

Laser-Doppler Blood Perfusion Flowmetry  
for studying  
Post-Occlusion Reactive Hyperaemia  
and Drug Administration by Iontophoresis

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# LDV: Principles

## Principle of Laser-Doppler Blood Flow Perfusion Monitoring in Tissue

- A **laser beam** with pencil shape will be **scattered**
- by **structures** (particles, cells, vessels, ...) in tissue.
- If these structures have a **velocity**
- the scattered light will get a slight **Doppler frequency shift**.
- This shift can be measured by **mixing** the emerging light
- with the original **incident** light.
- The shift is **proportional** to the averaged (\*) particle **velocity**
- and the **amount** of scattering particles involved.
- (\*) “averaged”: over directions and magnitudes of particle velocities

# LDV: Principles

Principle of laser Doppler:

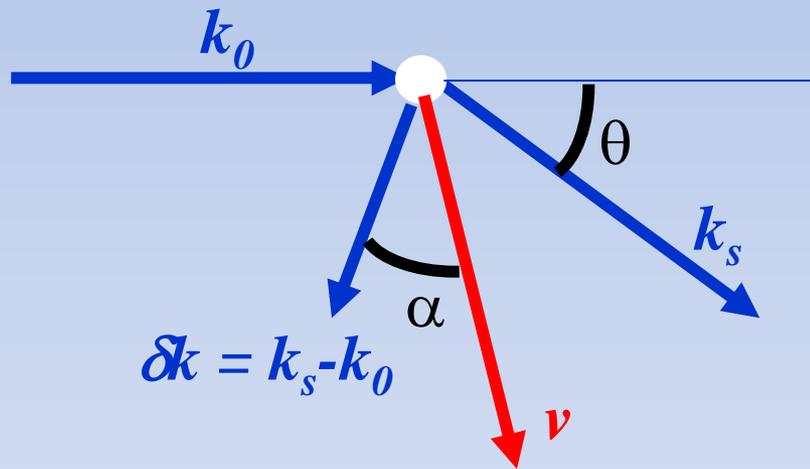
$v$  : particle velocity

$k_0$  and  $k_s$  :

incoming and scattered wavevectors

$k = 2\pi/\lambda$  ;  $\lambda =$  wavelength

$\omega_D = 2\pi f_D$ : Doppler frequency



$$\omega_D = (\vec{k}_s - \vec{k}_0) \cdot \vec{v}$$

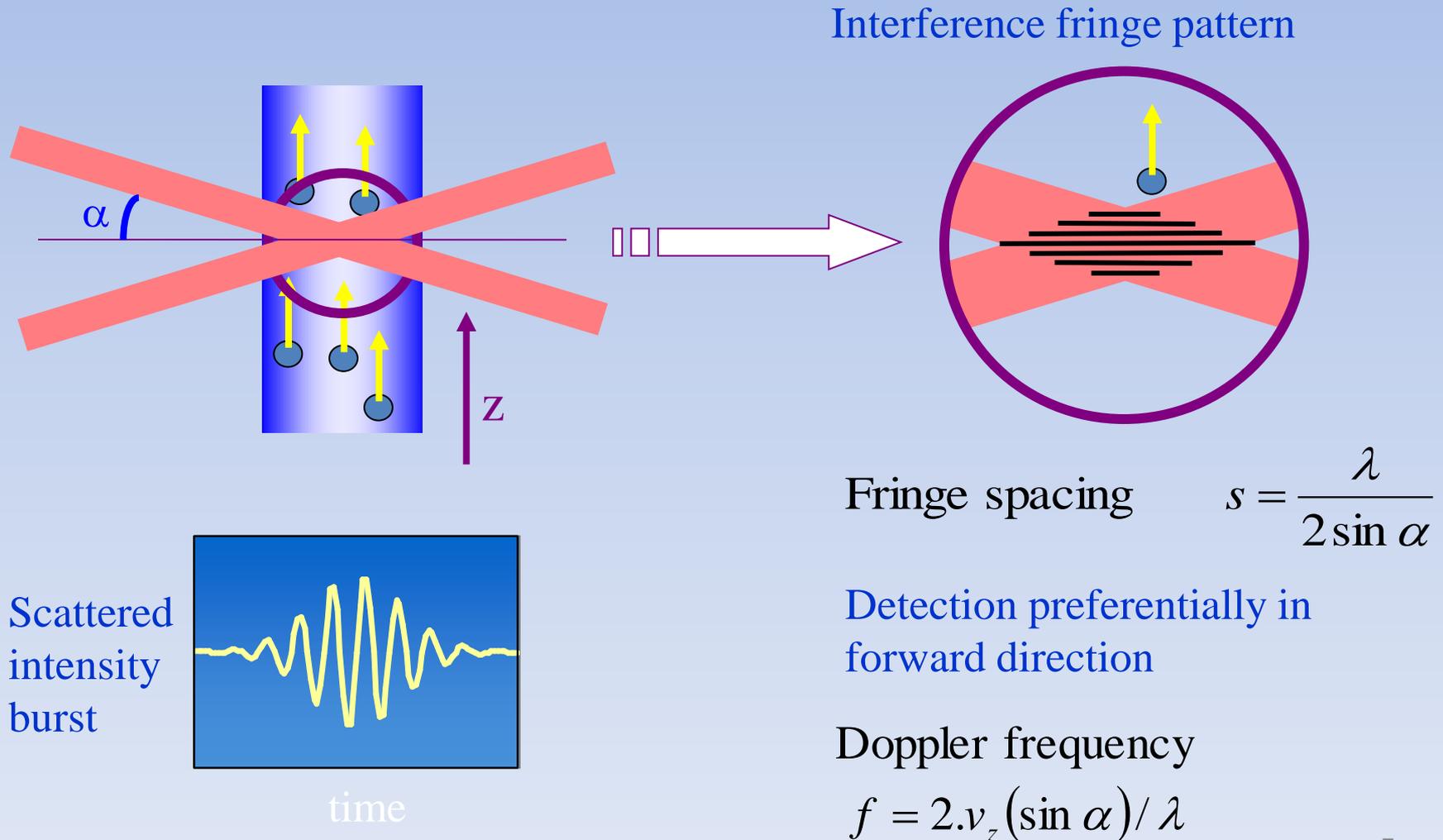
$$f_D = \frac{kv}{\pi} \sin \frac{1}{2} \theta \cos \alpha$$

Normally in tissue:  $\theta$  is small :  $\langle \theta \rangle < \approx 10^\circ$

→ approx.:  $\delta k \perp k_0, k_s$  : only  $v$ -component  $\perp k_0$  measured

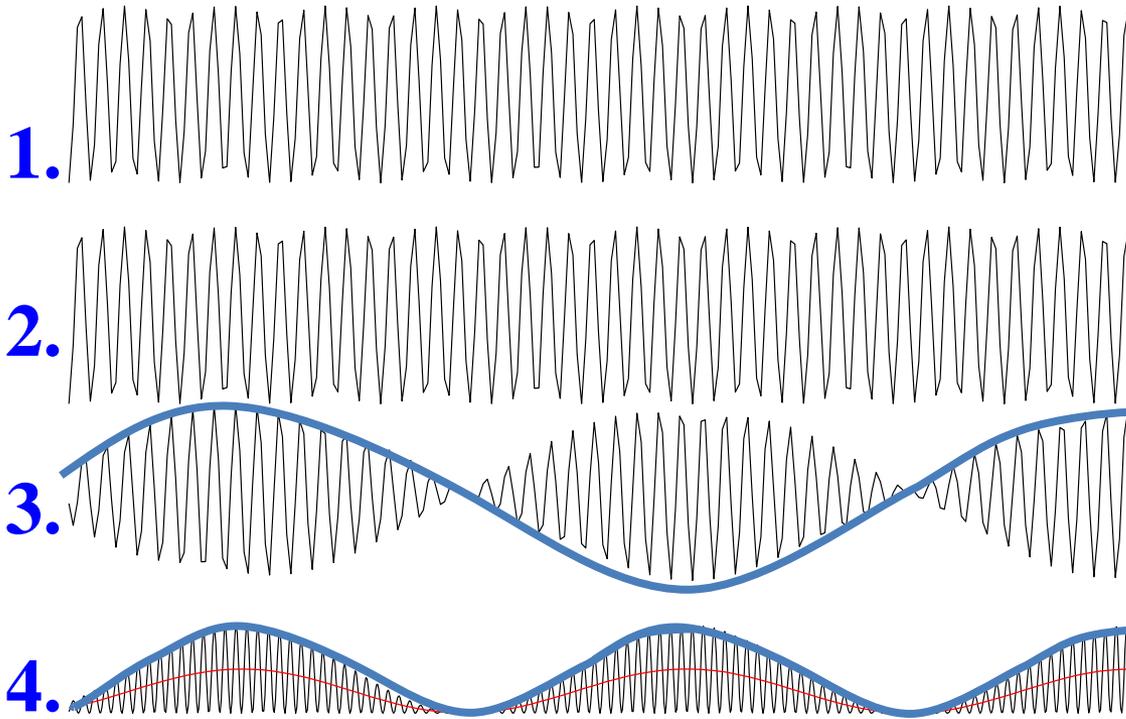
# LDV: Types of Instruments (1)

