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# Cardiac Hydraulics

M1 – Cardiovascular/Respiratory  
Sequence

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## Cardiac Hydraulics

30 slides, 50 min.

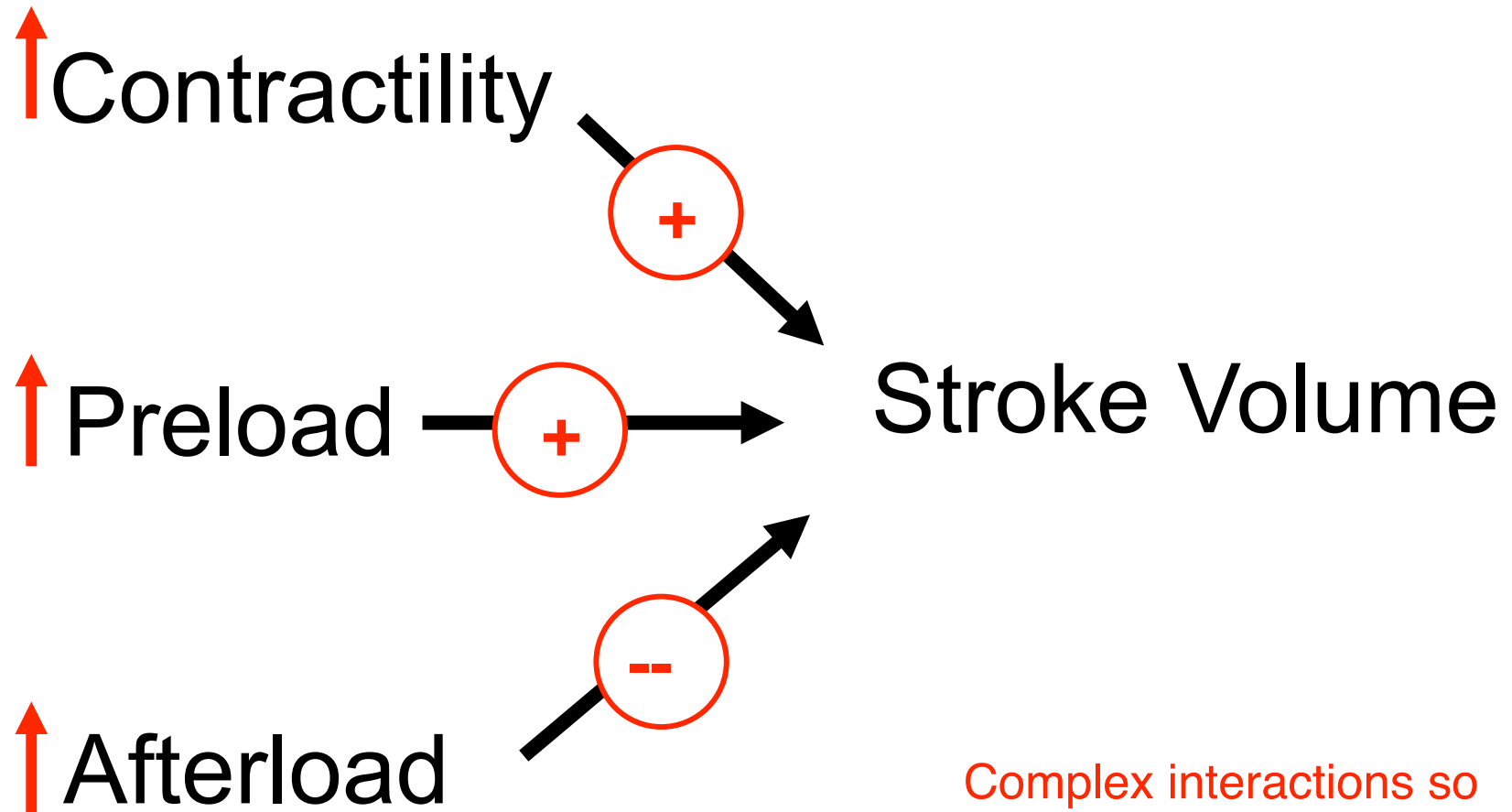
1. Contractility
2. Control of Stroke Volume
3. Ventricular function
4. Estimation of Preload
5. Measurement of stroke volume

# Terms Related to Cardiac Performance

**Preload** - The ventricular wall tension at the end of diastole.

**Afterload** -- The ventricular wall tension during contraction; the resistance that must be overcome for the ventricle to eject its contents. Approximated by systolic ventricular or arterial pressure.

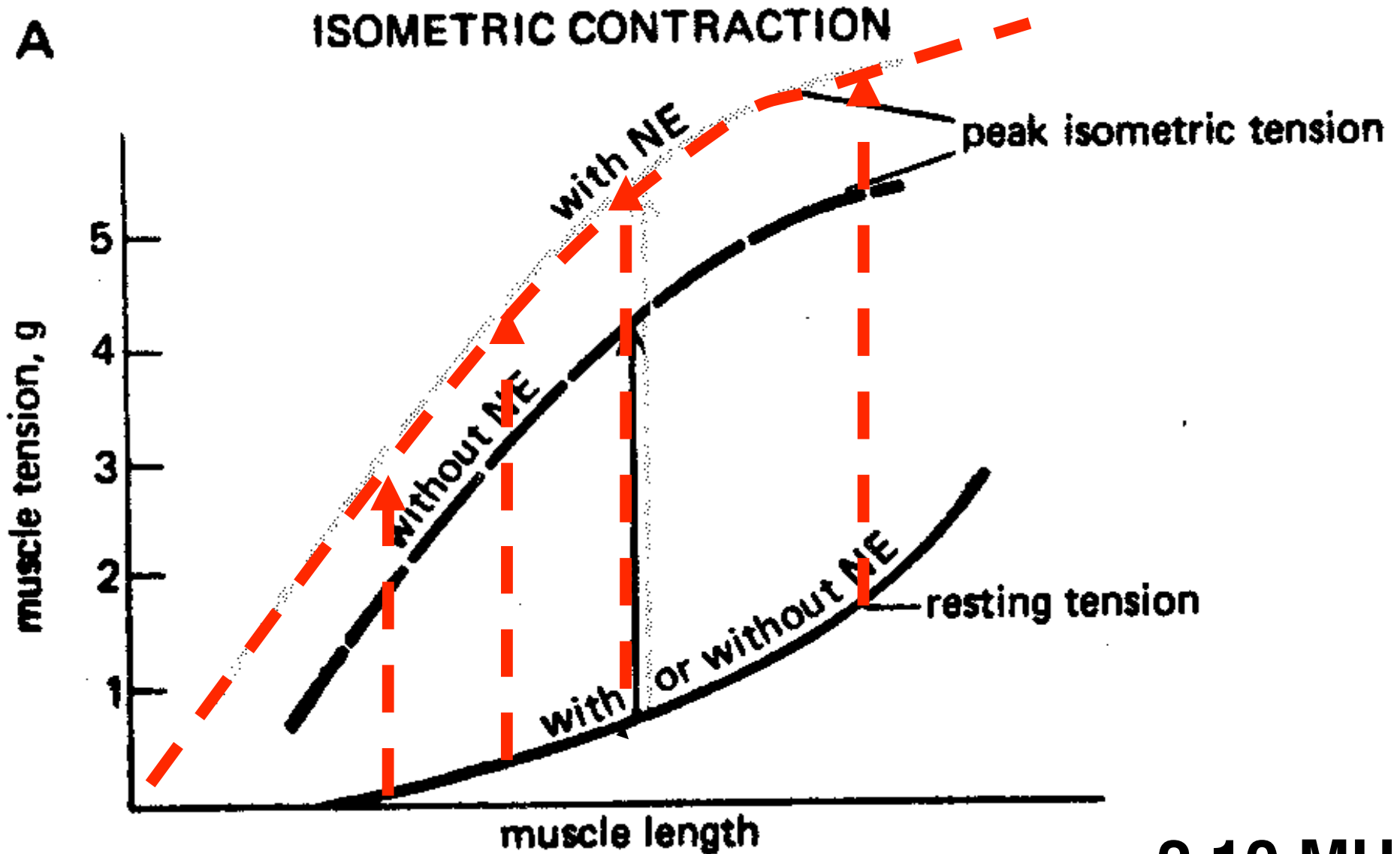
**Contractility** -- Property of heart muscle that accounts for changes in strength of contraction independent of preload and afterload.



Complex interactions so we will treat each separately with others held constant.

# Increased Contractility = Positive Inotropic Effect

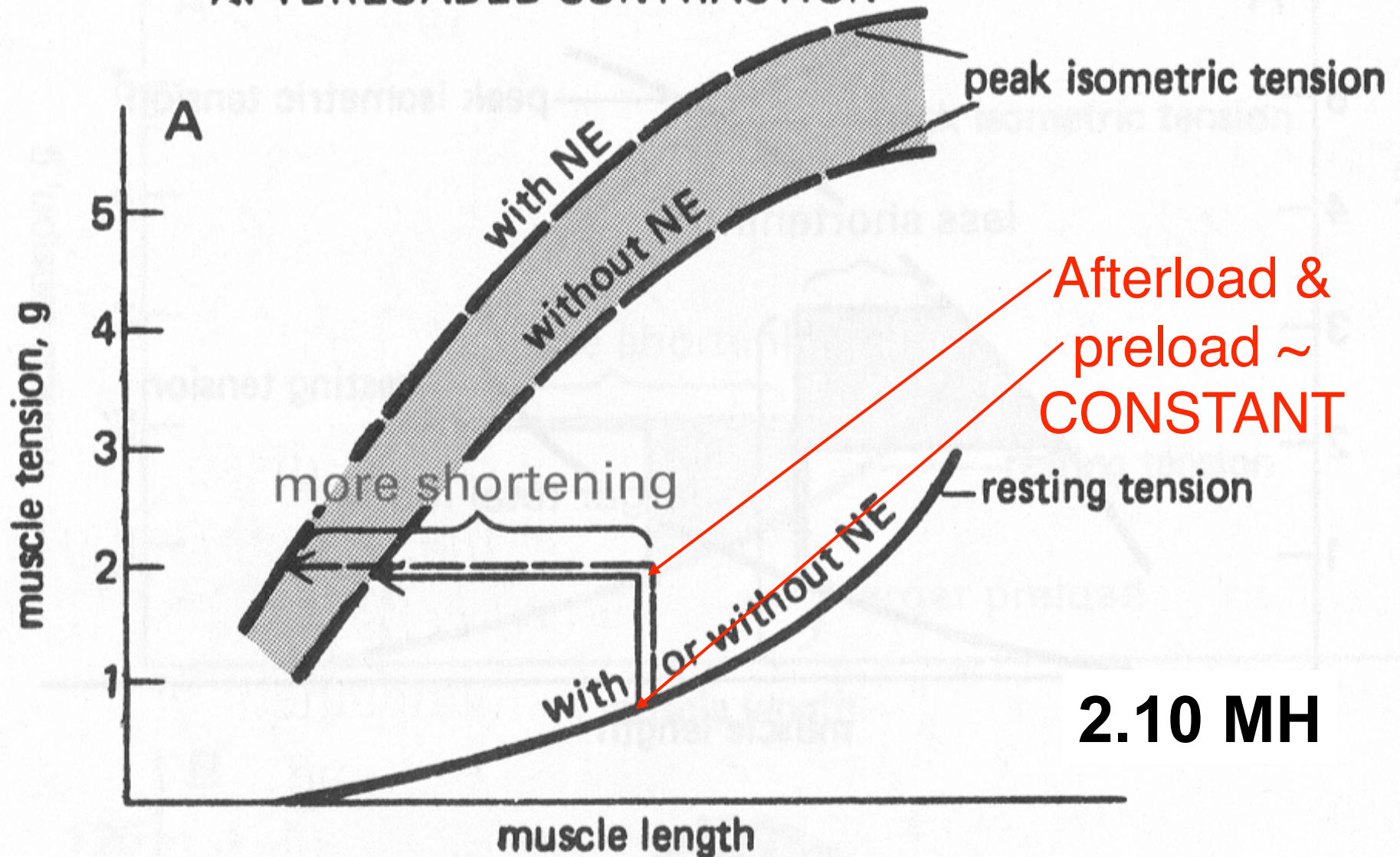
Increased peak isometric tension at each resting length.



