

**MEDICINE NEET S S**  
**CRITICAL CARE**



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# HEMODYNAMIC MONITORING-PART I

## Introduction

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- Body here Cardiovascular organ dysfunction : 2<sup>nd</sup> most common organ dysfunction.
- Continuously observing changes in physiologic variables :
  1. To monitor organ function.
  2. For prompt therapeutic interventions.
  3. To evaluate response to therapeutic interventions.
- monitoring per se not improve patient outcomes.
- Timely applied right interventions can do.

## Assessing global and regional perfusion

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Initial steps :

1. Clinical assessment.
2. Basic monitoring and assessment of global perfusion.
3. Preload monitoring and fluid responsiveness.

Advanced monitoring measures :

1. Cardiac output monitoring.
2. Assessment of cardiac contractility.
3. Assessment of tissue perfusion.

### Step 1 : Clinical assessment

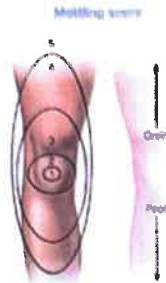
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thirst</li> <li>• Cold extremities.</li> <li>• Poor peripheral pulses.</li> <li>• Impaired capillary refill.</li> </ul> | → | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tachypnoea, tachycardia.</li> <li>• Confusion.</li> <li>• Altered skin perfusion.</li> <li>• Oliguria.</li> </ul> |
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Skin mottling :

Important predictor of adverse outcome.

- Score 0 : No mottling.
- Score 1 : Small area of mottling, localised to centre of knee.
- Score 2 : modest mottling area that does not extend beyond superior border of kneecap.

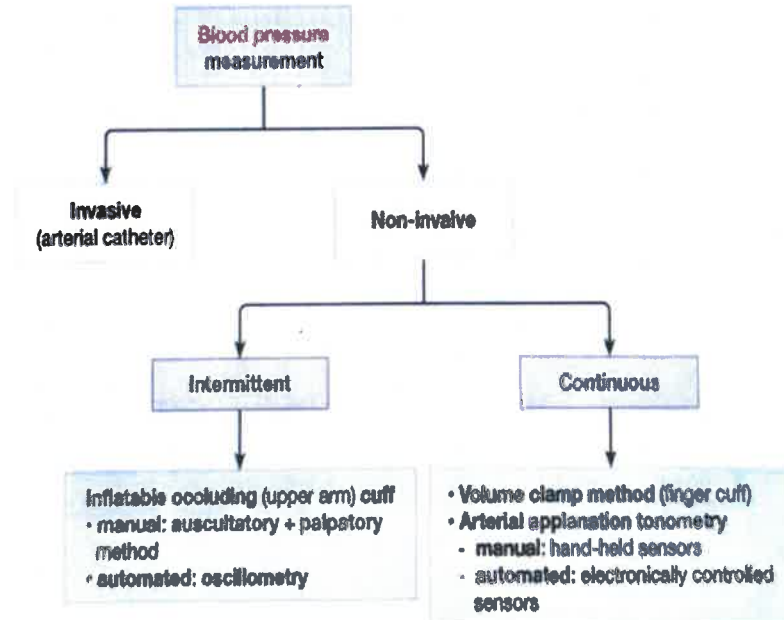
- Score 3 : mild mottling area that does not extend beyond the mid-thigh.
- Score 4 : Severe mottling area, not going beyond the groin fold.
- Score 5 : Extremely severe mottling area, extending beyond groin fold.



**Step 2 : Basic monitoring and assessment of global perfusion :**

- 12 lead ECG.
- Blood pressure : Non invasive and Invasive.
- Pulse oximetry (SpO<sub>2</sub>).
- Lactate levels.
- Biochemical variables.