## (A) Differential (Dual-beam) Laser Doppler Velocimetry



# LDV: Types of Instruments (2)

## (A) Differential (Dual-beam) Laser Doppler Velocimetry



**1.** Original frequency

$$\omega \quad [ \approx 10^{14} \text{ Hz} ]$$

**2.** Doppler-shifted frequency

$$\omega + \omega_D \quad [ \approx 10^{14} \text{ Hz} ]$$

**3.** Doppler frequency

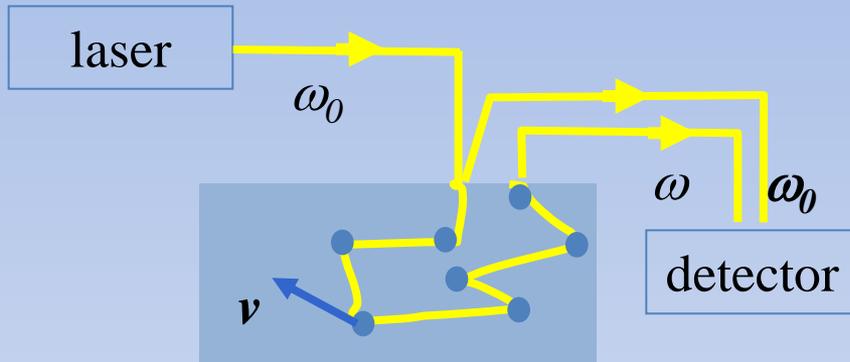
$$\omega_D \quad [ < \approx 20 \text{ kHz} ]$$

**4.** Doppler intensity signal :

$$\sim (\text{freq. sign})^2$$

# LDV: Types of Instruments (3)

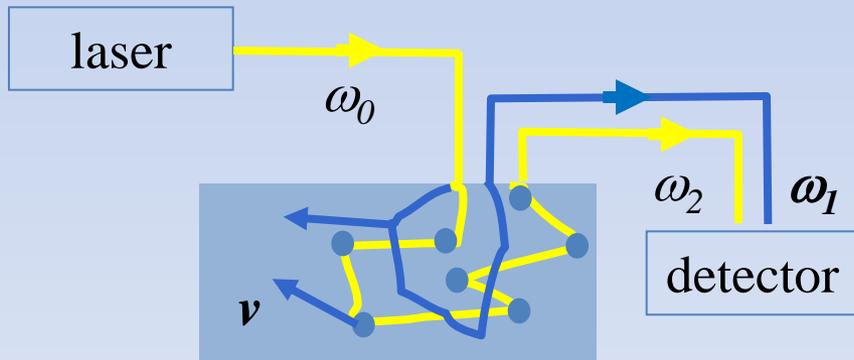
## (B) Laser Doppler Perfusion Velocimetry



Averaged Doppler frequency:  $\Delta\omega$

Heterodyne mixing

$$\Delta\omega = \omega - \omega_0$$



Homodyne mixing

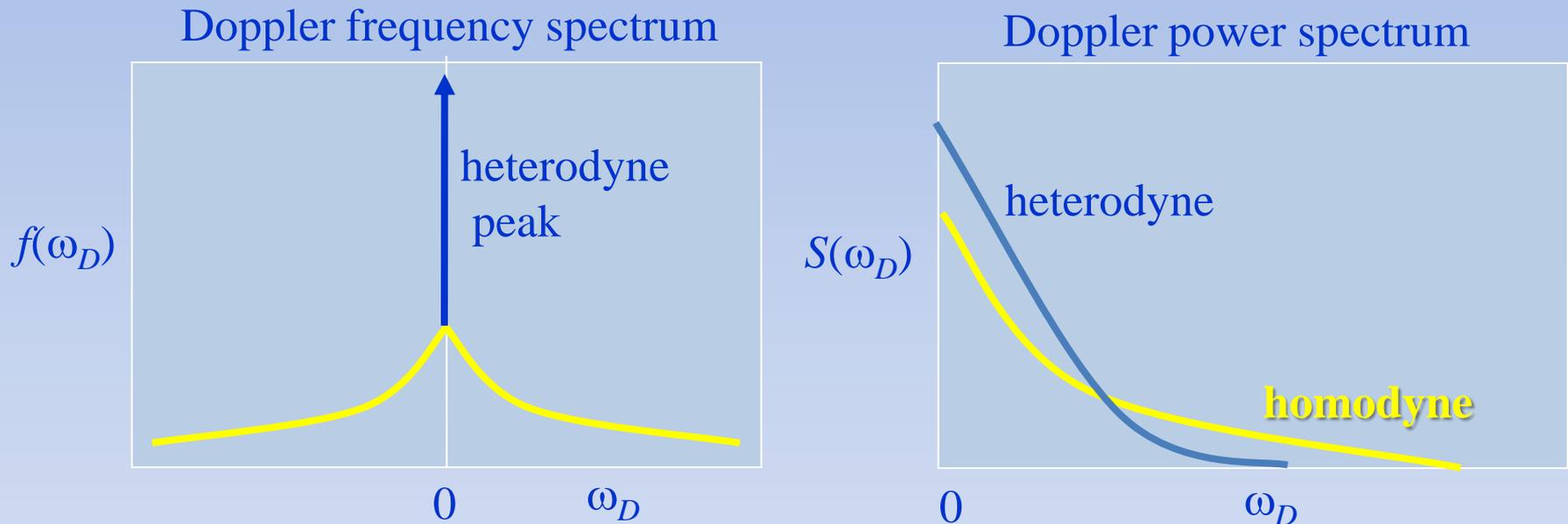
$$\Delta\omega = \omega_1 - \omega_2$$

Averaging by:

- random velocities
- (multiple) scattering in random directions

# LDPV: Spectra (1)

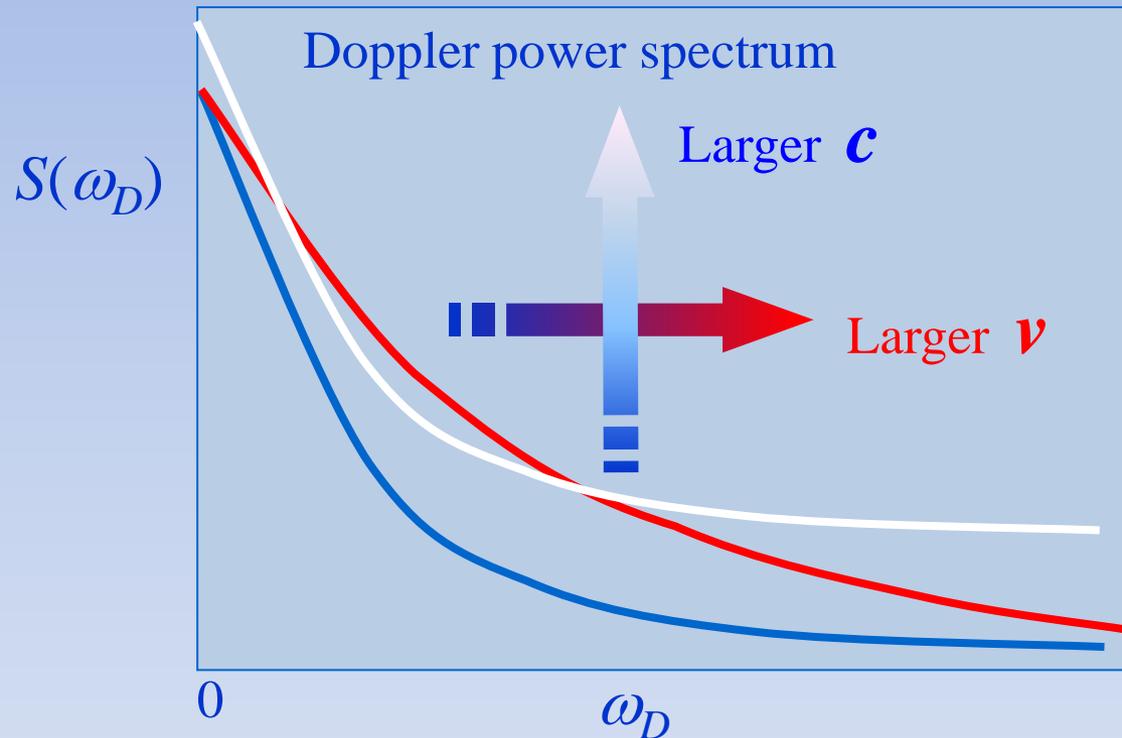
## (B) Laser Doppler Perfusion Velocimetry



Heterodyne peak: due to large amount of non-Doppler shifted scattered photons.