# Increased Contractility = Positive Inotropic Effect

Increased shortening

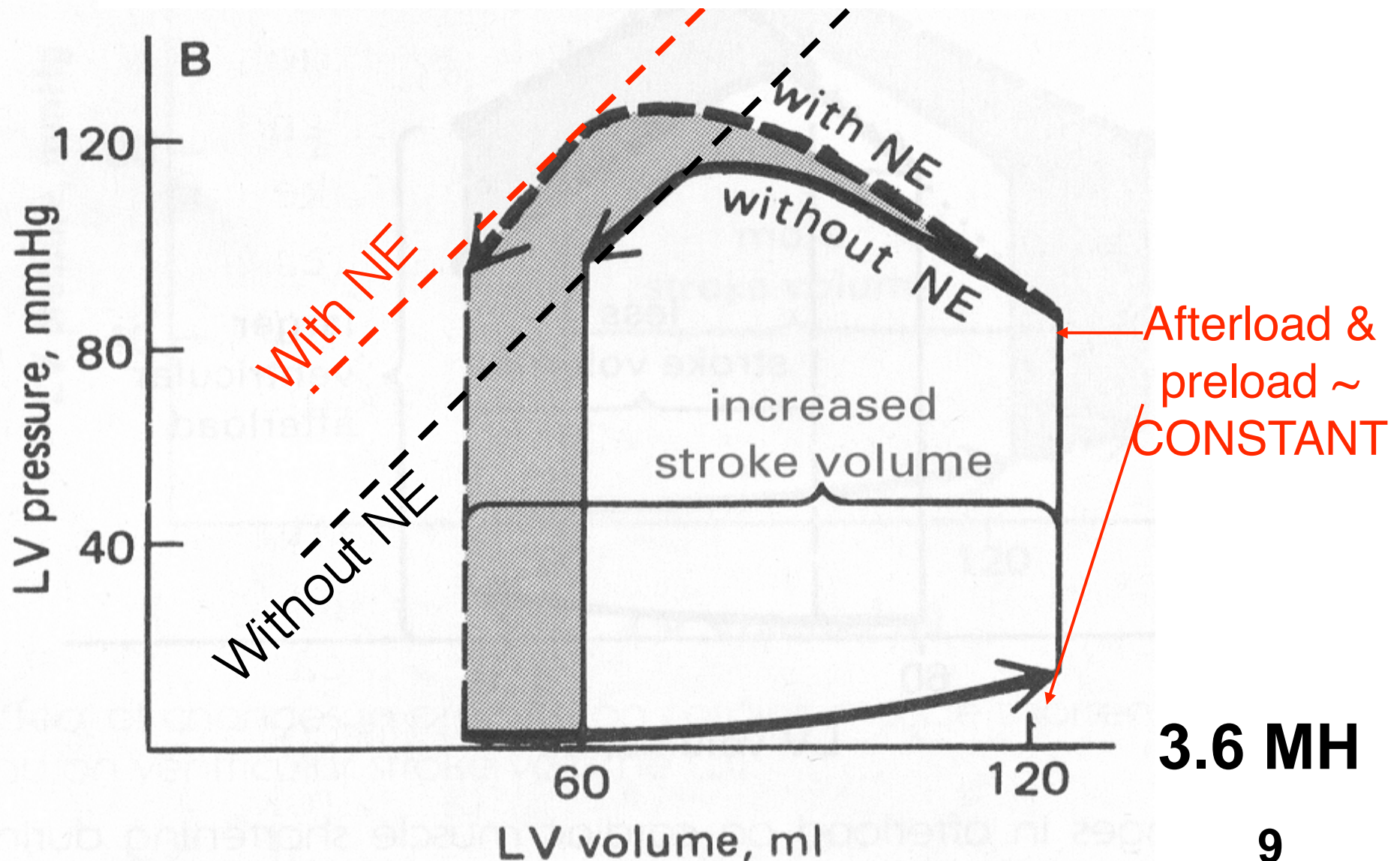
AFTERLOADED CONTRACTION

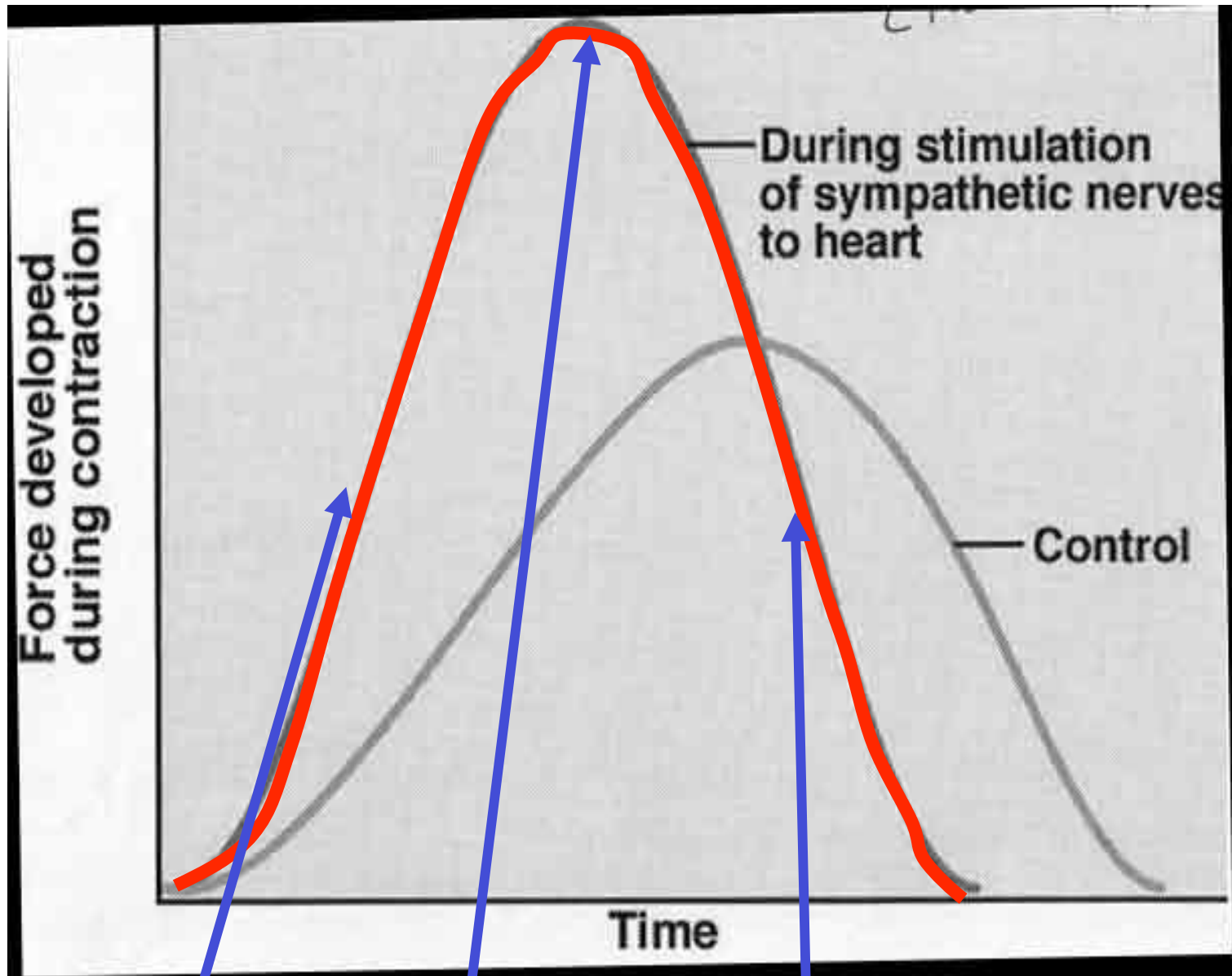




# Increased Contractility = Positive Inotropic Effect

## Increased stroke volume





**Beta adrenergic stimulation: increased force (faster and more) and faster relaxation.**

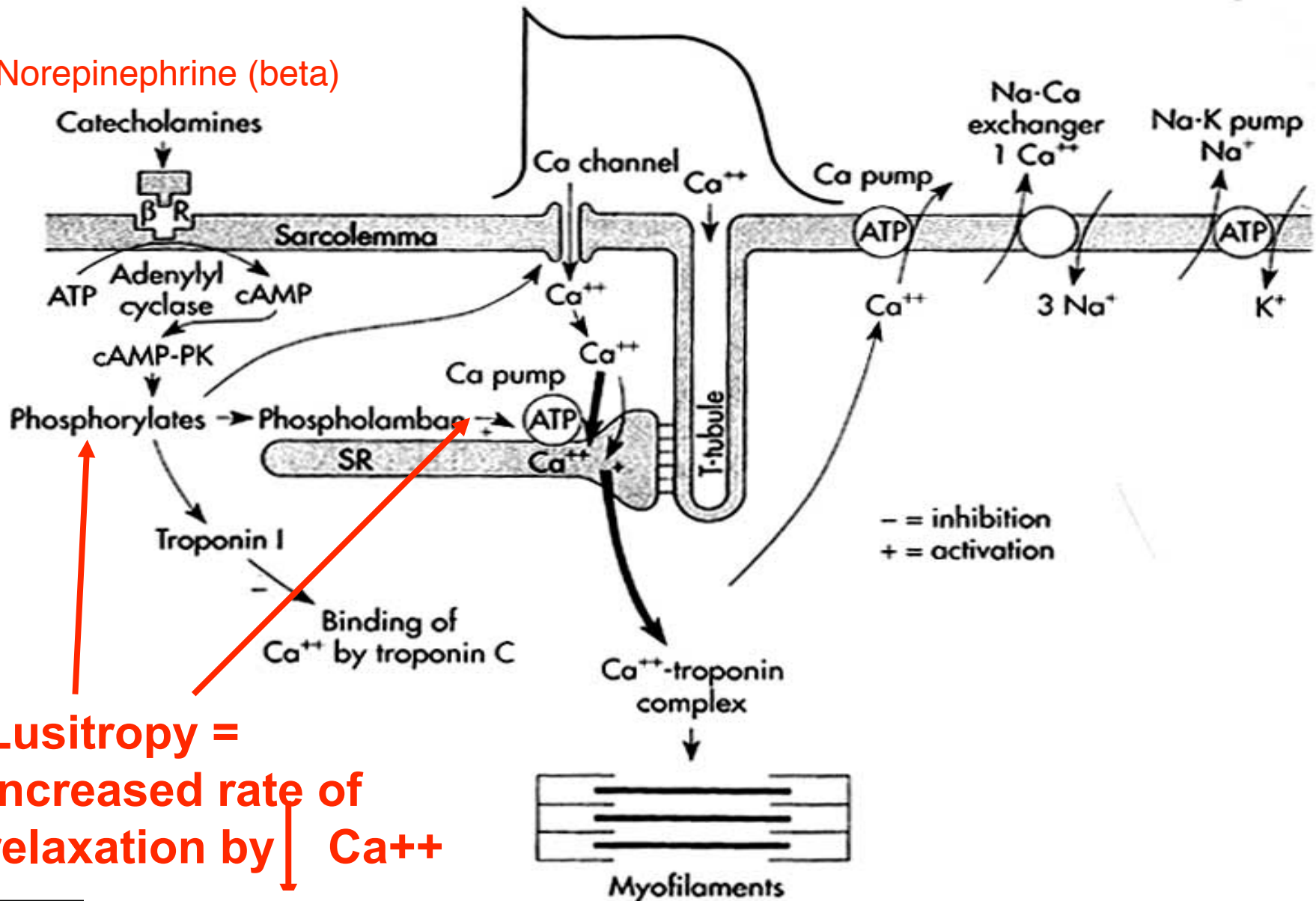
# $\beta$ (Beta) adrenergic effects

- Positive inotropic (strength) effect
- Positive lusitropic (rate of relaxation) effect
- Positive chronotropic (heart rate) effect
- Positive dromotropic (conduction velocity) effect
- Decreased duration (both AP and contraction)

Acetylcholine (cholinergic) has small negative inotropic effect.