**Blood pressure monitoring :**



### NBP : Intermittent

Manual intermittent	Automated intermittent
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Described by KOROTKOW 1905.</li> <li>• Sphygmomanometer, cuff, and stethoscope.</li> <li>• Auscultating sounds generated by turbulent arterial blood flow beyond cuff.</li> <li>• Systolic : First Korotkoff sound.</li> <li>• Diastolic : Before disappearance.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Based on oscillometry.</li> <li>• Cuff is coupled to an oscillometer.</li> <li>• The cuff inflates above systolic pressure.</li> <li>• Then gradually deflates.</li> <li>• MAP : pressure at peak amplitude of arterial pulsations.</li> <li>• SEP &amp; DBP : Derived from proprietary formulas (rate of change of pressure pulsations).</li> </ul>

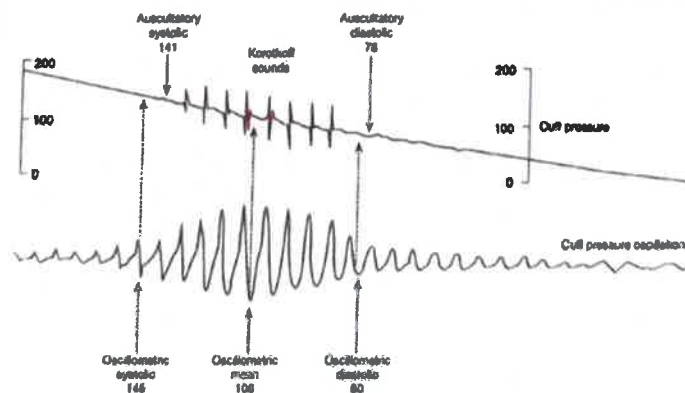
### Cuff Size :

- Bladder length : 80% of arm circumference.
- Bladder width : 40% of arm circumference.
- midline of cuff bladder should be positioned over the arterial pulsation.

### BP Cuff size

Patient	Recommended cuff size
Adults (by arm circumference)	
22 to 26 cm	12 x 22 cm (small adult)
27 to 34 cm	16 x 30 cm (adult)
35 to 44 cm	16 x 38 cm (large adult)
45 to 52 cm	16 x 42 cm (adult thigh)

### Comparison of blood pressure measurements via Korotkoff sounds and oscillometry :



### CNAP : Continuous noninvasive arterial pressure

Volume clamp method (finger cuff) :

- Inflatable finger cuff with infrared plethysmography & monitor.
- Adjusts its pressure multiple times per second to finger artery constant.
- Produce a brachial arterial waveform.

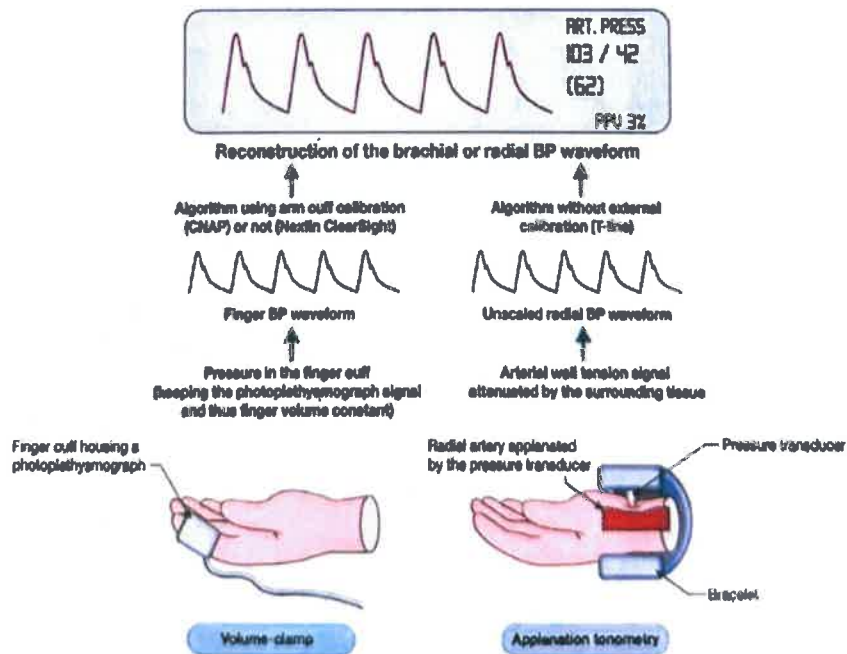


T-line system : Based on applanation tonometry :

- Radial artery applanation :
- A pressure sensor applied over radial artery :
  - Gently compresses artery : Applanates.
- The sensor is automatically moves over radial artery until optimal waveform is recorded.
- External applanation leads to reconstruction of BP waveform.
- mean BP measured directly (optimal waveform).