# LDPV: Spectra (2)

## (B) Laser Doppler Perfusion Velocimetry



Power spectrum depends on:

- concentration  $C$
- velocity  $v$

Moments of Power spectrum :

$$M_n = \int_0^{\infty} \omega^n \cdot S(\omega) d\omega$$

( $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ )

Moments:

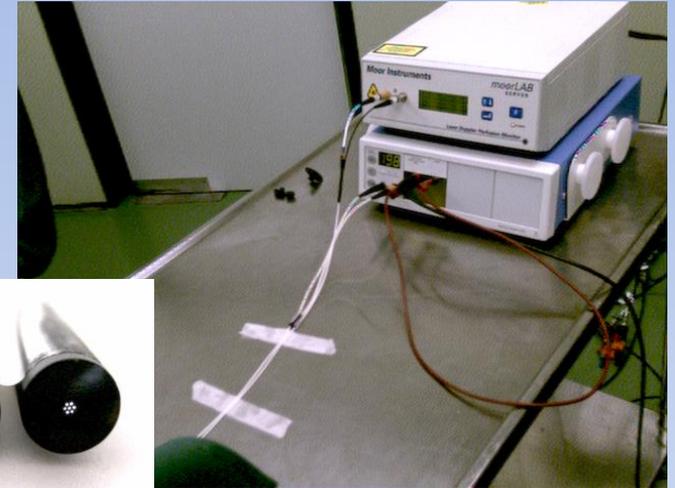
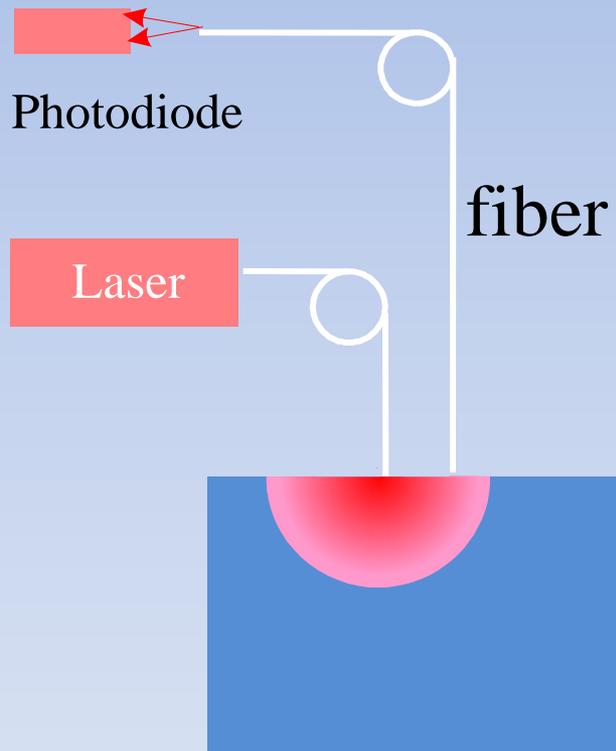
$M_0$ : ~ concentration of moving scatterers

$M_1$ : ~ flux of moving scatterers

$M_1 / M_0$  : ~ velocity

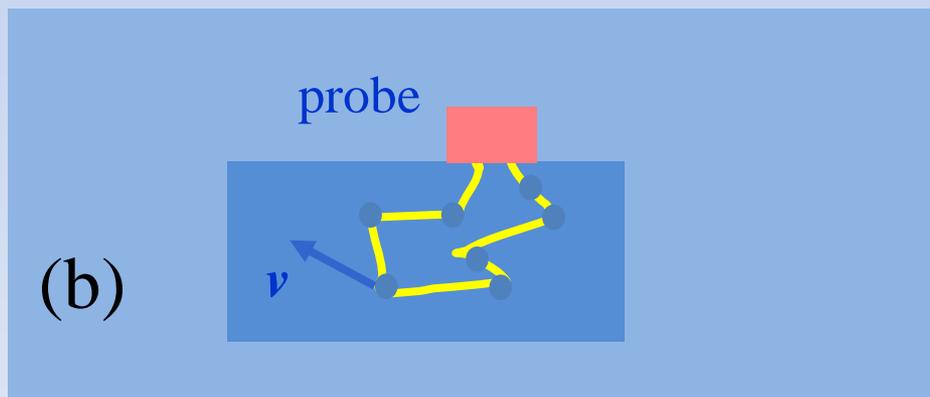
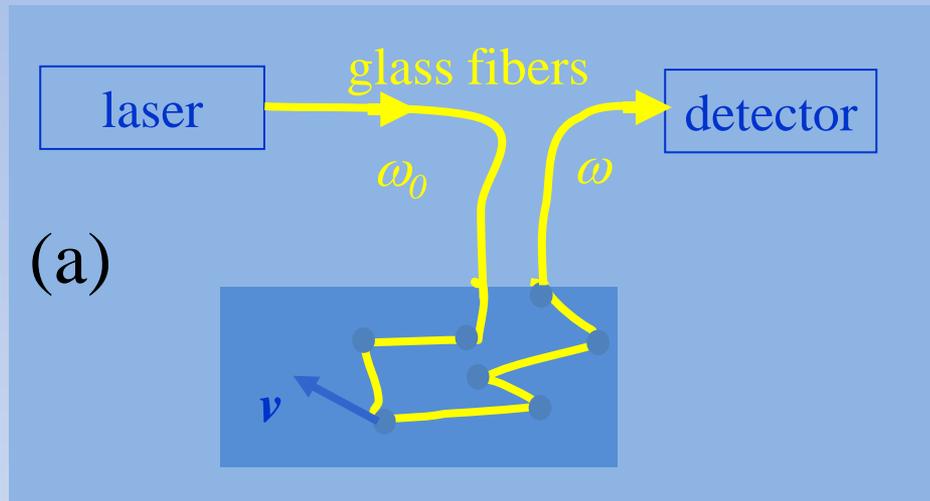
# LDPV

## (B) Laser Doppler Perfusion Velocimetry



# LDPV: Instruments

## (B) Laser Doppler Perfusion Velocimetry: Instrument design

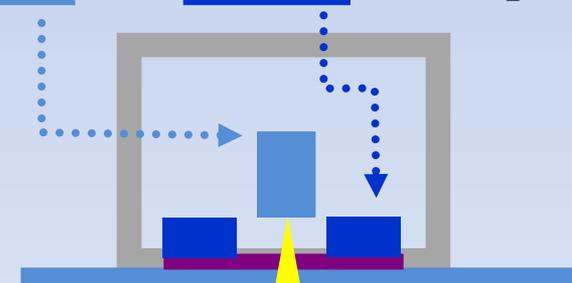


(a) Glass fibers for light transport

Disadvantages:

- motional artefacts
- sensitive for local variations

(b) Direct-contact velocimetry:  
Laser and detector in one probe



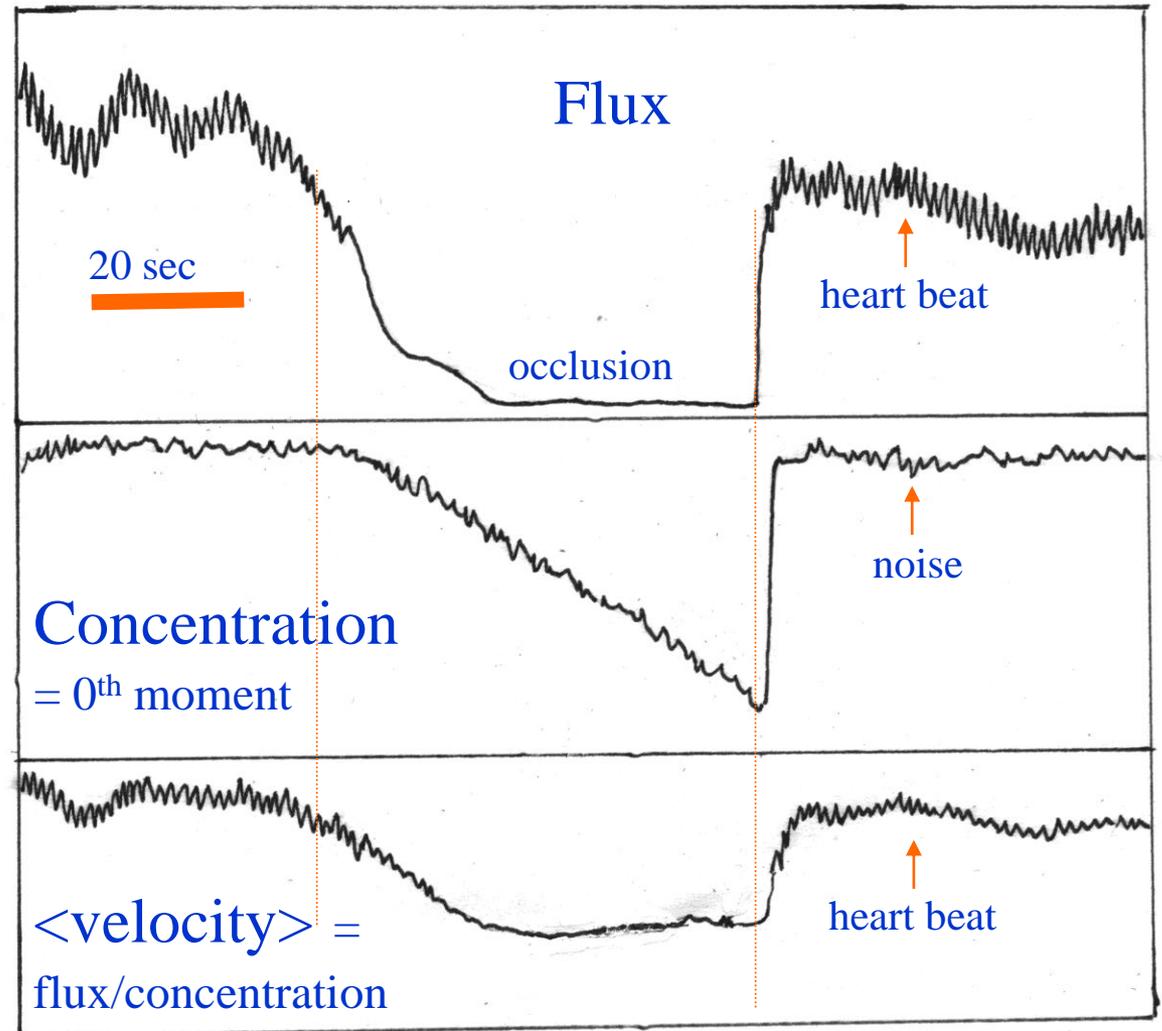
- no motional artefacts
- local averaging