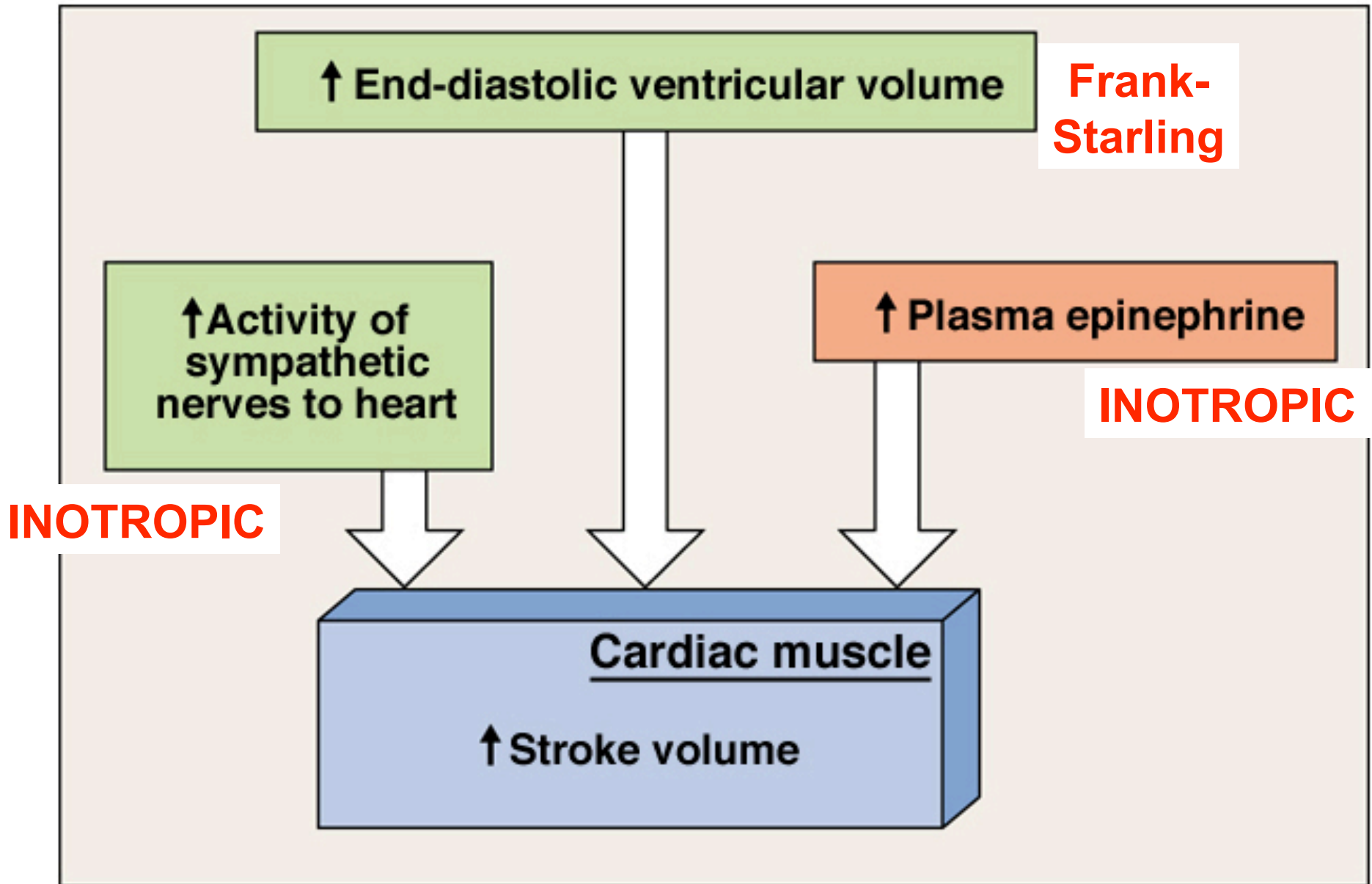
# Cellular mechanism of positive inotropy and lusitropy

Norepinephrine (beta)

