecko feet adhere to surfaces so well?

- *Interlocking devices* \rightarrow no hooks, can run on perfectly smooth surface
- **Suction** \rightarrow dead geckos remain stuck to a wall in a vacuum (no pressure difference for suction to function)
- *Extruded goo* \rightarrow no glands in feet, no footprints on surfaces
- *Capillary action* \rightarrow toes are hydrophobic, stick equally well to hydrophobic and hydrophilic surfaces
- Intermolecular forces
 - *electrostatic attraction* → works in ionized environment
 - *polar interactions* → works on nonpolar surface
 - van der Waals forces ??????







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