# LDPV: Signals

## (B) Laser Doppler Perfusion Velocimetry

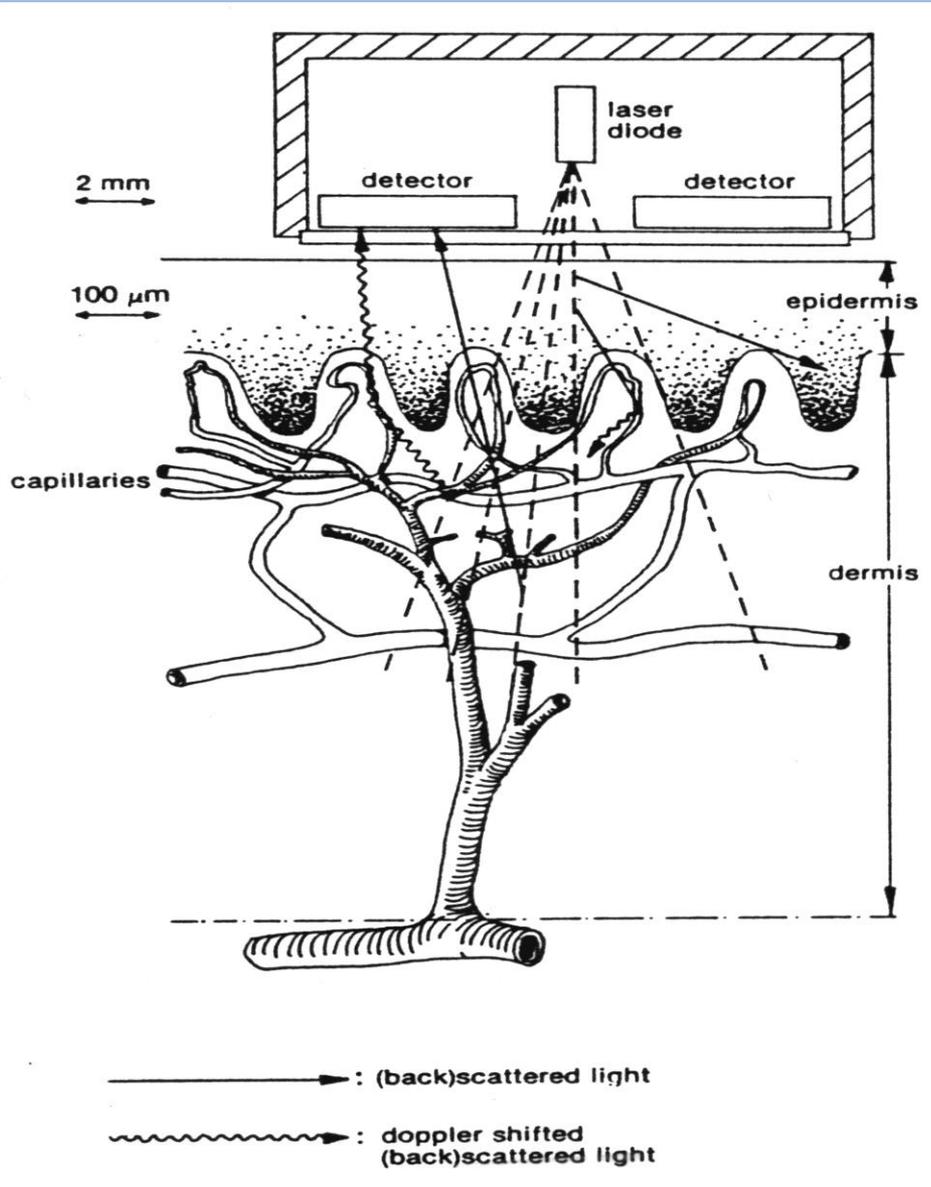
LD spectra of  
finger tip  
upon occlusion  
of upper arm

See software  
package  
LASDOPP



# LDPV: Skin Tissue

## (B) Laser Doppler Perfusion Velocimetry



Schematic cross section of  
Skin tissue

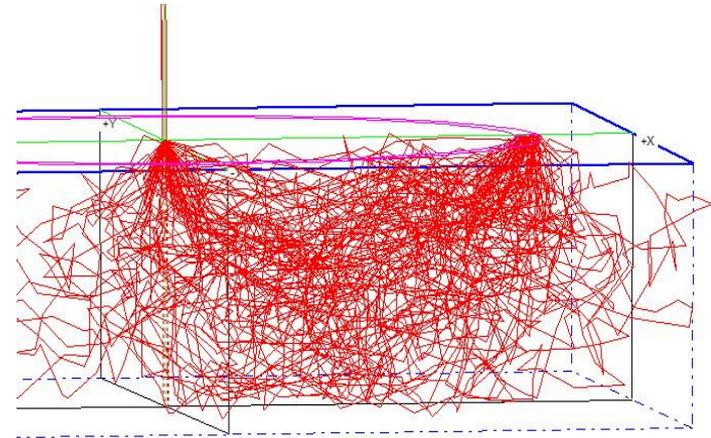
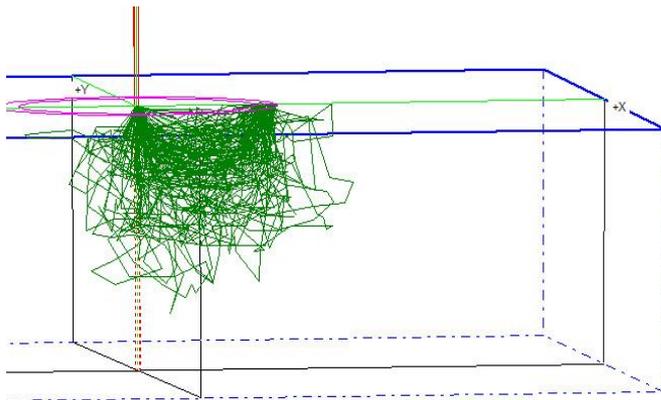
Needed:  
Data about perfusion of  
different layers  
at different depths

# LDPV: Instruments

## (B) Laser Doppler Perfusion Velocimetry: Instrument design

### Depth sensitive sensor

- use detectors at different distances from the light source (see fig.)
- use different colors (**red** light probes deeper than **green**)



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A model for PORH  
(Post-Occlusion Reactive Hyperemia),  
as measured with  
Laser-Doppler Perfusion Monitoring

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# PORH-model

## ➤ **Microcirculation:**

blood flow through **microvasculature** ( $< 1$  mm diameter)

## ➤ **Regulation of microcirculation:**

➤ controlled by **musculature** of the arterioles

➤ based on ambient **temperature** and/or **concentration** of metabolism-related substances ( $O_2$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $NO\dots$ )

➤ operating through **vasodilatation**

## ➤ **Peripheral Arterial Occlusive Disease (PAOD):**

➤ **stenoses** in proximal arteries.

