

# Cardiac output

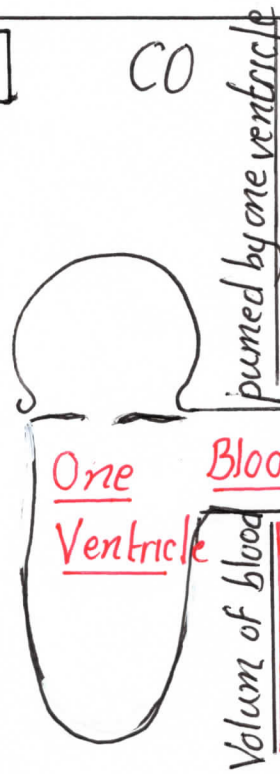
CO

## Definitions:

- Stroke volume (SV)

- Cardiac output (CO), (Minute volume)

- Cardiac index (CI)



Beat

$$SV = EDV - ESV$$

$$130 - 60$$

Minute

$$CO = SV \times HR$$

$$70 \times 70$$

Minute / sq. m.

$$5 / 1.7$$

$$3.2 \text{ L} / \text{m}^2$$

## Various conditions that affect CO:

### Increased:

- Excitement & anxiety up to 100%
- Exercise up to 700%
- Eating 30%
- Exposure to high temp.
- Epinephrine
- End of pregnancy

### Decreased:

- Sitting or Standing from lying 30%
- Rapid arrhythmia
- Heart diseases

### No change:

- Sleep
- Moderate change in temp

Determination of CO:  $CO = SV \times HR$   
 SV = EDV - ESV measured by echocardiogram

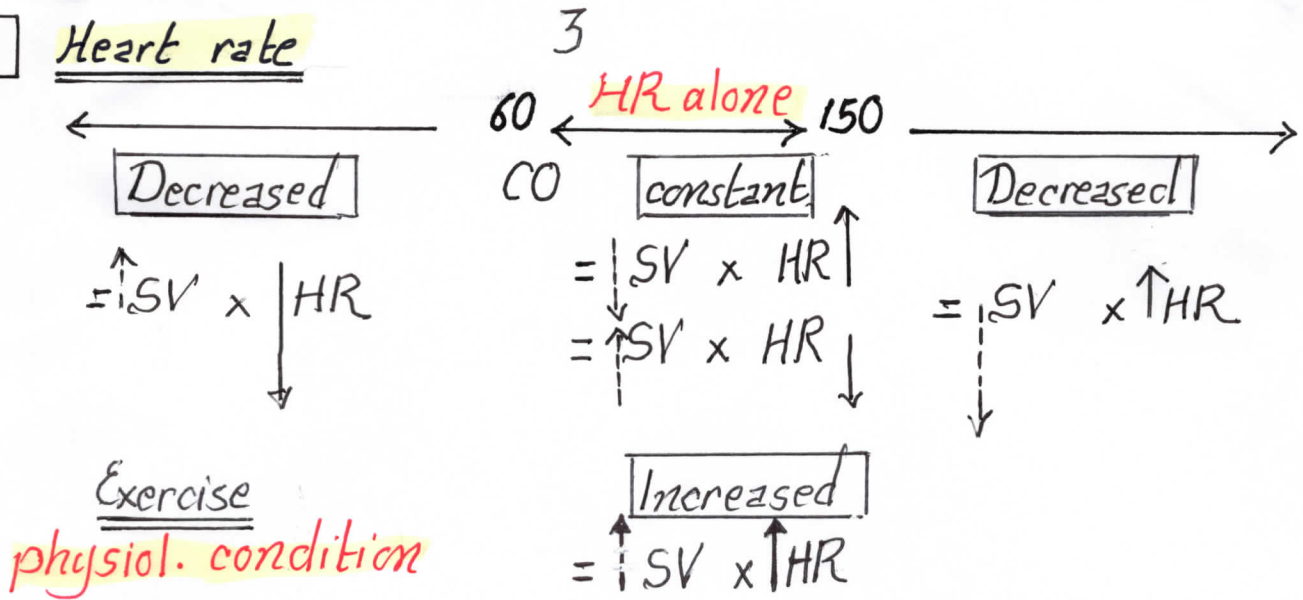
## Control of CO:

refer to performance

① HR More important

② SV ++ by 1 ++ preload affects EDV  
 2 == afterload ,, ESV

1 Heart rate



2 Stroke volume

1 Preload = Degree of stretch of C. myocytes before cont

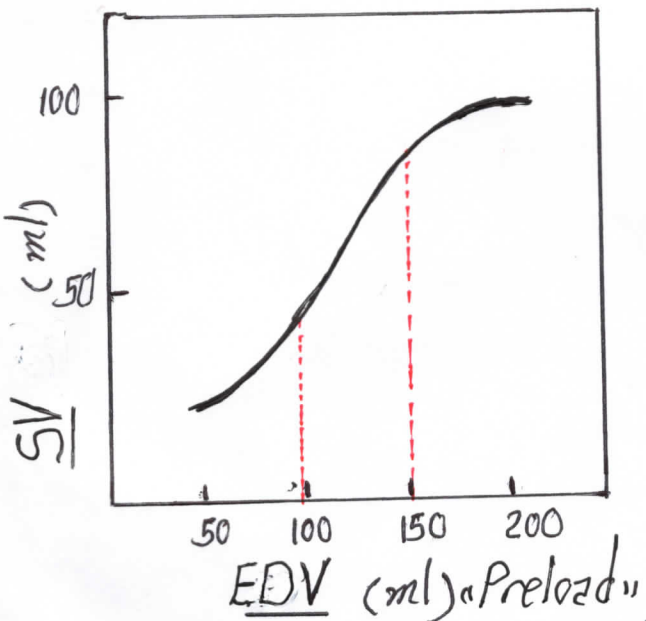
Volume Measured by

Sarcomere length  
Myocyte

EDV (intact heart)  
Depends on VR (RAP)

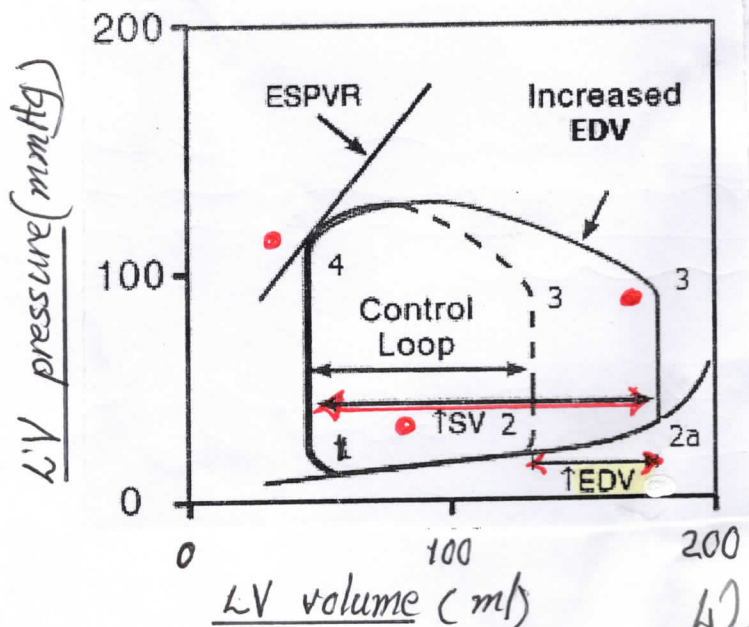
re Starling law

Heterometric autoregulatory mech.