Oscillometric, volume-clamp, and applanation tonometry  
technol arterial BP



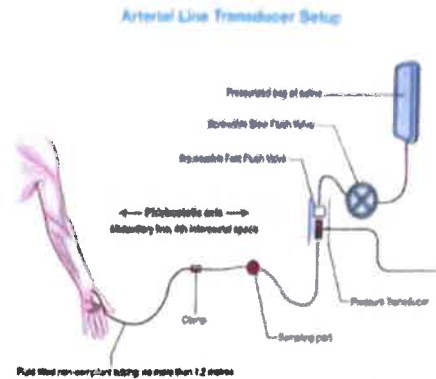
Invasive blood pressure :

- Gold standard for BP monitoring :
- Arterial cannulation.
- Continuous pressure transduction.
- Waveform display.



• Conventions :

- Pressures expressed as mmHg.
- Referenced to phlebostatic axis.
- Zeroed to ambient pressure.



Invasive blood pressure : Indications.

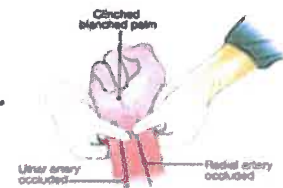
- Unstable blood pressure/severe hypotension.
- Use of rapidly acting vasoactive drugs : Vasodilators, vasopressors, inotropes.
- Frequent sampling of arterial blood.

Relative contraindications : Invasive arterial pressure monitoring.

- Anticipation of thrombolytic therapy.
- Severe peripheral vascular disease preventing catheter insertion.
- Vascular anomalies : AV fistula, local aneurysm, local haematoma, Raynaud's disease.
- Lack of collateral blood flow distally (e.g. radial artery previously used for coronary artery bypass surgery).

modified Allen test :

- Used to assess adequacy of collateral circulation.
- Reduced collateral flow when palm remains pale > 6 to 10 seconds.
- Disadvantage : Sensitivity (70-80%).



Modified Allen's Test - Positive



Modified Allen's Test - Negative



Common sites :

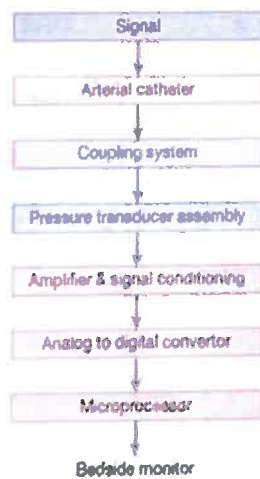
1. Radial.
2. Femoral.
3. Dorsalis pedis.
4. Posterior tibial.

## Complications of Direct Arterial Pressure Monitoring

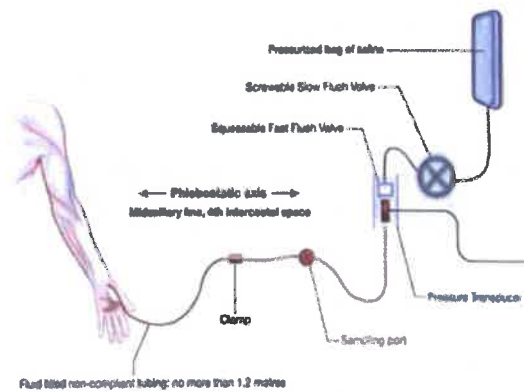
Distal ischemia, pseudoaneurysm, arteriovenous fistula  
 Hemorrhage  
 Arterial embolization  
 Infection  
 Peripheral neuropathy  
 Misinterpretation of data  
 Misuse of equipment

Pressure monitoring System :

### Pressure monitoring system



### Arterial Line Transducer Setup



Zeroing & Levelling :