➤ decrease of available **pressure level** in arterioles

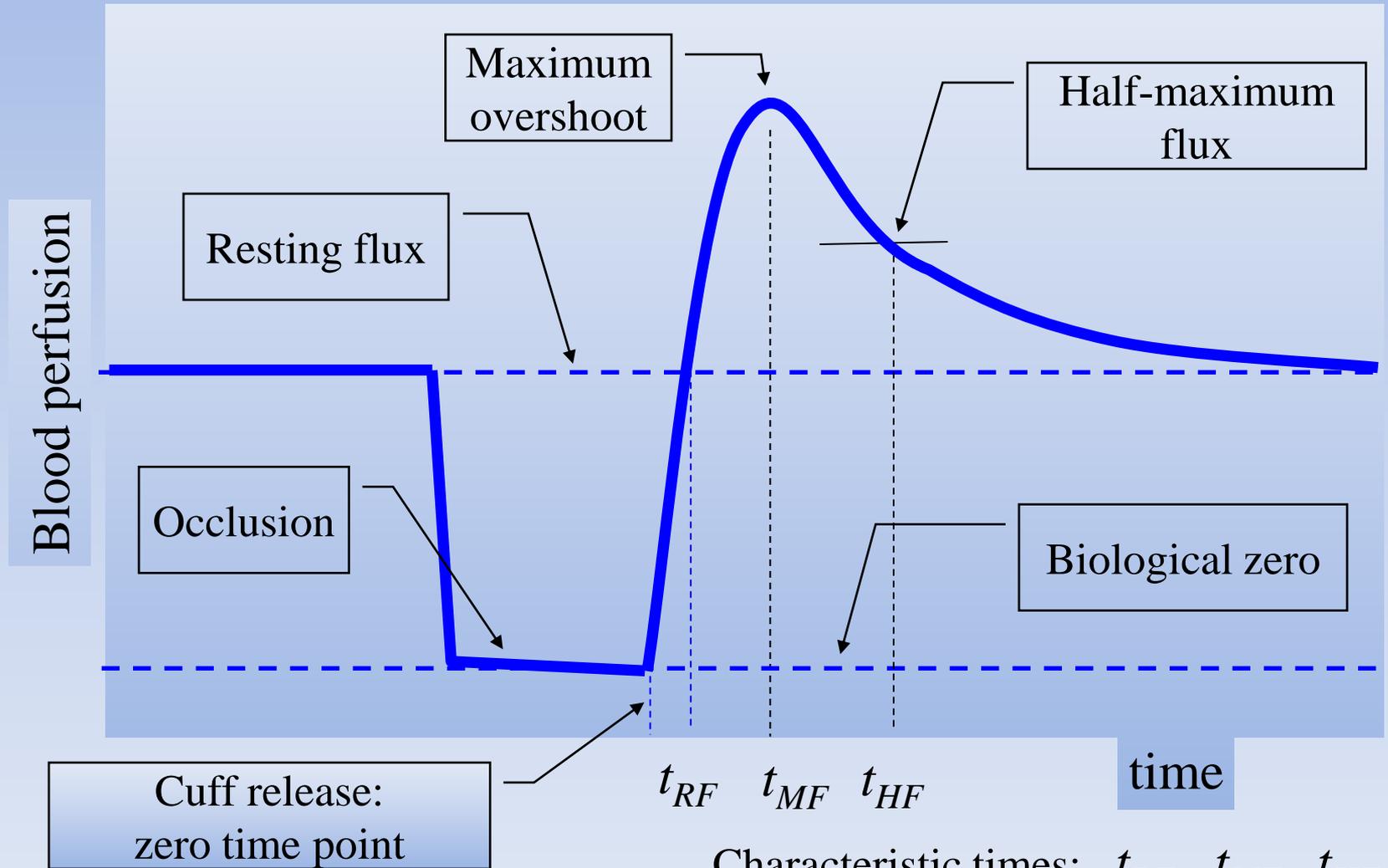
➤ **vasodilatation** impaired or delayed

# PORH-model

- **Post-Occlusive Reactive Hyperemia (PORH)-test:**
  - to assess microvascular functioning
- **Procedure of PORH:**
  - **arterial occlusion** upstream in artery to extremity
  - before, during and after **arterial occlusion:**
    - local blood perfusion measured at **distal extremity**
    - **as function of time**

# PORH-model

- PORH-test procedure

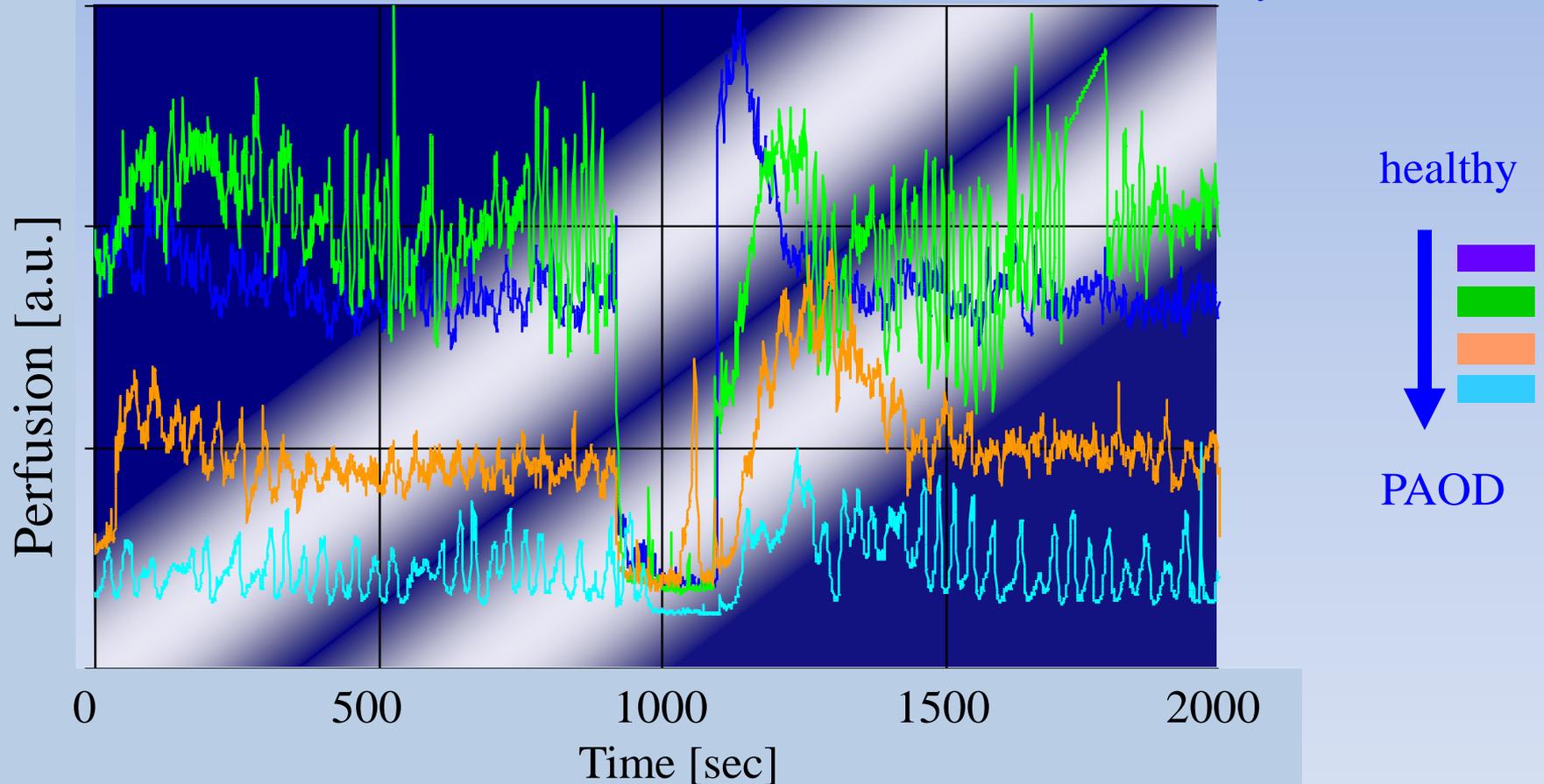


Characteristic times:  $t_{RF}$ ,  $t_{MF}$ ,  $t_{HF}$

# PORH-model

Measured data (typical)

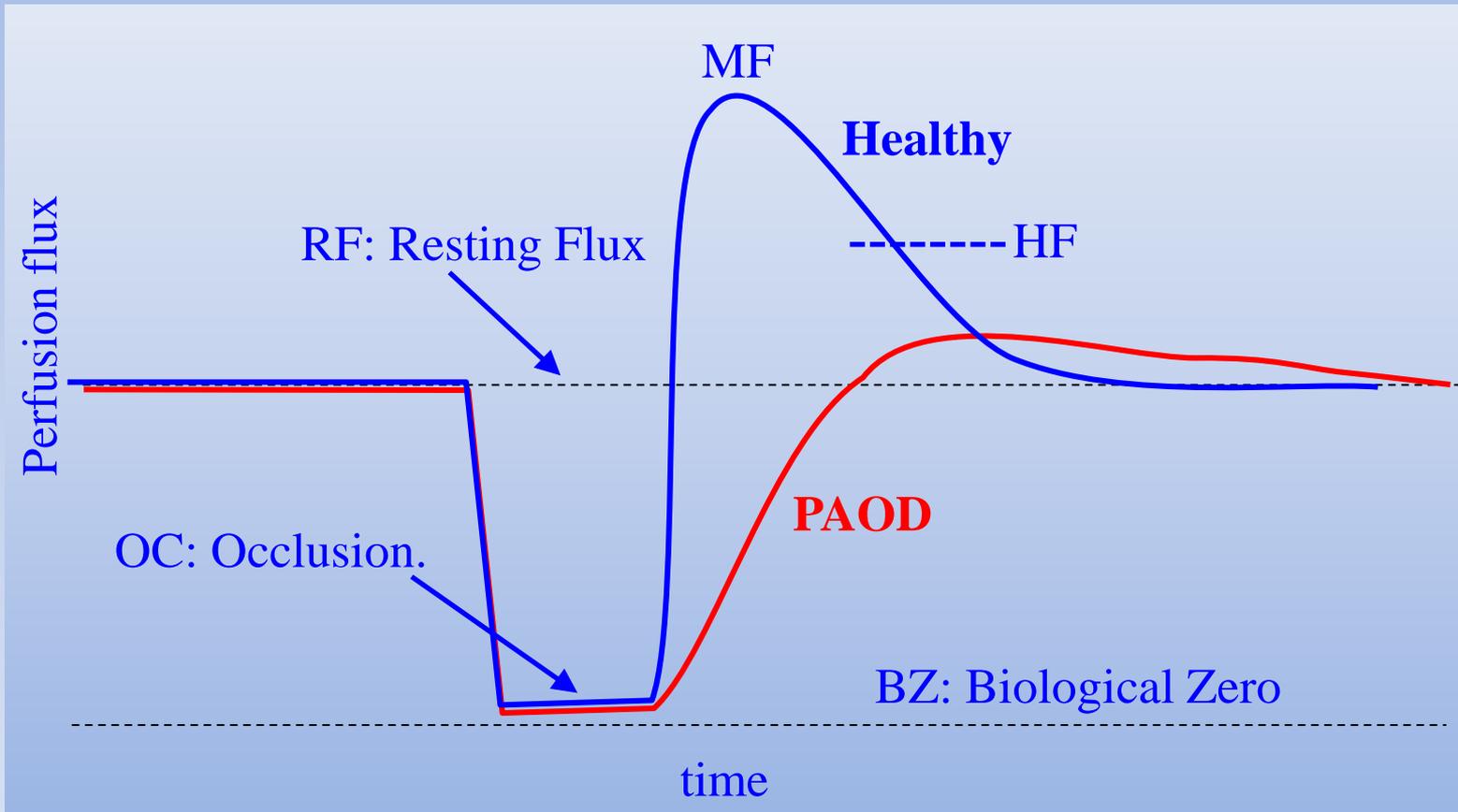
(all measurements by F. Morales)