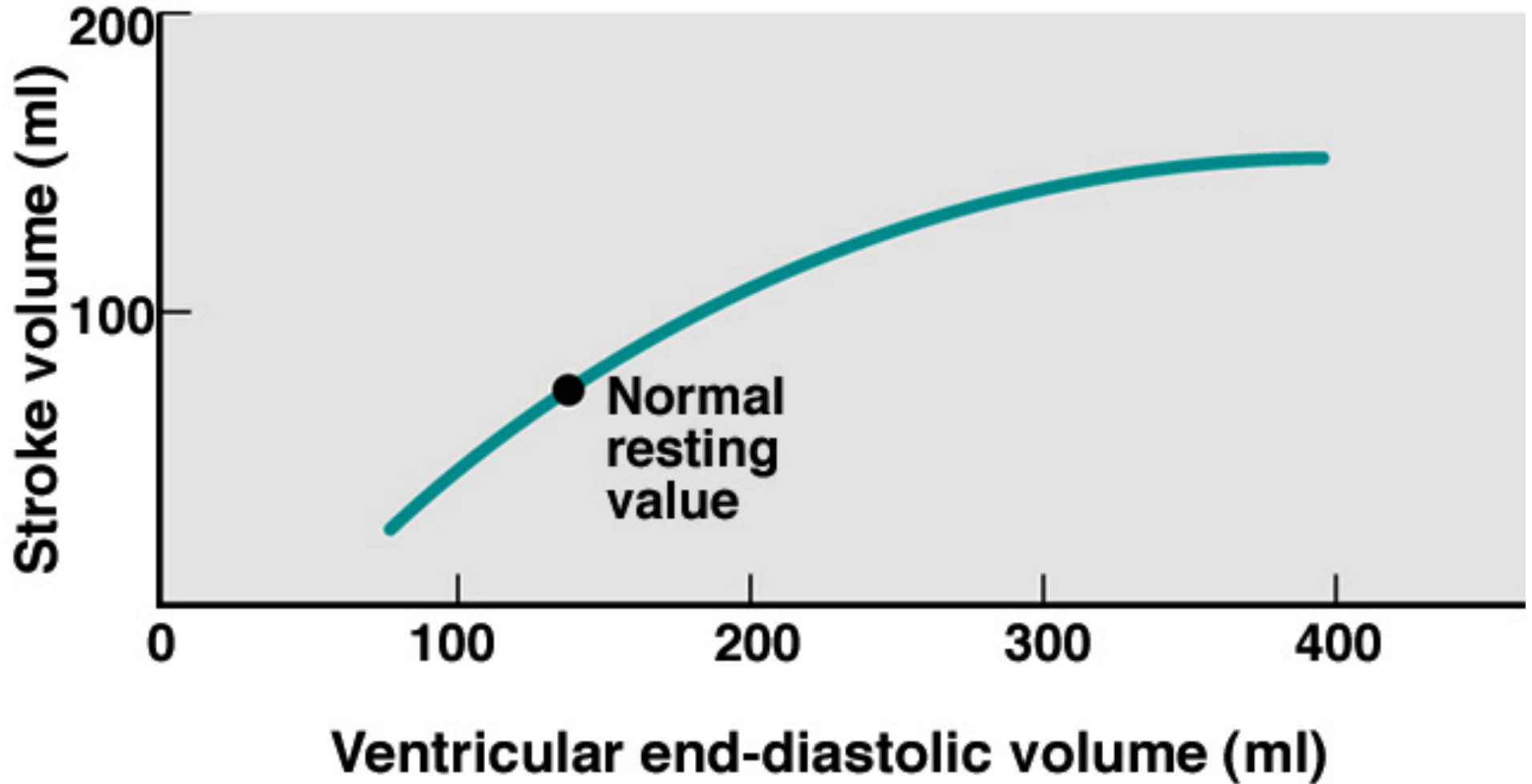


**Lusitropy =**  
**Increased rate of**  
**relaxation by ↓ Ca<sup>++</sup>**

# Controllers of stroke volume

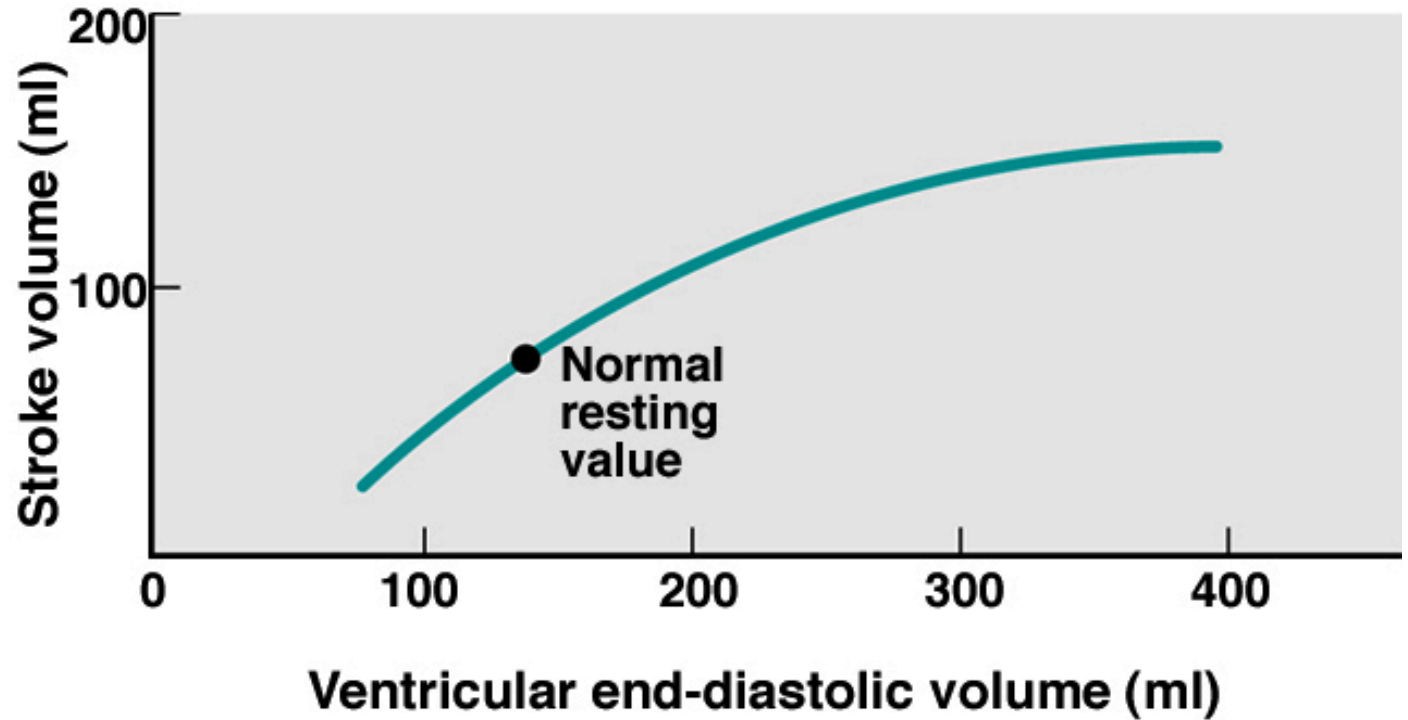


# Ventricular function curve



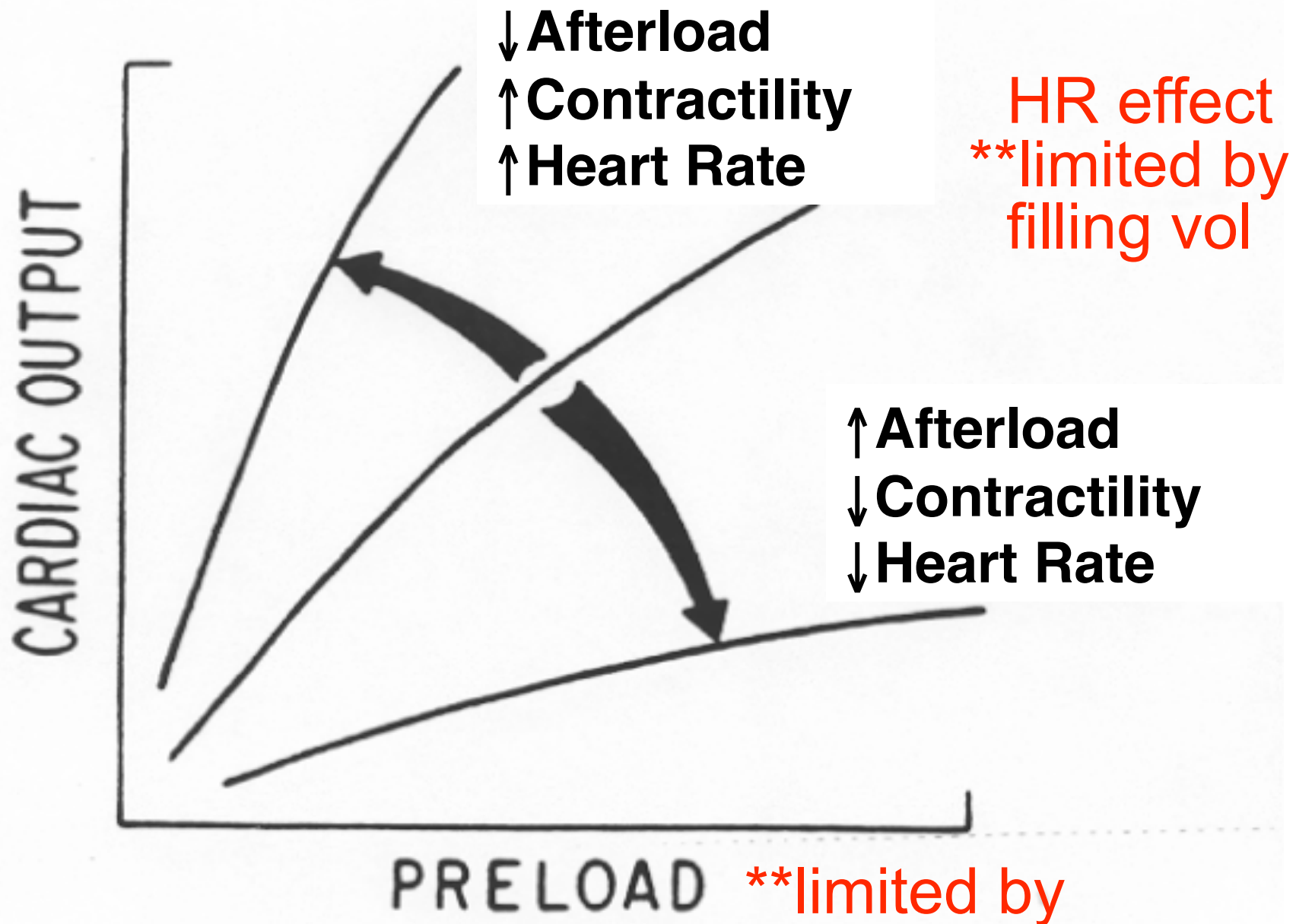
# Ventricular function curve

SV  
or  
Tension  
or  
LVP  
or  
CO



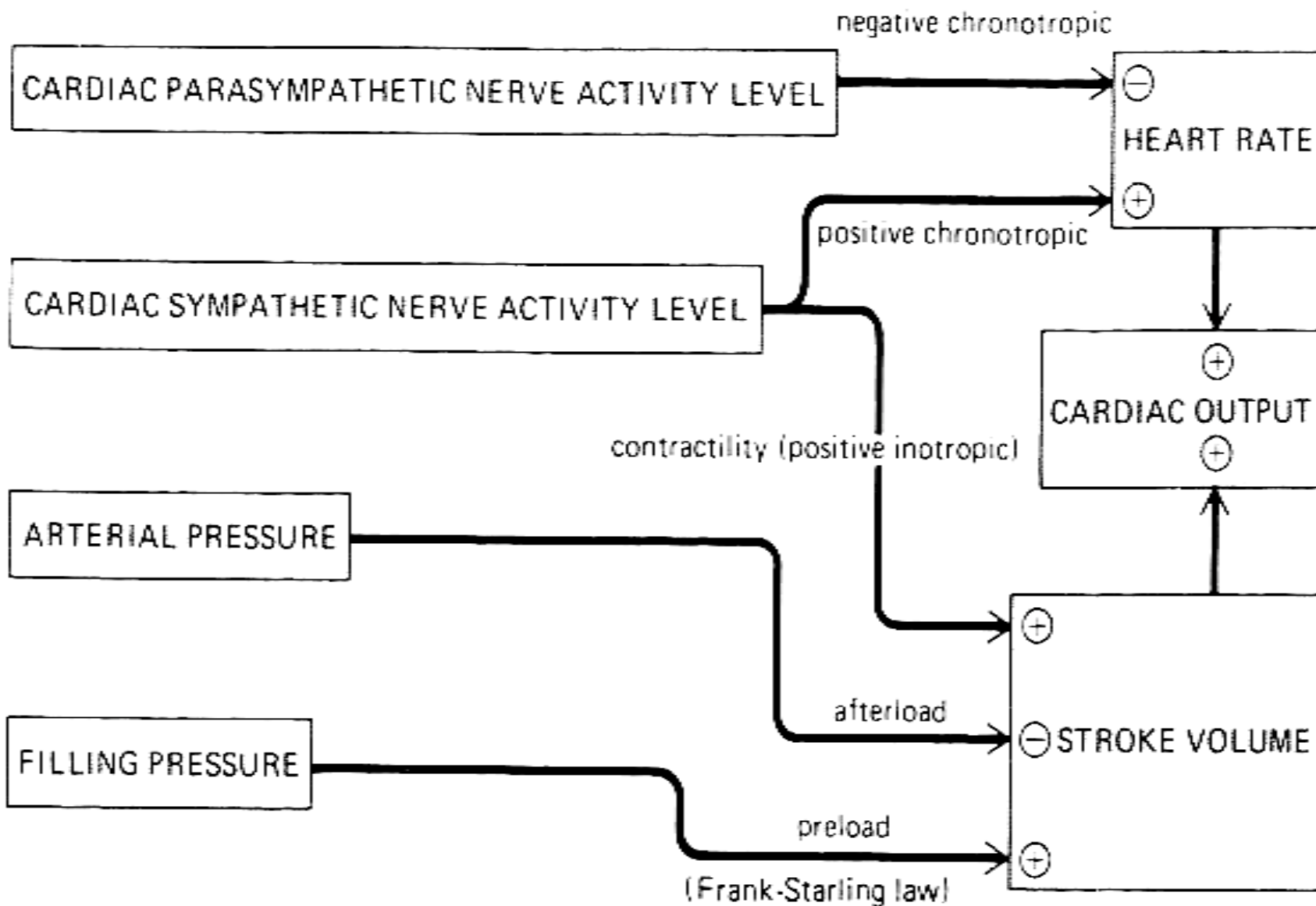
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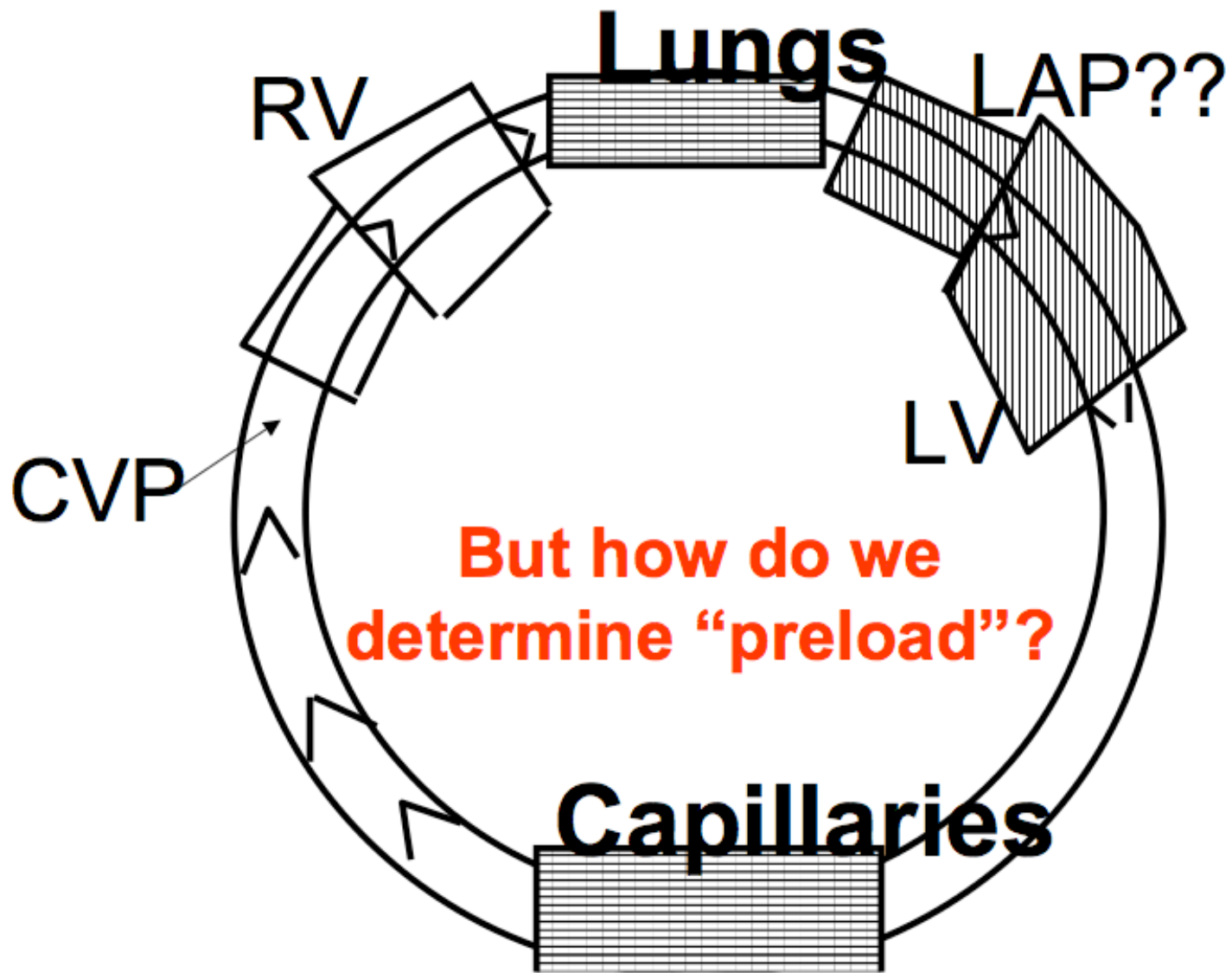
LVEDV or LVEDP or  
Length or Preload