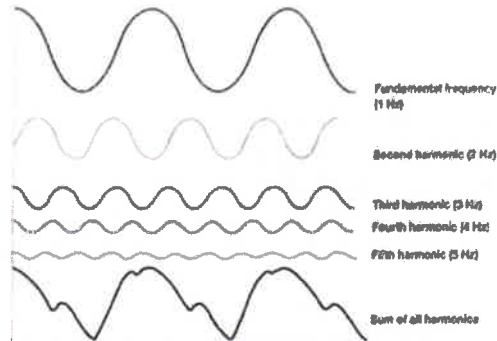
- At level of the right atrium : Levelling.
- Opening the transducer stopcock to atmosphere.
- Stopcock at level of midaxillary line 4th ICS : Phlebostatic axis.
- With the stopcock open, monitor displays 0.



## Fourier analysis of a complex waveform

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- Arterial waveform is a composite of many waveforms of increasing frequencies (harmonics).
- 8-10 harmonics.

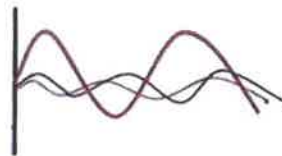


### Natural frequency:

- Frequency at which a system oscillates.

maximum diameter  
minimum length  
Low Compliance

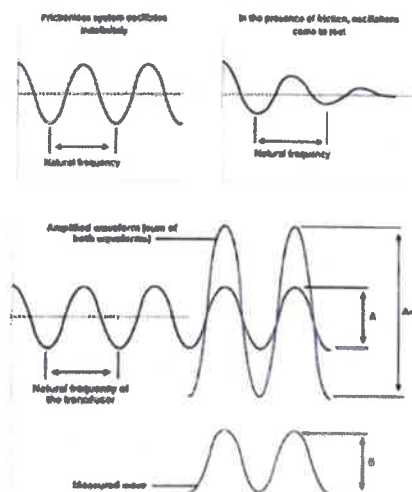
$$\text{Natural frequency } f_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\pi D^2 \cdot \Delta P}{4\rho L \cdot \Delta V}}$$



### The Coupling system:

- Fluid between artery and transducer acts as simple harmonic oscillator:
  - Analogous to a pendulum.
  - When the pendulum is displaced, it undergoes simple harmonic motion: it oscillates around the equilibrium point.

#### The Coupling system



- If natural frequency of pressure transducer matches with each peak of arterial pressure wave:
  - Increase amplitude of the measured values.
- Transducer system must have a natural frequency well above the 8<sup>th</sup> harmonic frequency of a rapid pulse:

Damping :

- Absorption of energy (amplitude) of oscillations :
  - Decreases amplitude of waves.
  - Reduces natural frequency of a system.
- Transducer system must be adequately damped :
  - Amplitude should not change due to resonance.
- Diameter of the tubing has the greatest effect on damping.
- Damping increases by third power of any decrease in tubing diameter.

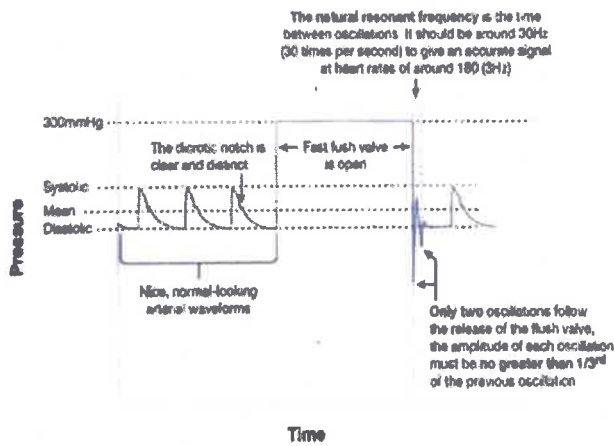
Dynamic response :

- Ability of the system to accurately reproduce hemodynamic waveform.