**Healthy → PAOD:**

**Response to occlusion: Slower and lower**

# PORH-model



**MF** = maximum, **HF** = half decrease time between maximum and resting flux,  
 $t_{RF}$  = time of cross point with **RF**.

# PORH-model

PAOD vs. Healthy:

- Longer time scales
- Rise time and Decrease time  
tend to become equal
- Decreased overshoot maximum

Similar behaviour for Diabetes patients

# PORH-model

## •Building blocks for the flow model:

$I$ : Flow [ $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ ]

$V$ : Pressure [ $\text{Pa} = \text{N}/\text{m}^2 = \text{J}/\text{m}^3$ ]

Electrical analogon

$I$ : Current [ $\text{C}/\text{s} = \text{A}$ ]

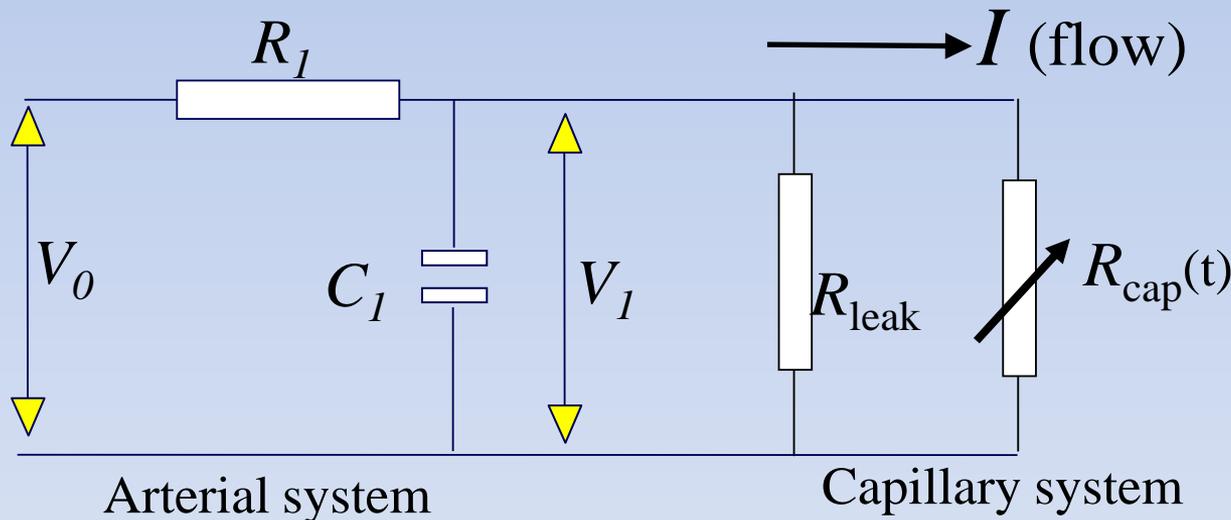
$V$ : Voltage [ $\text{V} = \text{J}/\text{C}$ ]

<u>Block</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Electrical analogon</u>	<u>Expression</u>
Flow resistance $R$		$\text{Pa}\cdot\text{s}/\text{m}^3$	$\text{V}/\text{A} = \text{Vs}/\text{C}$	$R = \frac{8\mu l}{\pi R_0^4}$
Compliance $C$		$\text{m}^3/\text{Pa}$	$\text{C}/\text{V}$	$C = \frac{3\pi R_0^3 l}{2Eh}$
Inertance $L$		$\text{Pa}\cdot\text{s} / (\text{m}^3/\text{s})$	$\text{V}\cdot\text{s} / \text{A}$	$L = \frac{9\rho l}{4\pi R_0^2}$

$\mu$  = viscosity [ $\text{Ns}/\text{m}^2$ ]  
 $l$  = tube length [m]  
 $R_0$  = tube radius [m]  
 $E$  = Young's elasticity modulus [ $\text{N}/\text{m}^2$ ]  
 $h$  = tube wall thickness [m]  
 $\rho$  = density [ $\text{kg}/\text{m}^3$ ]

# PORH-model

- **Model:**
- Two sub-models: “arterial” and “capillary”
- “**Arterial**” part: flow resistance + compliance
- “**Capillary**” part: time-dependent flow resistance



$V_0$  = driving pressure  
(battery)  
*supply tank*

$R$  = resistance  
*narrow tube*

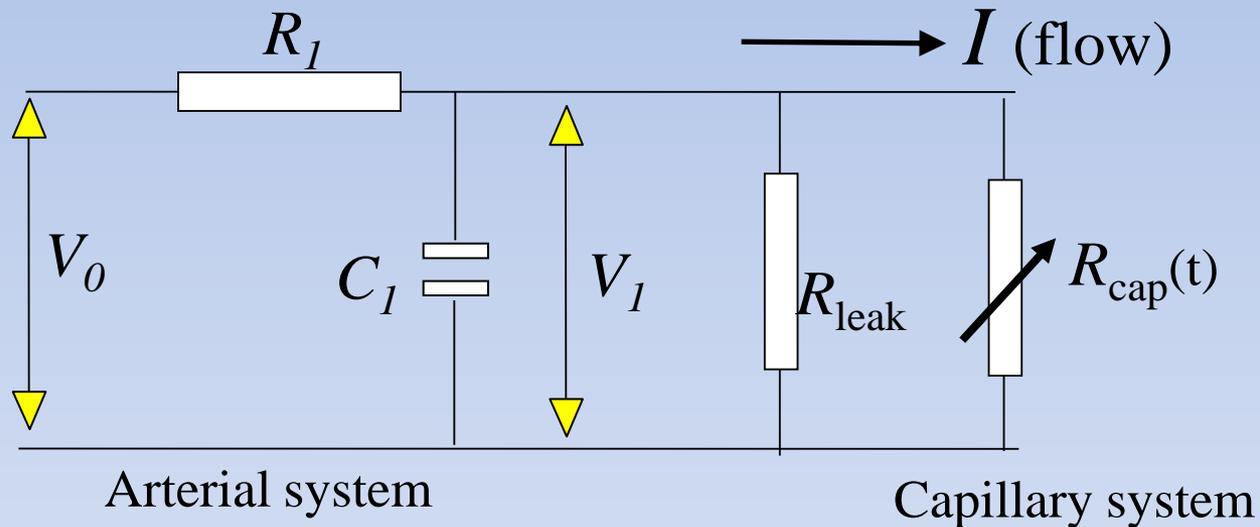
$C$  = compliance  
(capacitor)  
*storage vessel*

$I$  is the flow measured by LDF

$R_{leak}$  accounts for possible flow leakage passing capillary system

# PORH-model

- **Model with details:**
- Two sub-models: “arterial” and “capillary”