Relationship between EDV and SV

SV ∝ EDV within limits



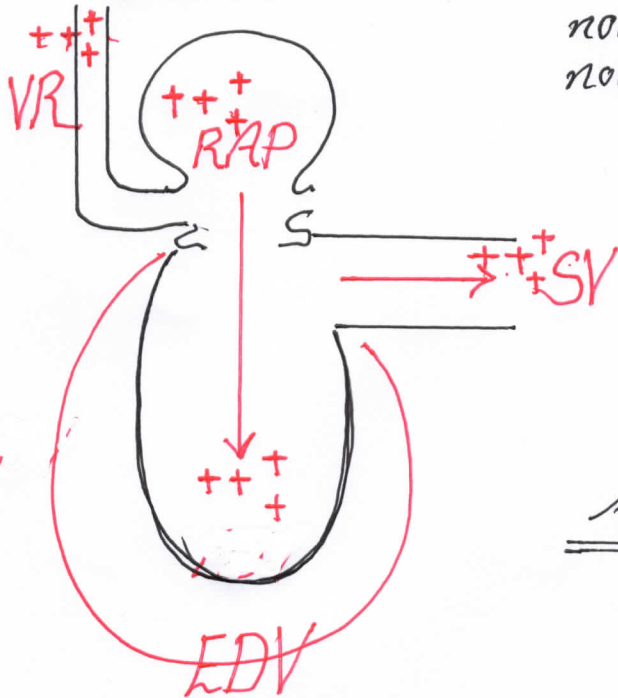
Effect of EDV on pressure-vol. loop  
dashed line loop is control loop before ++ EDV