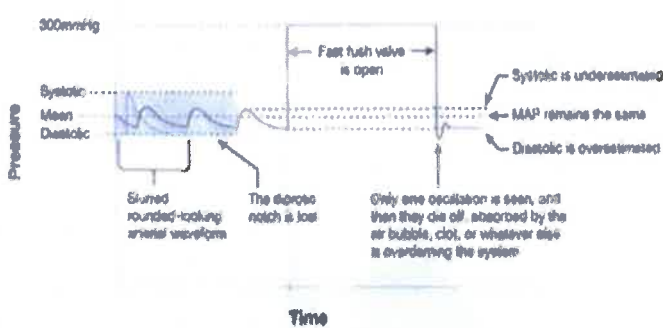
Natural frequency should be > highest frequency of the incoming pulsatile signal  
> 24Hz needed

Damping coefficient: How quickly an oscillating fluid filled system comes to rest  
  
Fast flush test

Arterial line setup : Damping adequacy

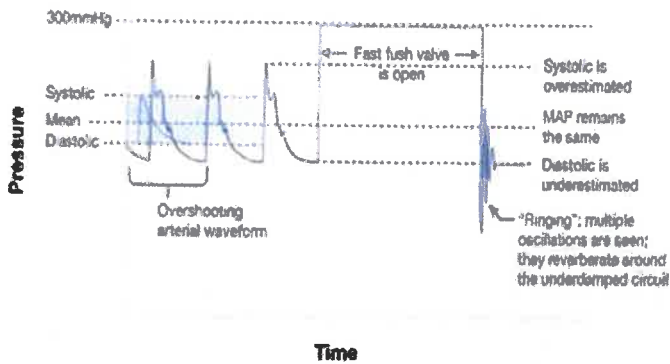


Arterial line setup: Damping adequacy



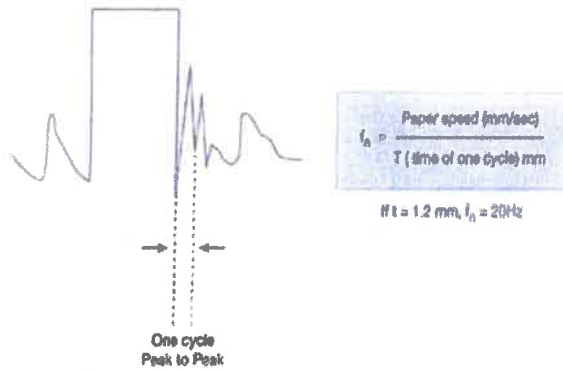
Clots, kinks, air bubbles, low compliant tubings, loose connection

Arterial line setup: Damping adequacy

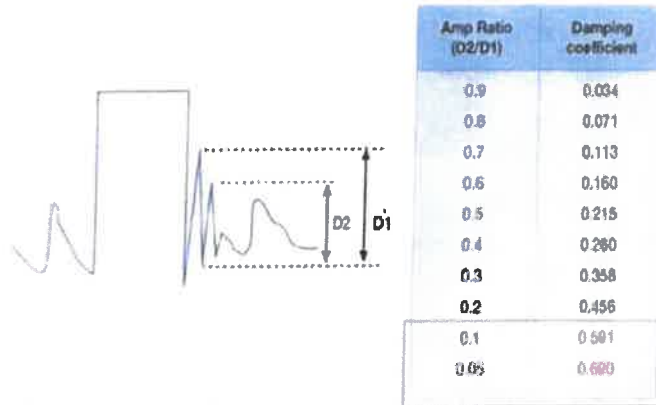


Long tubing,  
hyperdynamic  
circulation, tachy-  
cardia, hyperten-  
sion, atherosclerosis