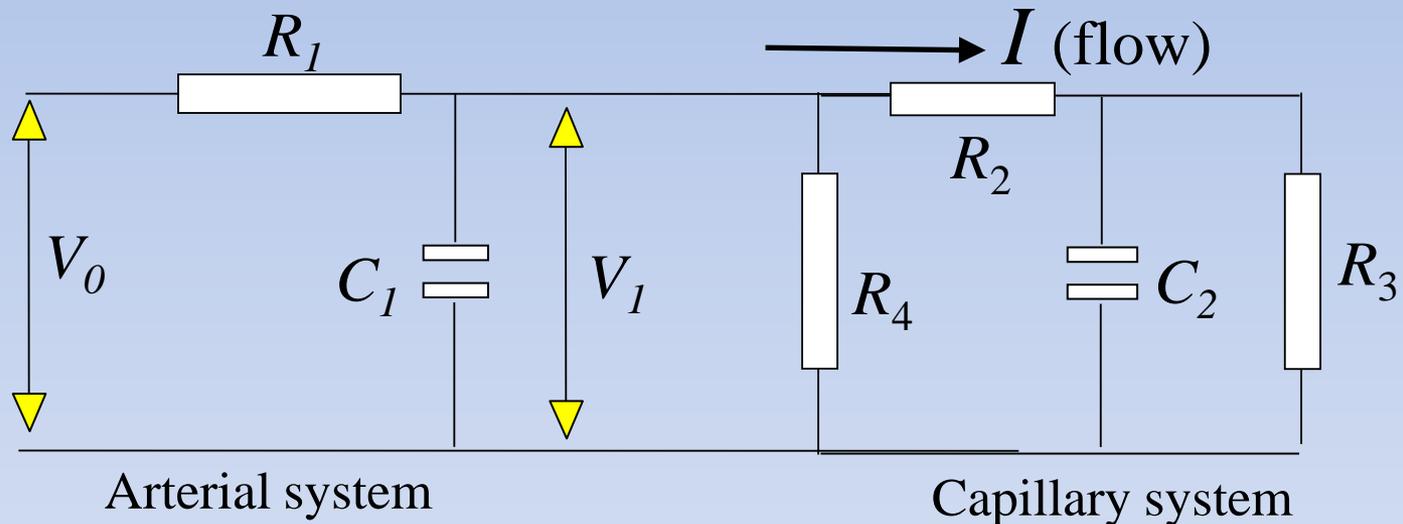


$R$ 's are resistances (narrow tubes)

$C$ 's are compliances (storage vessels)

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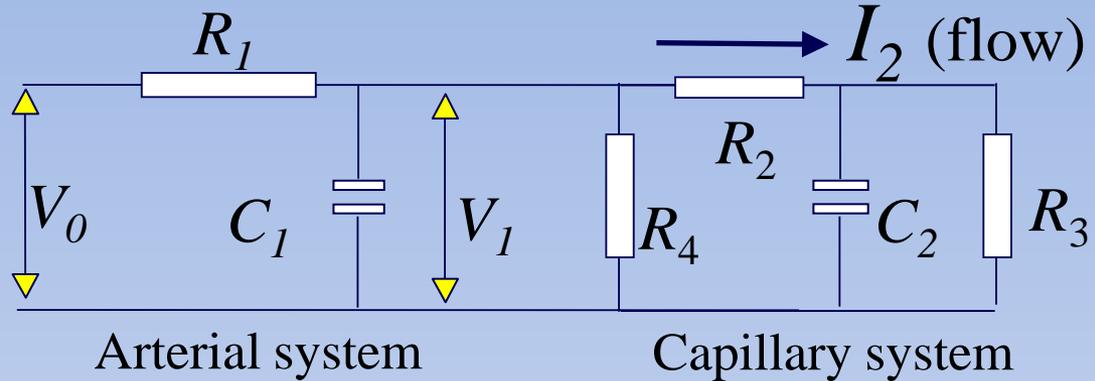
Normally  $R_4 \gg R_2, R_3$ .

Small times:  $C_2$  small impedance  $\rightarrow R_{cap} \approx R_2 \rightarrow$  flow  $I$  large

Large times:  $C_2$  large impedance  $\rightarrow R_{cap} \approx R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow$  flow  $I$  small

# PORH-model

- **Model:**



Jump response after pressure return  
upon cuff release after occlusion:  
(Electrical: sudden voltage  $V_0$ )

$$I_2 = a_0 \left[ 1 - a_1 \exp(-p_1 t) - (1 - a_1) \exp(-p_2 t) \right]$$

with  $a_0, a_1, p_1, p_2 = f(R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4, C_1, C_2)$

NB. Two exponentials, both decreasing in time.

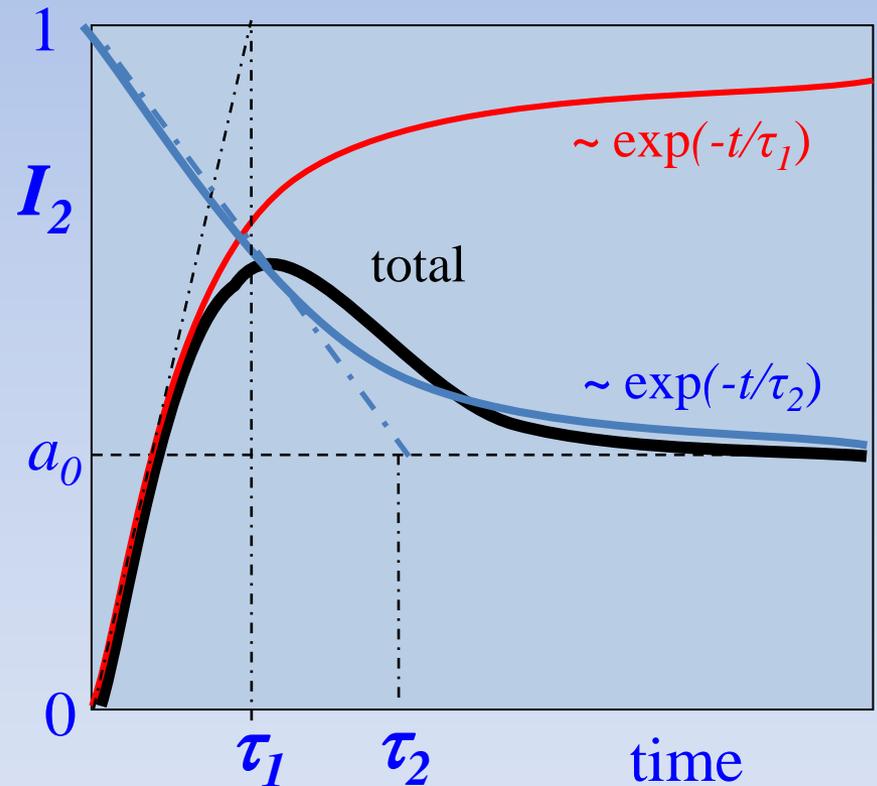
# PORH-model

$$I_2 = a_0 \left[ 1 - a_1 \exp(-p_1 t) - (1 - a_1) \exp(-p_2 t) \right]$$

- at time  $t = 0$ :  
 $I_2 = a_0 [1 - a_1 - (1 - a_1)] = 0$
- at time  $t \rightarrow \infty$ :  
 $I_2 \rightarrow a_0 [1 - 0 - 0] = a_0$

With  $p_1 = 1/\tau_1$  and  $p_2 = 1/\tau_2$  :

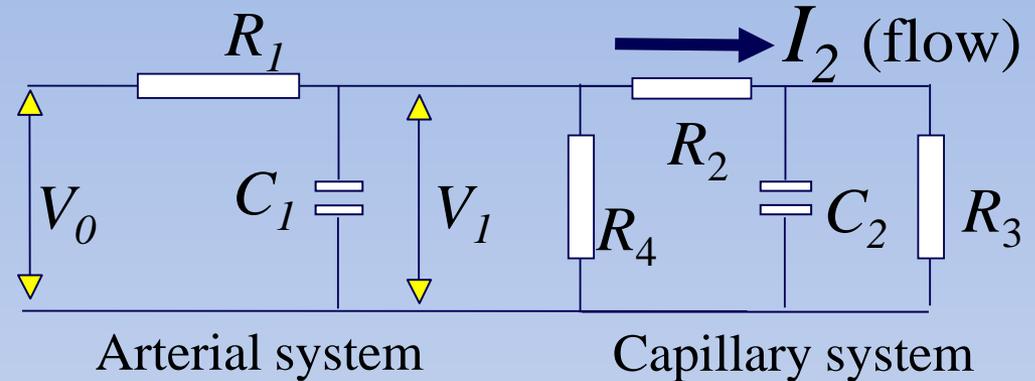
- $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  : characteristic times
- If  $\tau_1 < \tau_2$  : see figure  $\rightarrow$



# PORH-model

Approximation:

- “Arterial” much faster than “capillary” →
- Two separate submodels: “arterial” and “capillary”
- $R_4 \rightarrow \infty$