# M & H 3 -7 Summary of Determinants of CO





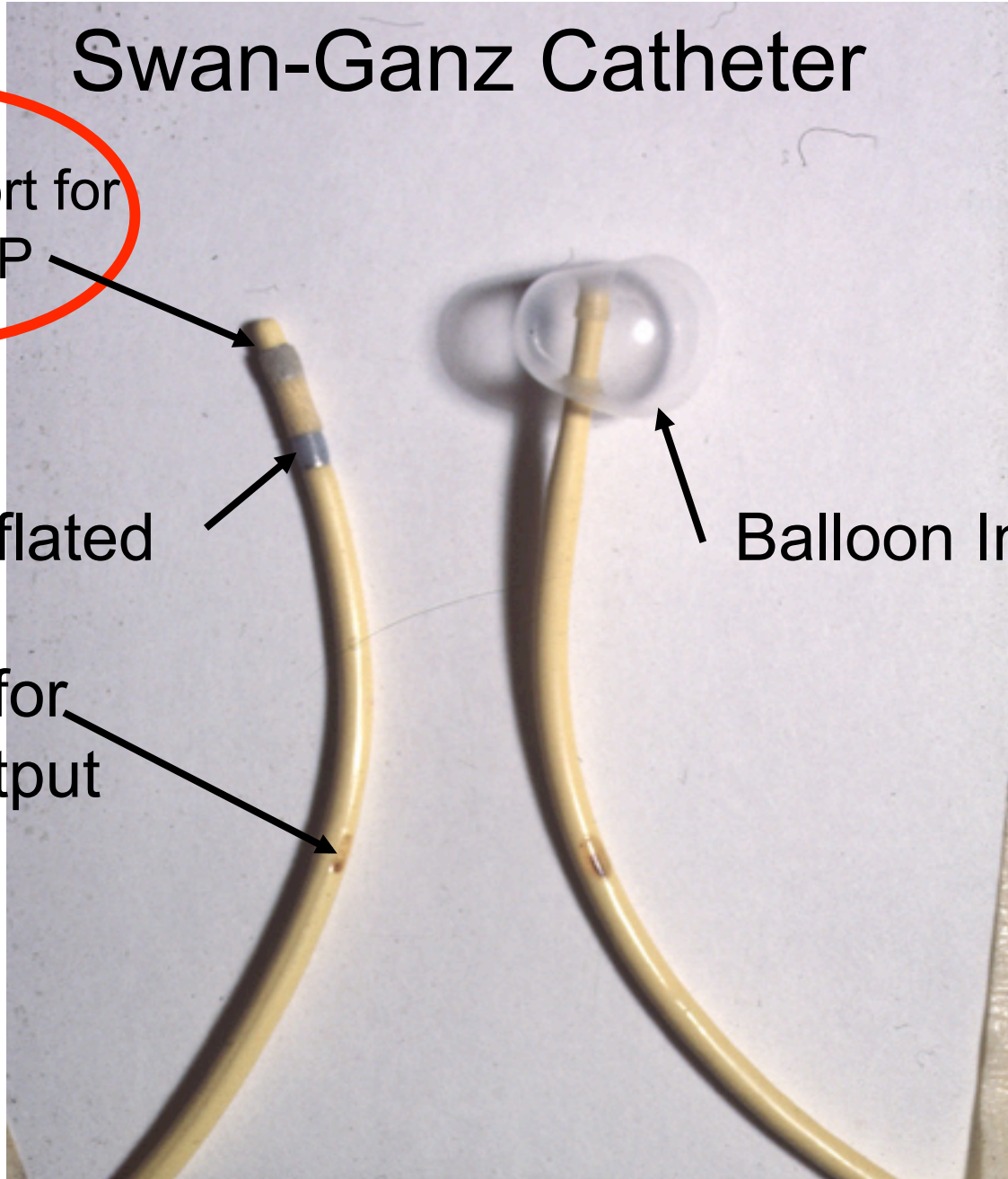
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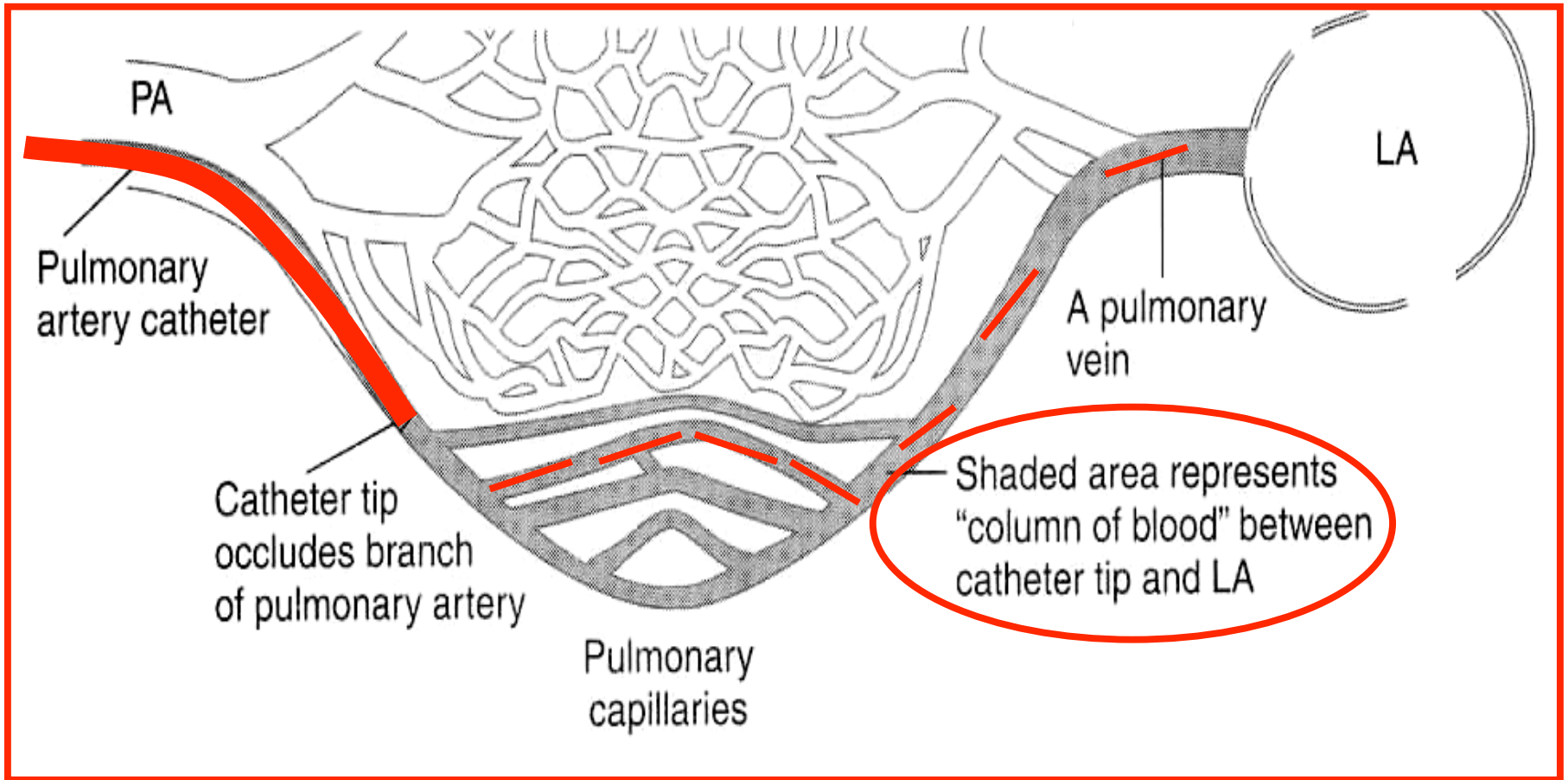
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Balloon Deflated