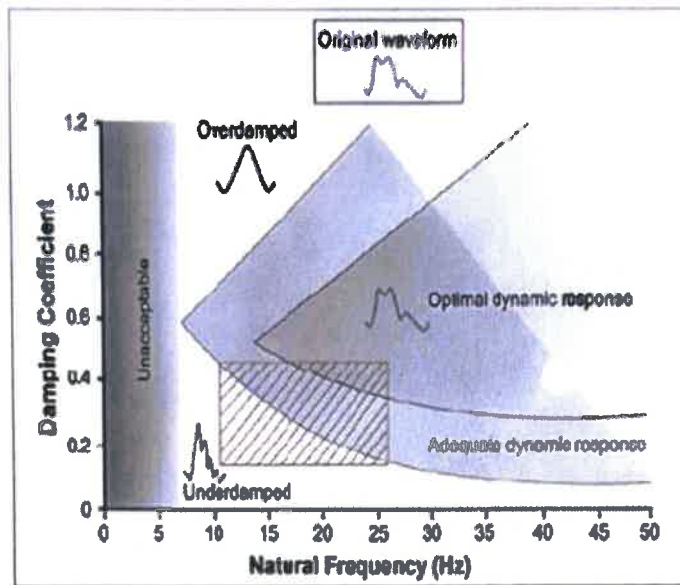
Determining fn :



Amplitude Ratio :

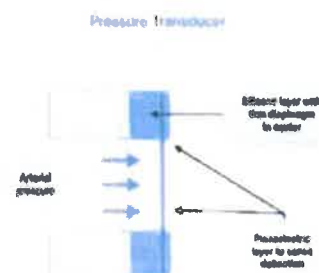
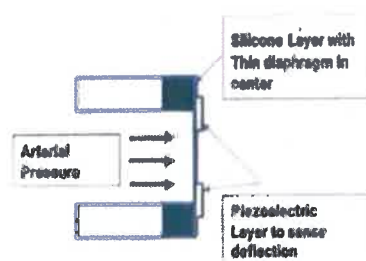
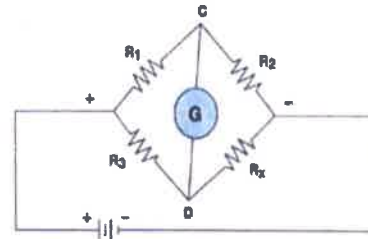


## Arterial line setup : dynamic response



## Pressure transducer :

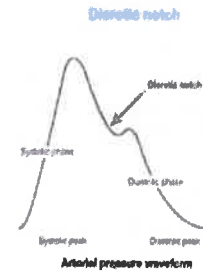
- A transducer is a device which converts energy from one form to another :
  - Pressure into electrical energy.
- It acts on the principle of wheatstone bridge.
- wheatstone bridge : Electrical circuit with one unknown resistor.
- Piezoresistive strain gauges is used to complete the circuit.
- wheatstone bridge used to measure the unknown resistance (of strain gauge).
- Resistance of unknown resistor is determined by pressure.



## Arterial pulse waveform : Components

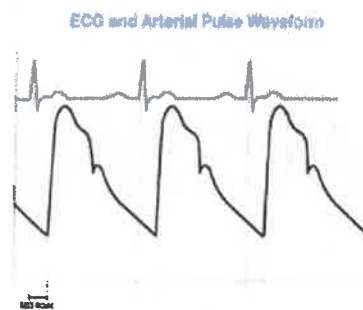
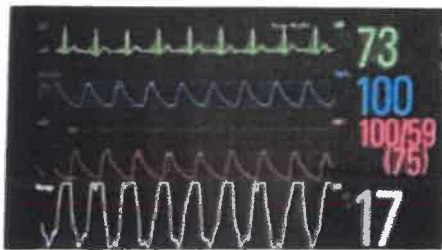
- Systolic phase : Rapid increase in pressure to a peak.
  - Begins with opening of aortic valve.
  - Corresponds to LV ejection.

- **Dicrotic notch :**
  - Closure of aortic valve.
- **Diastolic phase :**
- Run-off of blood into peripheral circulation.



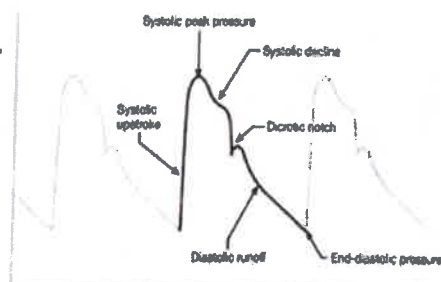
### Arterial pulse waveform : Analysis

- On ECG, R wave signals beginning of systole.
- Systolic upstroke does not occur immediately following systole.
- There is 160-180 millisecond delay.