Hetero

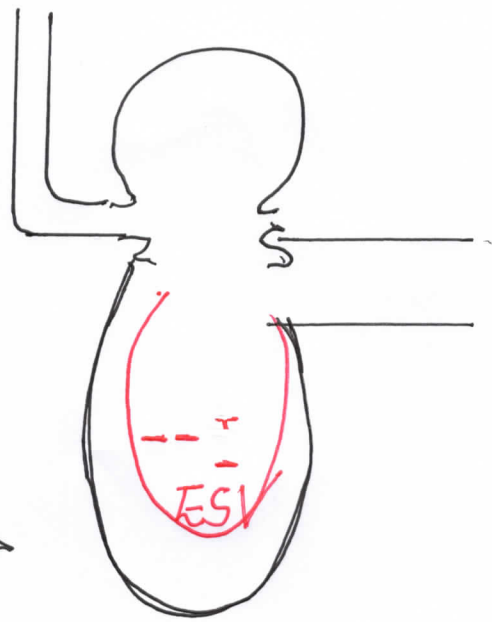
metric autoregulation

Homeo

not nervous  
not hormonal



After  
5 min

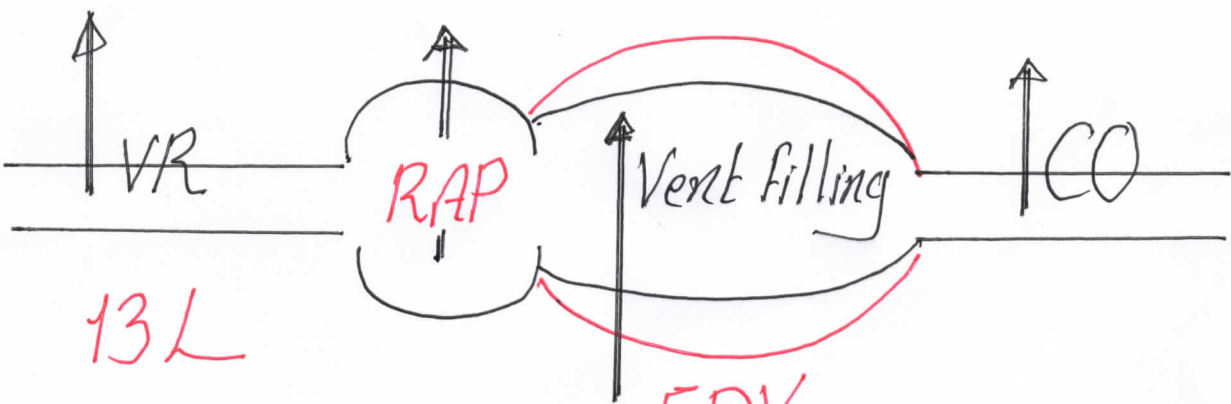


$$\uparrow SV = \uparrow EDV - ESV$$

Hetero

$$\uparrow SV = EDV - \downarrow ESV$$

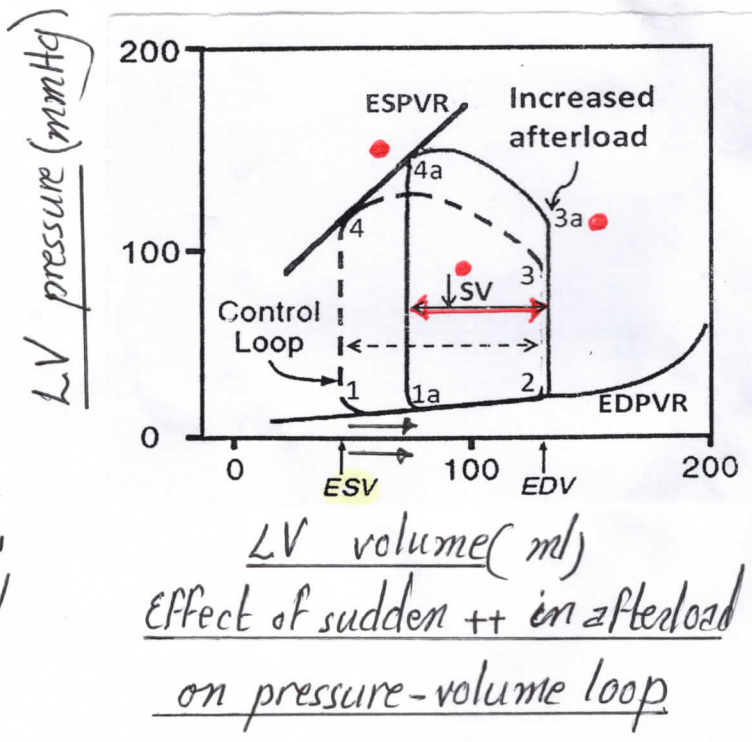
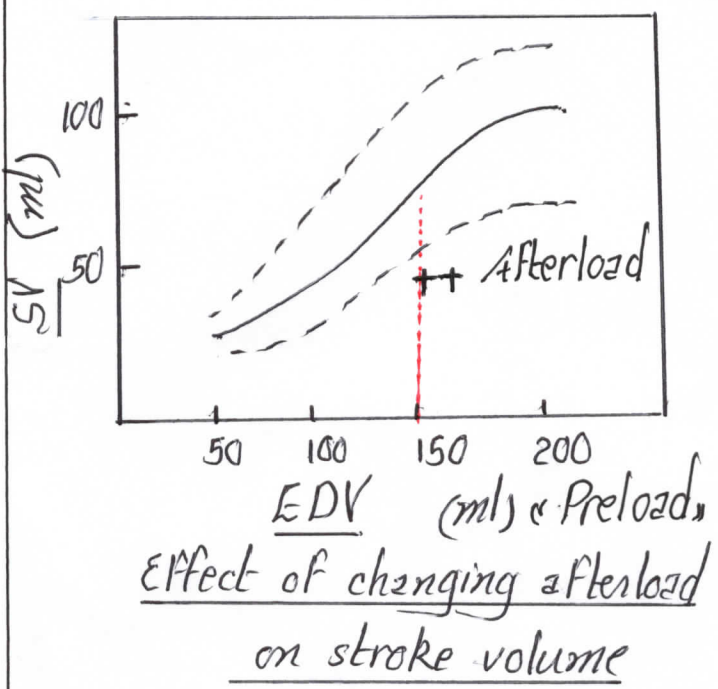
Homeo