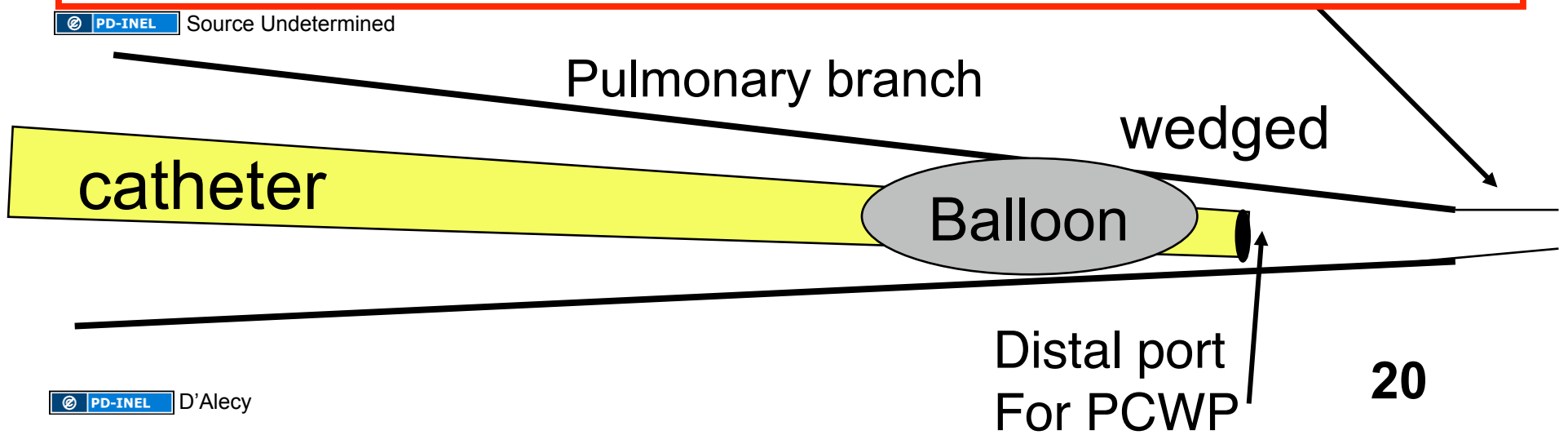
Thermistor for  
Cardiac Output

Balloon Inflated



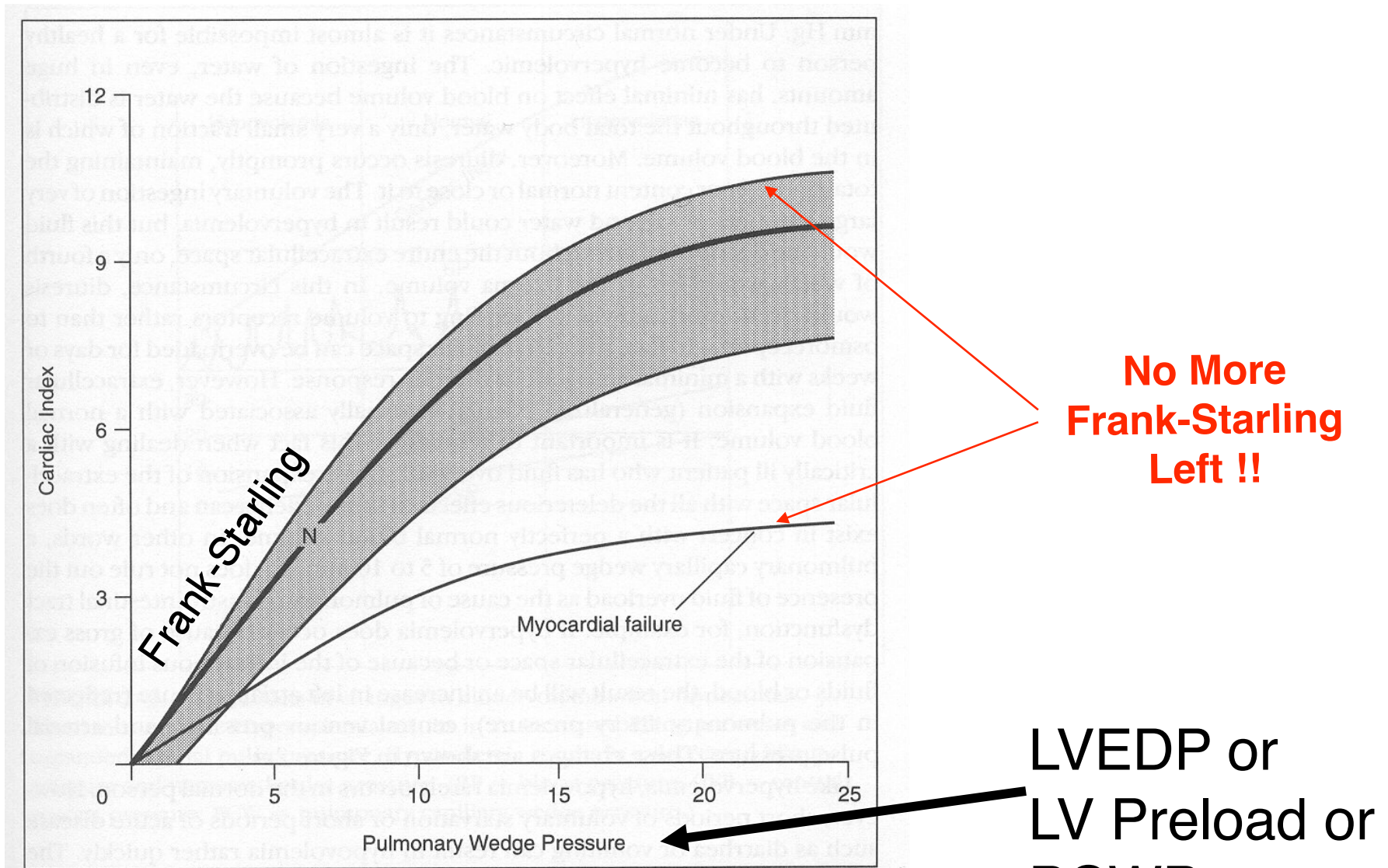


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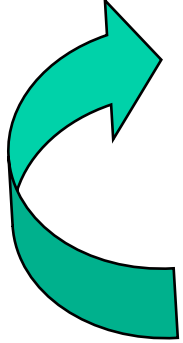
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# Bartlett, Critical Care Physiology: Fig 2-3



**FIGURE 2-3.** Frank-Starling curve describing cardiac function. The normal (N) relationships are in the shaded area.

**LV EDV**

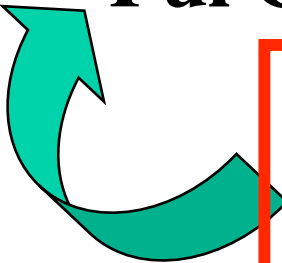


**LV EDP (Preload)**

**LAP**

**Pulmonary Venous P**

**Pul Cap P**



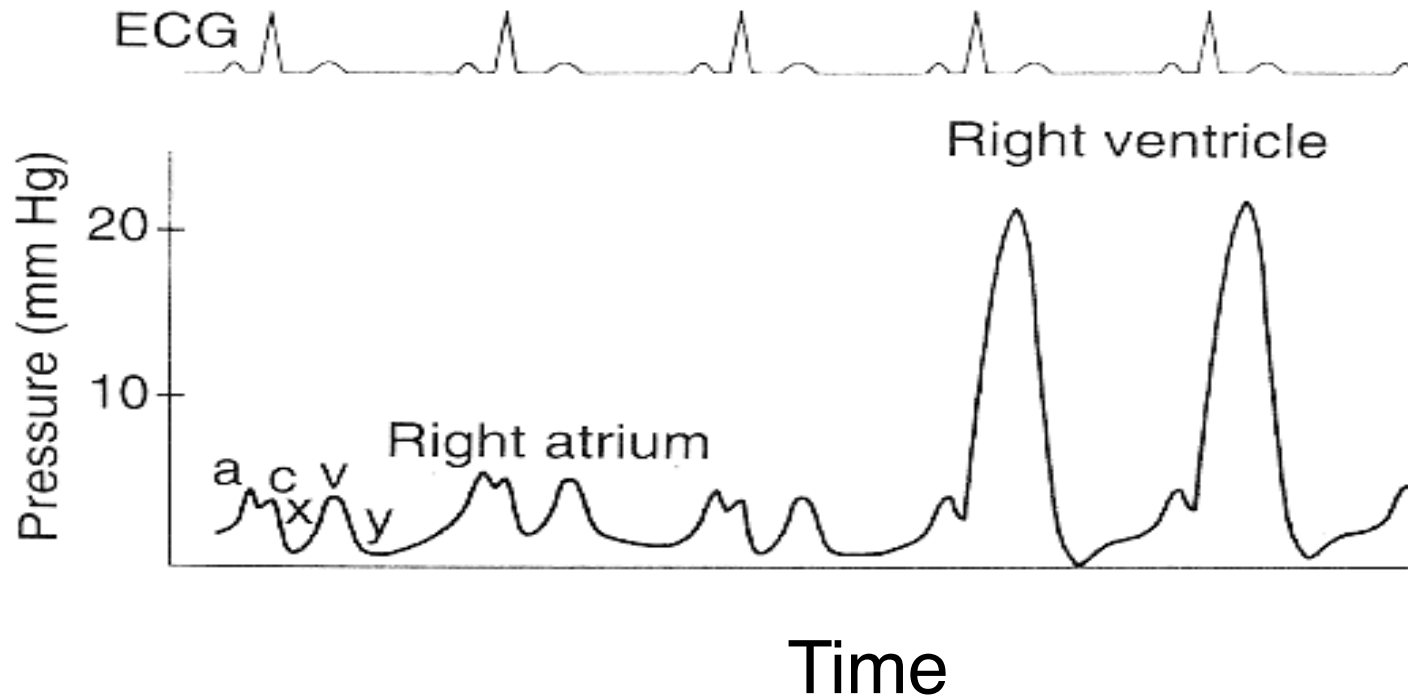
**Pulmonary Capillary  
Wedge Pressure**



**PCWP is used as an index of LV EDP**

**PRELOAD**

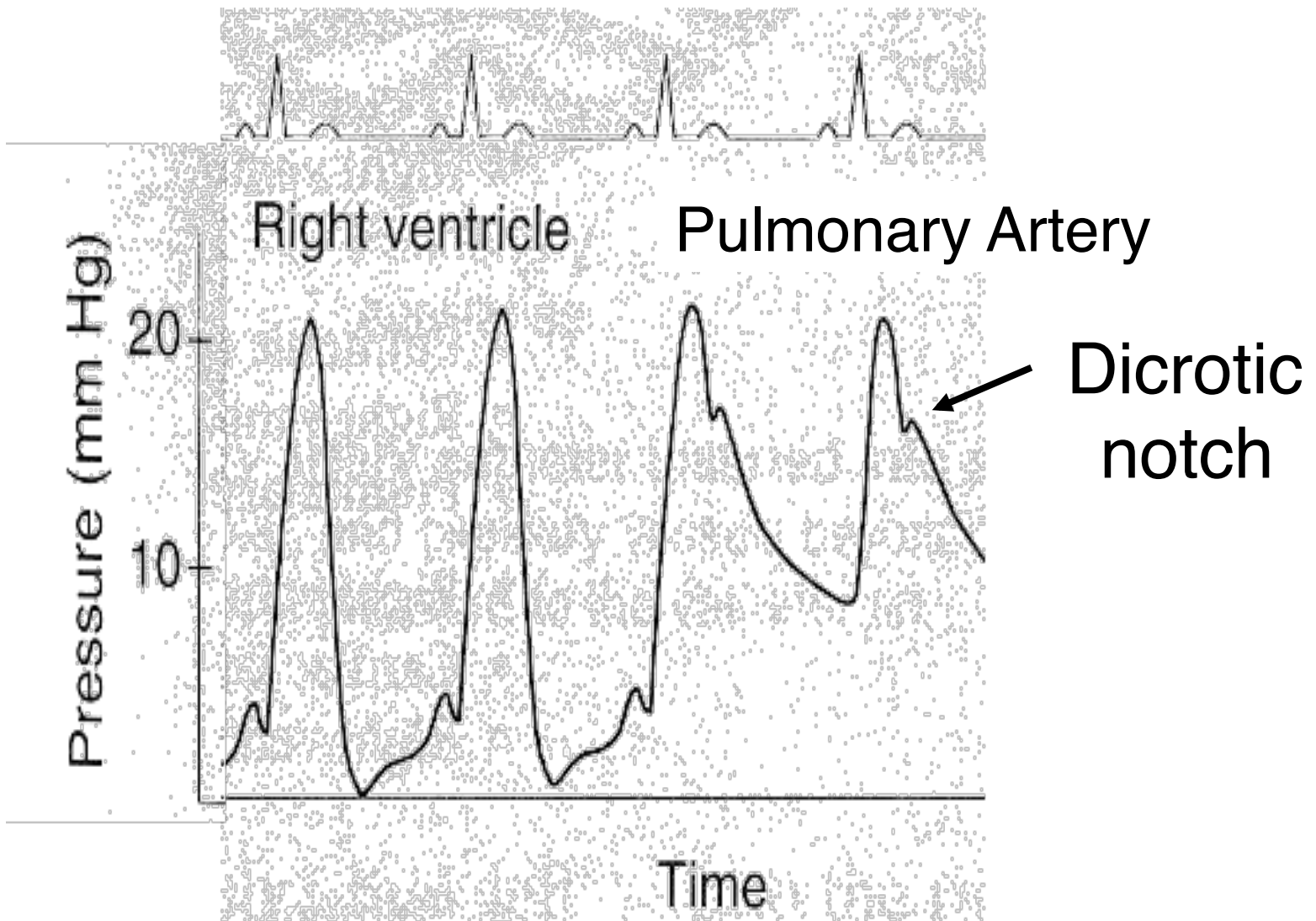
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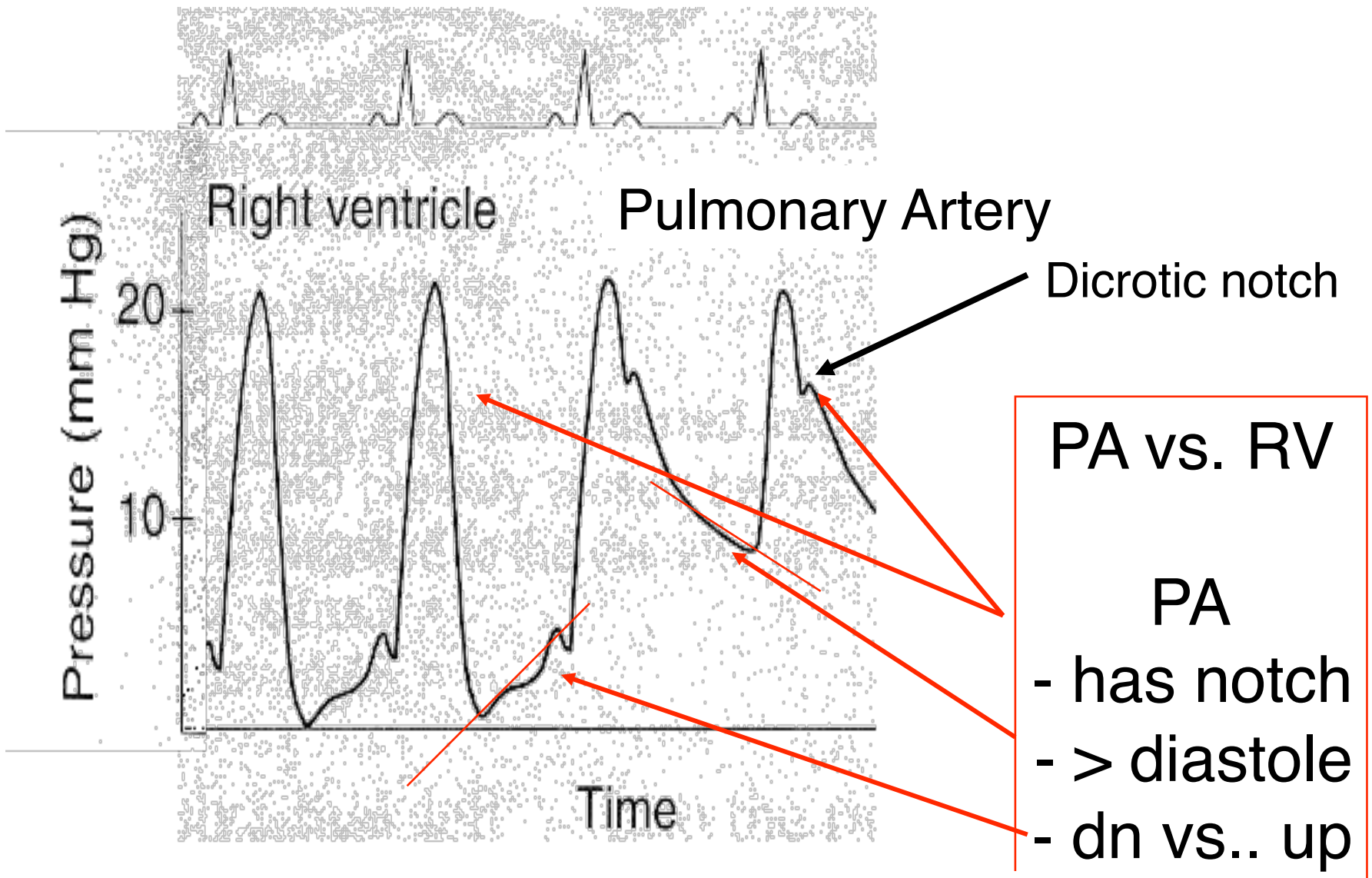
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## Through Right Heart