### Systolic upstroke :

- Represents ventricular ejection.
- Corresponds to peak aortic blood flow.
- Factors influencing aortic flow rates affect it :
  - Contractility.
  - Aortic valve flow.
  - Peripheral resistance.



### Peak systolic pressure :

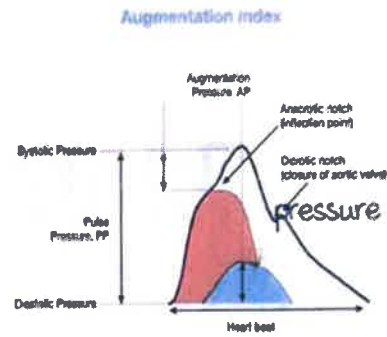
- maximum pressure in central arteries generated during systolic ejection.
- major contributions :
  - LV contraction.
  - Central arterial compliance.
  - Reflected pressure wave.

### Peak systolic pressure



Augmentation index :

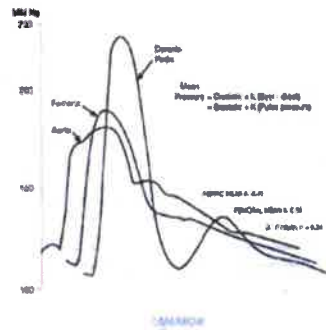
- Wave reflected from periphery to central aorta augments aortic pressure.
- It is a measure of systemic arterial stiffness.
- Calculated as ratio of augmentation to pulse pressure.



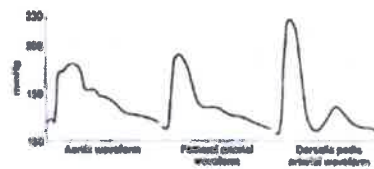
Distal systolic pulse amplification :

- Demonstrates change in systolic pressure on moving further from aortic root.
- Due to action of reflected waves on systolic pressure.
- Accumulating more of reflected pressure waves on top of systolic peak.

Comparing Arterial waveforms in different arteries

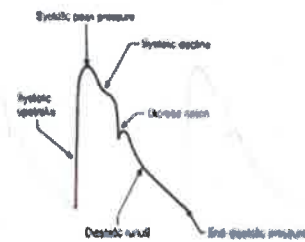


Arterial waveforms in different arteries



Systolic decline :

- Rapid decline in pressure as ventricular contraction ceases.
- Efflux of blood from central arterial compartment is faster than influx of blood from left ventricle.
- more rapid: Left ventricular outflow tract obstruction.



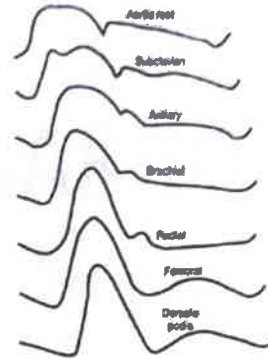


Arterial pulse waveform : Analysis

Dicrotic notch

As aortic valve closes, there is a sudden increase in pressure

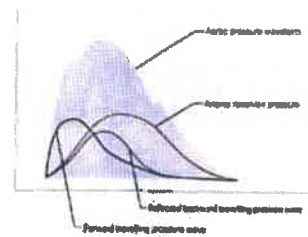
Arterial pulse waveform: Analysis



Diastolic run-off :

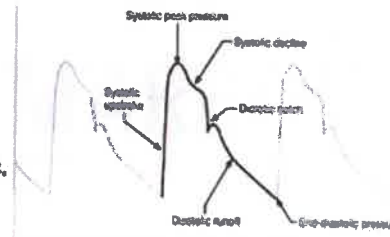
- Drop in pressure after aortic valve has closed.
- No flow from the LV :
  - But pressure does not drop suddenly; decreases gradually.
  - Due to reservoir effect of aorta:
- Shape of reservoir pressure depends on characteristics of reservoir.