13 L  
2.5 times

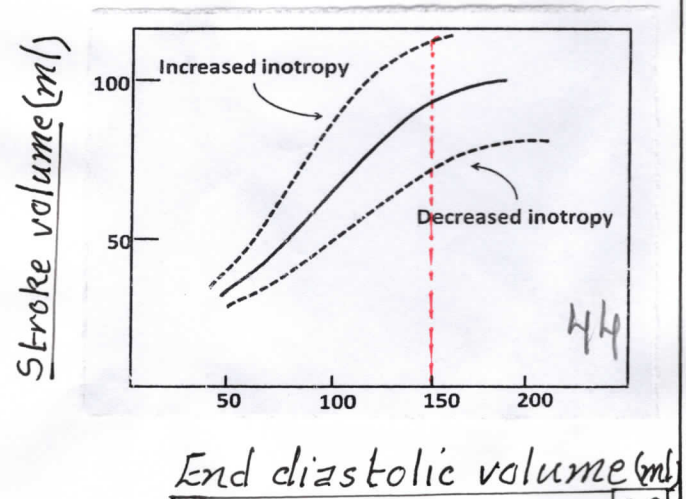
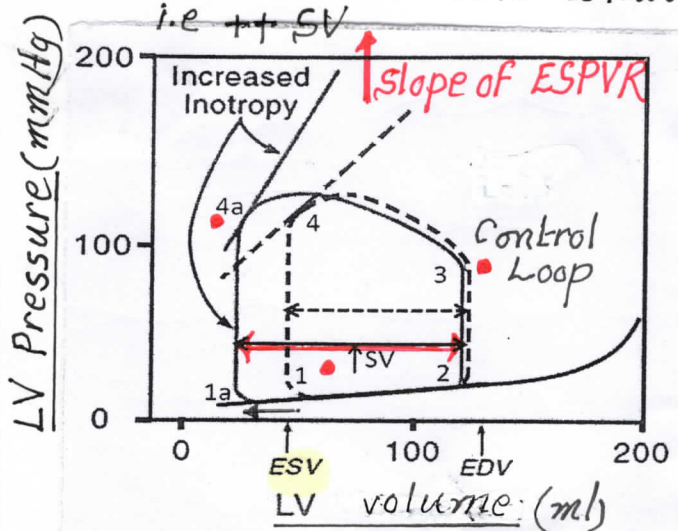
EDV  
Hetero metric  
auto regulation

2 Afterload = Aortic p. against which L.V. contracts  
 At any Preload, ++ Afterload shifts relationship between preload & SV downwards & vice versa  
Explanation -- degree & velocity of muscle shortening → -- SV



3 Inotropic  
 At any particular preload & afterload,  
 +ve inotropics → ++ SV & vice versa

- Ventricle contracts at same EDV & ejection starts at same afterload (3a) But aortic valve closes at lower ESV (4a) i.e. ++ SV
- ESPVR shift upwards & Lt.



● Ejection fraction  $EF = \frac{SV}{EDV}$

normally greater than 55% (or 0.55)

Clinically is used as an index of contractility.

+ve inotropic  $\longrightarrow$  ++ EF & vice versa

● Cardiac Function curves

$CO \propto RAP$

Explanation Within limits,

++ RAP  $\longrightarrow$  ++ EDV Starling law

++ CO  $\longleftarrow$  ++ SV  $\longleftarrow$  Force of cont.

Intrinsic (heterometric autoregul.)

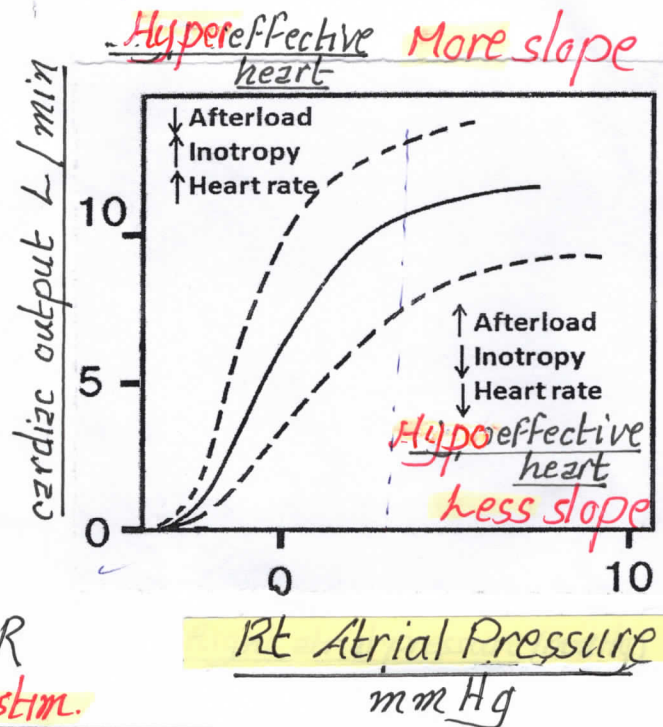
no external (nervous or hormonal) F.

It reaches a plateau at 13 L/min,

i.e 2.5 times normal CO

i.e Heart pumps 2.5 times VR

without nervous or hormonal stim.