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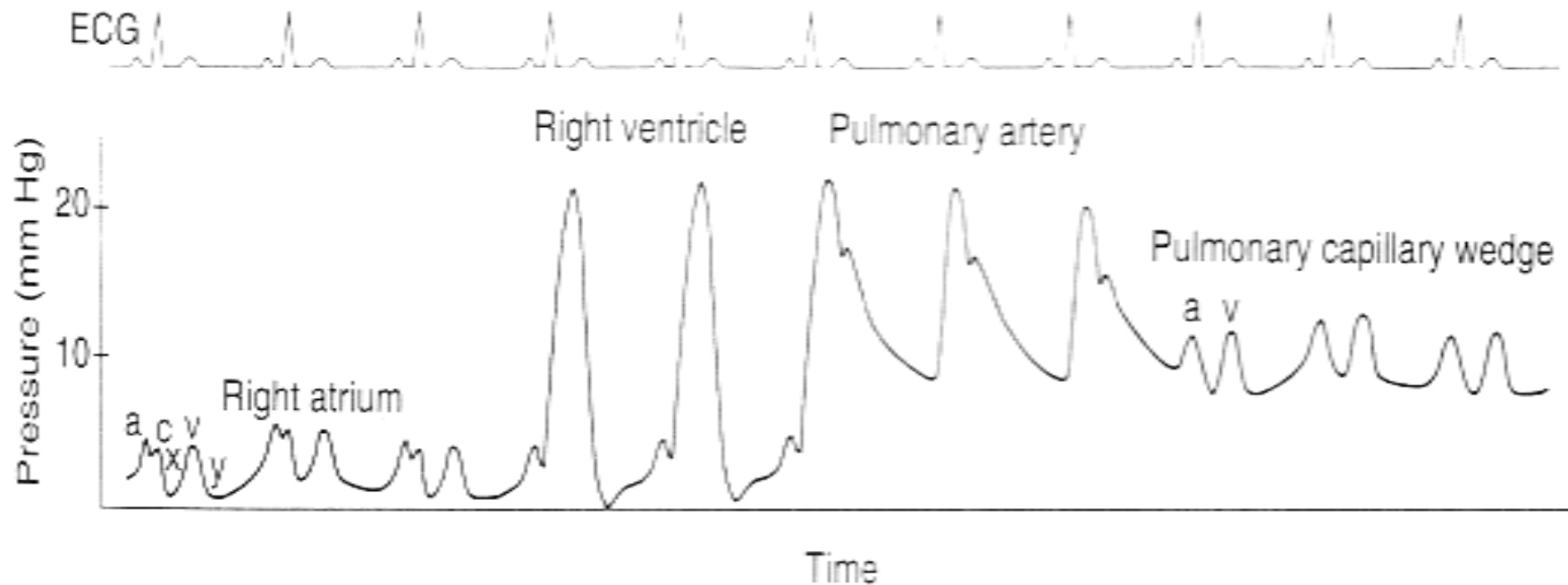




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Pressure wave difference between PA and RV

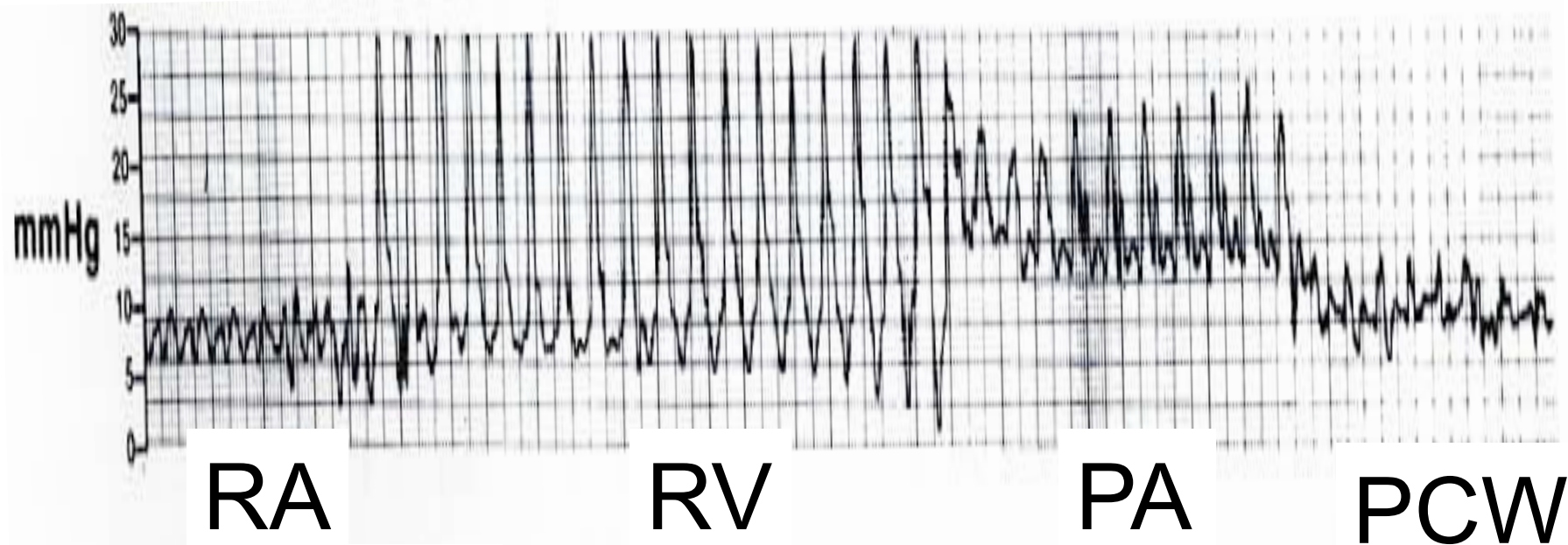
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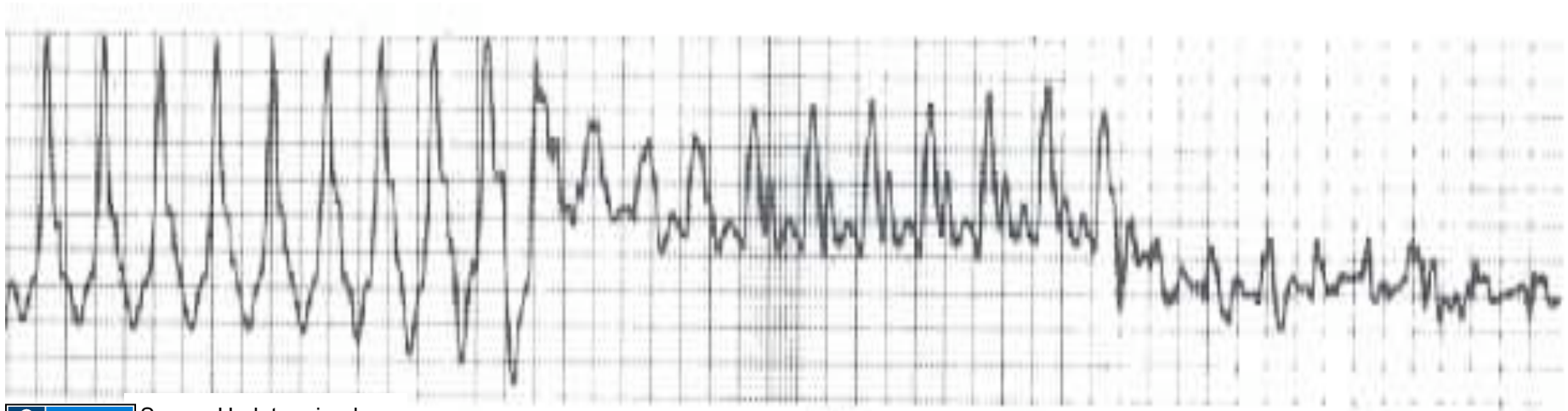
## Through Right Heart to PA & PCWP