Diastolic run-off



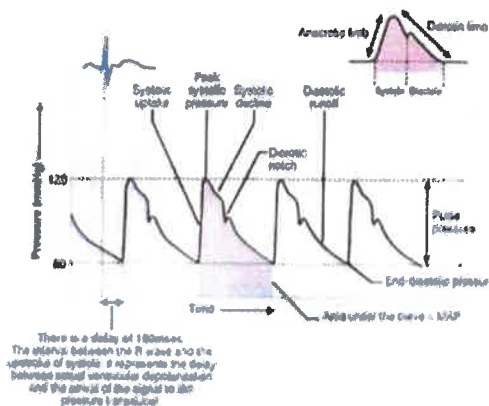
End diastolic pressure :

- Pressure exerted by vascular tree back upon aortic valve.
- Non-compliant vessels will raise it.
- Vasoplegic patient : Low diastolic pressure.



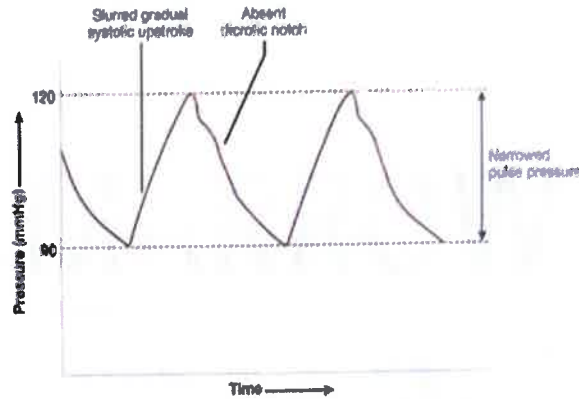
Normal arterial line waveform :

Normal arterial line waveform



Arterial waveform analysis : Cardiac dysfunction

Arterial waveform analysis



Pulsus alternans :

Alteration of beats with higher & lower pulse pressures indicative of severe left ventricular dysfunction.



Pulsus paradoxus :

Exaggerated inspiratory fall in systolic blood pressure >10 mm Hg.

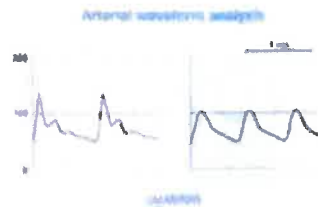


Aortic Regurgitation



Bisferiens pulse

HOCM



"Spike and dome"

## CENTRAL VENOUS LINE AND CVP MEASUREMENT

### Need of CVP lines

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- Physical examination of the neck veins has been a fundamental aspect of cardiovascular assessment.
- The bedside diagnosis of low, normal, or high CVP is often inaccurate, particularly in critically ill patients.
- Direct measurement of CVP is necessary in hemodynamically unstable patients & those undergoing major operations.
- SSC (2016) deemphasized the role of CVP as a marker of fluid responsiveness.

### Introduction

- It is the pressure in thoracic veins near right atrium.
- major determinant of filling pressure/ Preload of RV.
- Preload = End diastolic volume.
- Assumptions :
  - Linear relationship between Ventricular volume & Pressure.
  - This relationship is constant.
  - LV end diastolic pressure correlates with Atrial Pr / CVP.
- CVP measures filling pressure of the right ventricle (RV).
- CVP measures the interplay of the :
  1. Circulating blood volume.
  2. Venous tone.
  3. Right ventricular function.

### Indications for central venous cannulation :

- CVP monitoring.
  - Temporary HD.
  - Aspiration of air emboli
  - Drug administration :
    - Concentrated vasoactive drugs.
    - Rfm.
    - Chemotherapy.
    - Prolonged antibiotic therapy (e.g., endocarditis).
-

### Arterial waveform : Information

- From measurements :
  - Heart rate.
  - Systolic pressure.
  - Diastolic pressure.
  - Mean arterial pressure.
  - Pulse pressure.
  - Changes in amplitude with respiration.
  
- From waveform shape :
  - Slope of anacrotic limb : Aortic valve & LVOT flow.
  - Slurred/collapsing wave : AS.
  - Rapid systolic decline : LVOTO.
  - Low dicrotic notch : Poor peripheral resistance.
  - Quality of dicrotic notch : Damping coefficient.