● Myocardial O<sub>2</sub> consumption  $MVO_2$

$8 \text{ ml/min/100 gm}$   $\begin{cases} 6 \text{ ml} & \text{contraction \& relaxation} \\ 2 \text{ ml} & \text{(basal) cellular activities \& ionic pump} \end{cases}$

Factors affecting  $MVO_2$ :

A) Proportional ++ in  $MVO_2$  with

++ HR, ++ Afterload (ABP) & +ve inotropic

B) Smaller ++ in  $MVO_2$  with

++ preload e.g valve regurgitation i.e less anginal pain

Major part of  $MVO_2$  is consumed to generate tension:

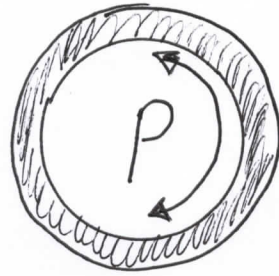
- Laplace law  $T$  (tension)  $\propto P$  (intravent.p)  $\times r$  (radius of V)

- Wall stress  $S \propto \frac{T}{w}$  (wall thickness)

<p>Increased Preload</p>	<p>Length - Tension Preload EDV - SV curve</p> <p>++ EDV → ++ SV on same curve</p>	<p><u>Vent. P - V loop</u></p> <p>++ SV due to ++ EDV (width of loop) Semilunar valves open &amp; close at same P Slope of ESPVR same</p>	<p><u>Explanation</u></p> <p>More muscle shortening and more velocity of shortening</p>	<p><u>Notes</u></p> <p>++ Preload (EDV) a ++ VR b ++ atrial con -- Preload (EDP) a ++ HR b -- diastolic pressure -- Vent comp hypertrophy infracture.</p>
<p>Increased Afterload</p>	<p>Curve is shifted downwards i.e. -- SV at same preload &amp; vice versa</p>	<p>-- SV due to ++ ESV ↓ width of loop Semilunar valves open &amp; close at higher P Slope of ESPVR same</p>	<p>less muscle shortening and less velocity of shortening</p>	
<p>+ve inotropy</p>	<p>Curve is shifted upwards i.e. ++ SV at same preload. &amp; vice versa</p>	<p>++ SV due to -- ESV ↑ width of loop Semilunar valves open &amp; close at same P Slope of ESPVR increases</p>	<p>More muscle shortening and More velocity of shortening</p>	<p><u>V max</u> <u>Slope of ES</u> are indices myocardial contractility</p>

$$T \propto P \times r$$

Tension  $\propto$  Pressure  $\times$  Radius



$$\text{Wall stress } (S) \propto \frac{T \text{ Tension}}{W \text{ wall thickness}}$$

$$\text{O}_2 \text{ consumption} \propto S \text{ i.e. } \propto \frac{P \times r}{W}$$

e.g

50% increase in afterload (aortic p) i.e. hypertension

→ 50% increase in S

→ 50% increase in  $MVO_2$

explanation  $S \propto \frac{P \times r}{W}$

50% increase in preload (volume) e.g. valve regurgitation

→ 14% increase in S

→ 14% increase in  $MVO_2$

explanation  $S \propto \frac{P \times r}{W}$  (not V)

Only 14% ++ in r → 50% ++ in V  
as  $V \propto r^3$

So, little ++ in  $O_2$  consumption with valve regurgitation

# Cardiac reserve

CR

- Def Maximal % increase in CO in response to increase in body needs
- Person

	CR	CO <sub>++</sub> from 5L/min
Well trained athlete	700%	35
Normal young adult	300-400%	15-20
Elderly people	200%	10
Heart failure	0%	0

## CR mechanisms

$$CO = HR \times (EDV - ESV) \quad \text{Hypertrophy}$$

- ① HR reserve *Most important*  
 Maximum 220 - age in years i.e at 20y 200/min

So, HR reserve = 200 - 75

Cause Symp stim. Catecholamines

Limits ++HR → -- Diastolic period  
 → -- Vent filling → -- CO

- ② SV reserve Maximum 200 ml at 20y

a ↑ EDV cause ↑ VR limit Starling law

b ↓ ESV cause Symp stim & catecholamines  
 ↑ve inotropy  
limit limited ESV

- ③ Hypertrophy with chronic strain on myocardium