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Pressure Changes as  
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Through Right Heart

# Swan-Ganz Catheter Pressure Recording

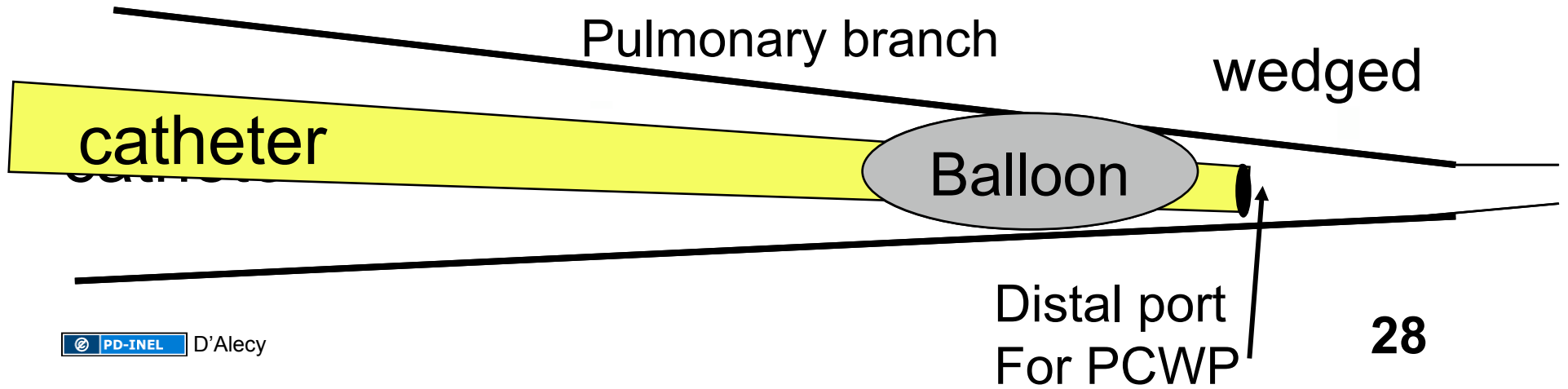


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Right Ventricle

Pulmonary Artery

Pul. Cap Wedge



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**LV EDV**

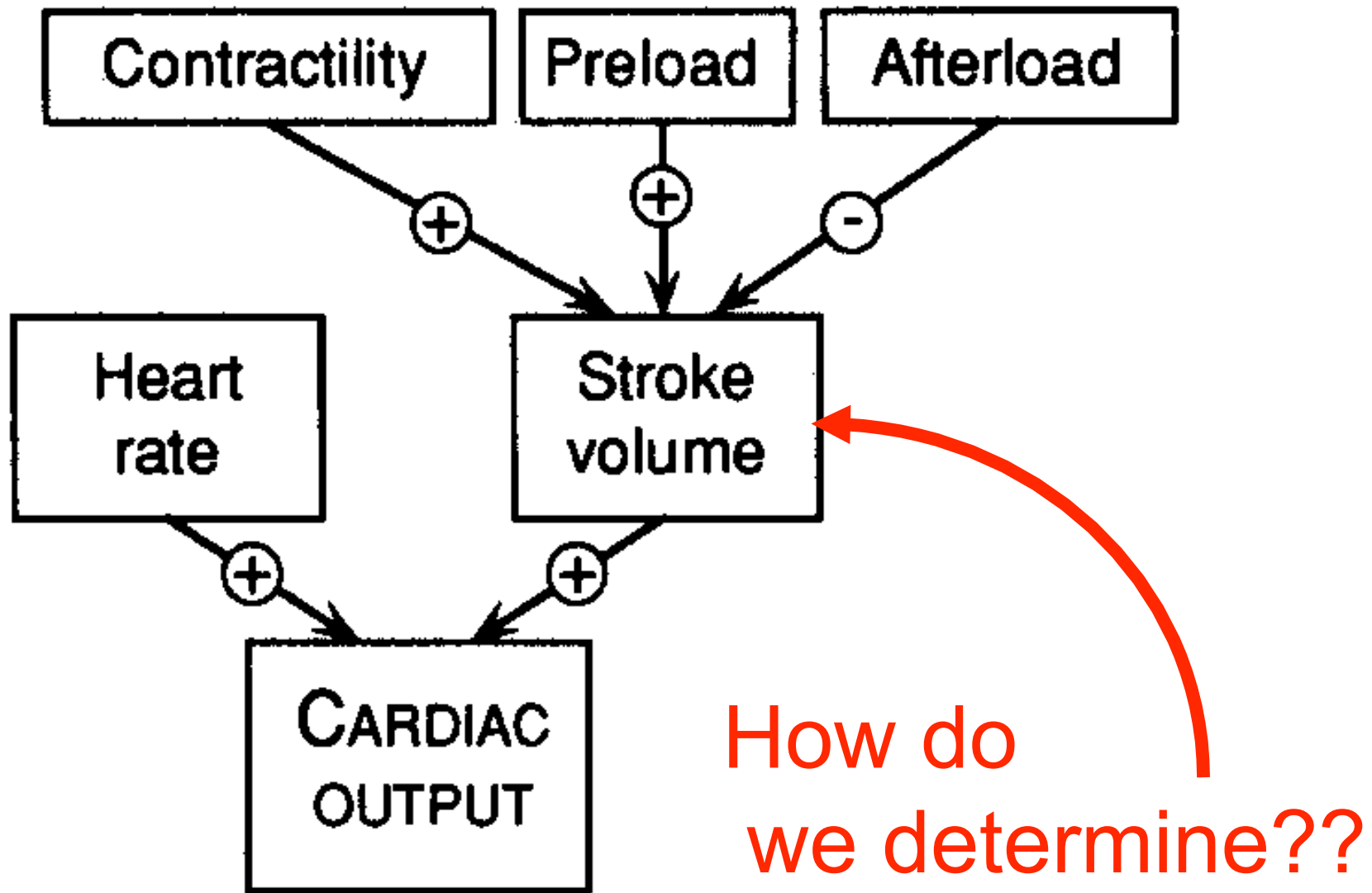
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Wedge Pressure**

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?Transesophageal Echocardiogram?

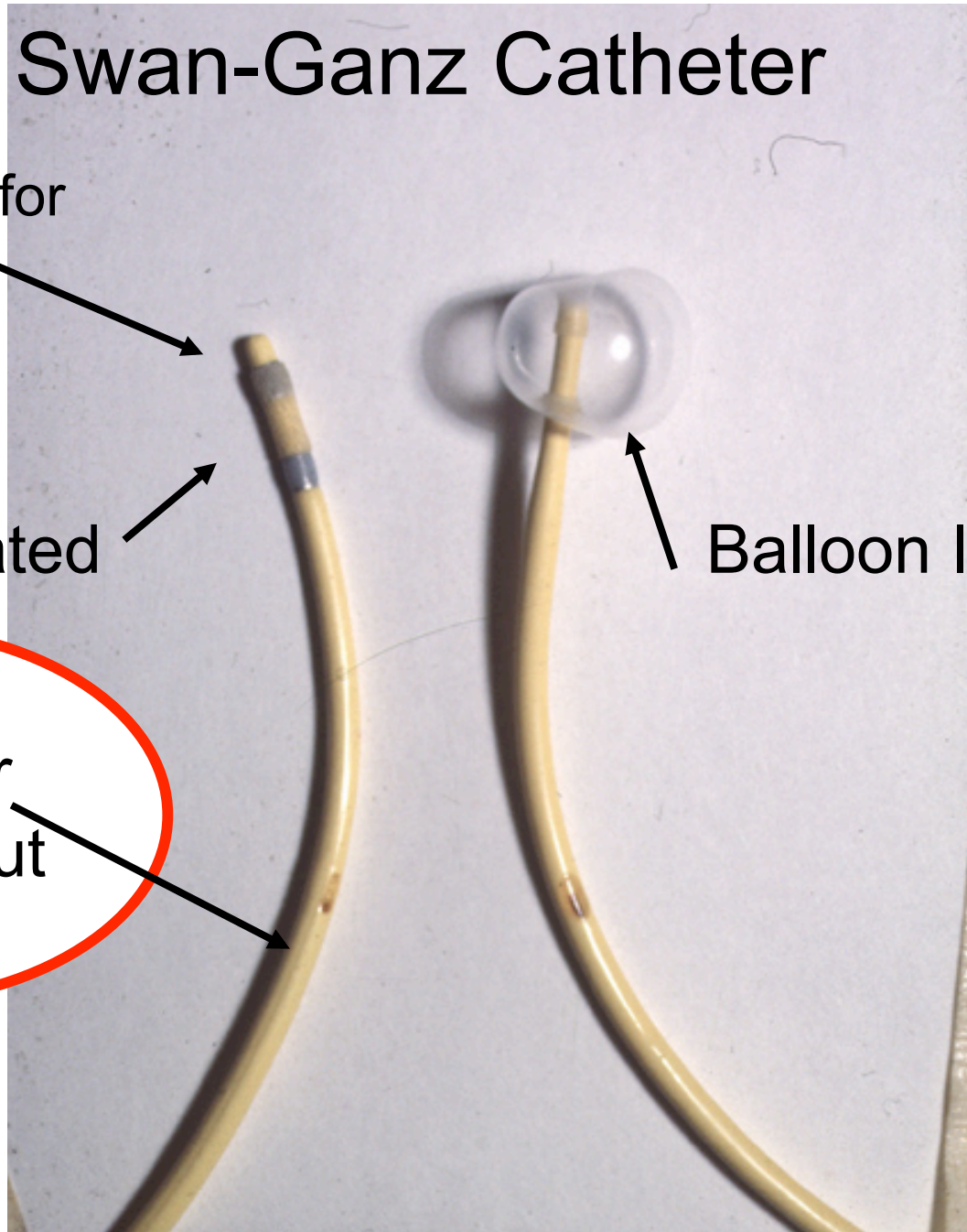
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Distal Port for  
PCWP

Balloon Deflated

Balloon Inflated

Thermistor for  
Cardiac Output



**Heart Rate X Stroke Volume = Cardiac Output**

**Measure**

**Cardiac Output by Thermal Dilution**

**Calculate SV**

$$\begin{array}{rclcl} \text{HR} & \times & \text{SV} & = & \text{CO} \\ \text{b/min} & \times & \text{mL/b} & = & \text{mL/min} \end{array}$$



<b>Cardiovascular System Central Pressures (mmHg)</b>		
	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>TYPICAL</b>
<b>1 Right Atrium</b>	<b>-1 to +7</b>	<b>+3</b>
<b>2 Rt. Ventricle</b>		
<b>Systolic</b>	<b>15 to 30</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Diastolic</b>	<b>0 to 8</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>3 Pulmonary Artery (PAP)</b>		
<b>Systolic</b>	<b>15 to 30</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Diastolic</b>	<b>8 to 15</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Mean</b>	<b>10 to 20</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>4 Pulmonary Capillary     Wedge Pressure</b>	<b>8 to 12</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>5 Left Ventricle</b>		
<b>Systolic</b>	<b>90 to 140</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>Diastolic</b>	<b>5 to 12</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>6 Aorta (Systemic Art.)</b>		
<b>Systolic</b>	<b>90 to 140</b>	<b>125</b>
<b>Diastolic</b>	<b>60 to 90</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>Mean</b>	<b>70 to 108</b>	<b>90</b>

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