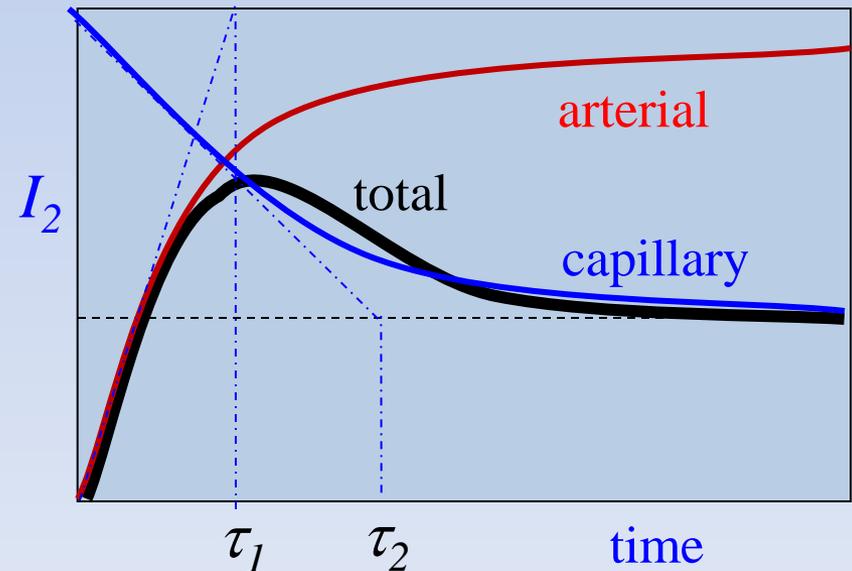


$$V_1 = V_0 \left(1 - e^{-t/\tau_1}\right)$$

$$\tau_1 = R_1 C_1$$

$$I_2 = \frac{V_1}{R_2 + R_3} \left(1 + \frac{R_3}{R_2} e^{-t/\tau_2}\right)$$

$$\tau_2 = C_2 \frac{R_2 R_3}{R_2 + R_3}$$

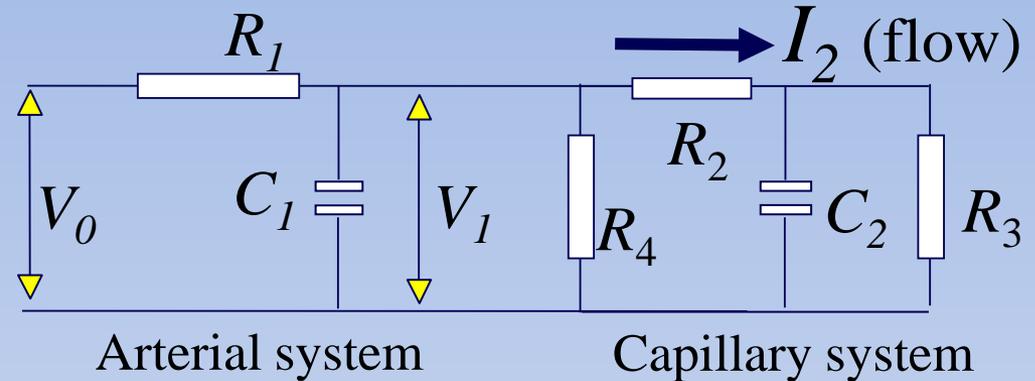


# PORH-model

Approximation:

$$\tau_1 = R_1 C_1$$

$$\tau_2 = C_2 \frac{R_2 R_3}{R_2 + R_3}$$



From flow physics:

$$\tau = RC = \frac{8\mu l}{\pi R_0^4} \cdot \frac{3\pi R_0^3 l}{2Eh} = \frac{12\mu l^2}{EhR_0}$$

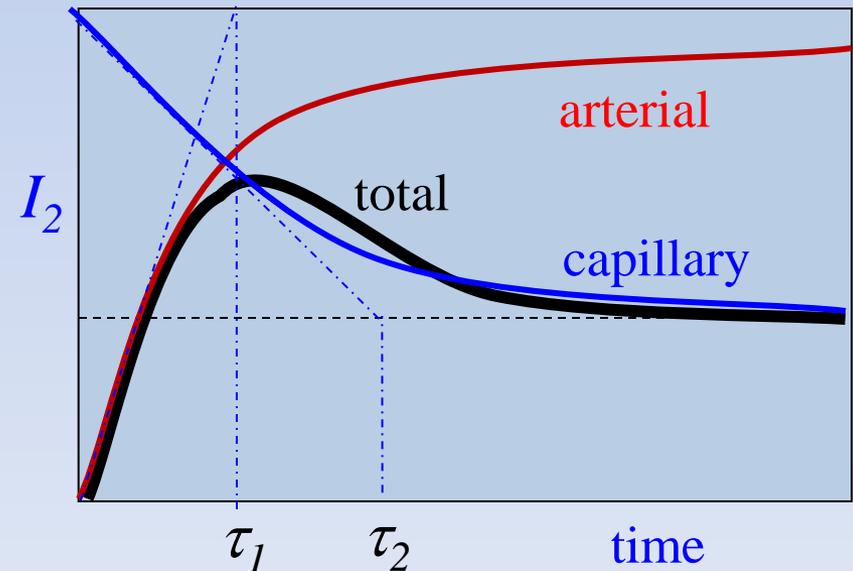
$\tau \uparrow$  if  $\mu \uparrow$  (viscosity)

or  $l^2 \uparrow$  (tube length)

or  $E \downarrow$  (wall elasticity)

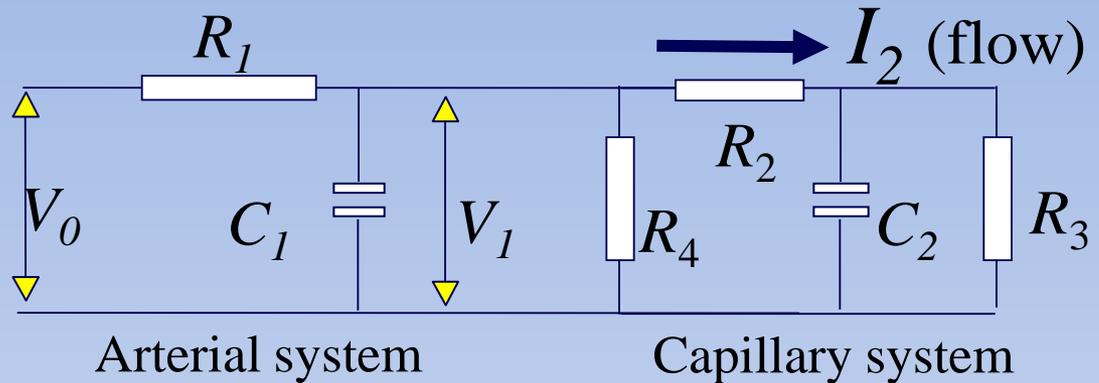
or  $h \downarrow$  (wall thickness)

or  $R_0 \downarrow$  (tube radius)



# PORH-model

- **Model**
- **approximation:**

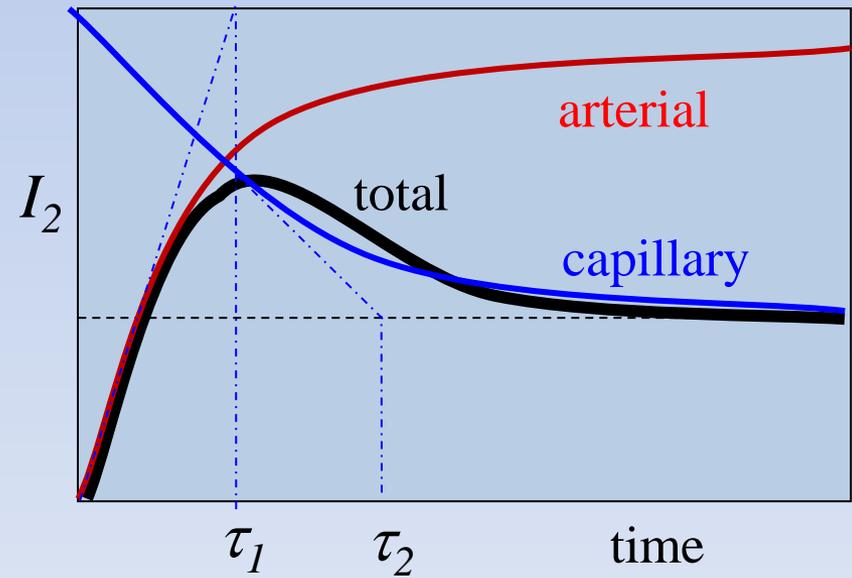


$$V_1 = V_0 \left( 1 - e^{-t/\tau_1} \right)$$

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Even better approx.:

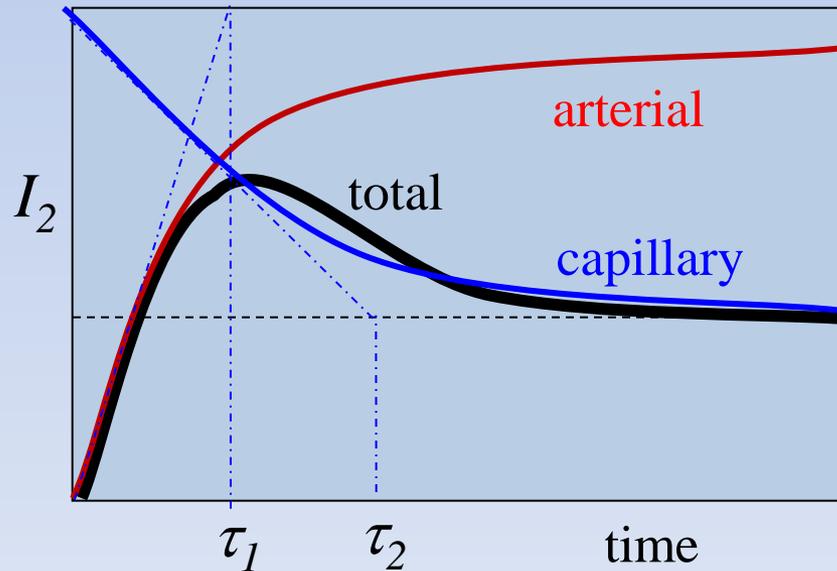
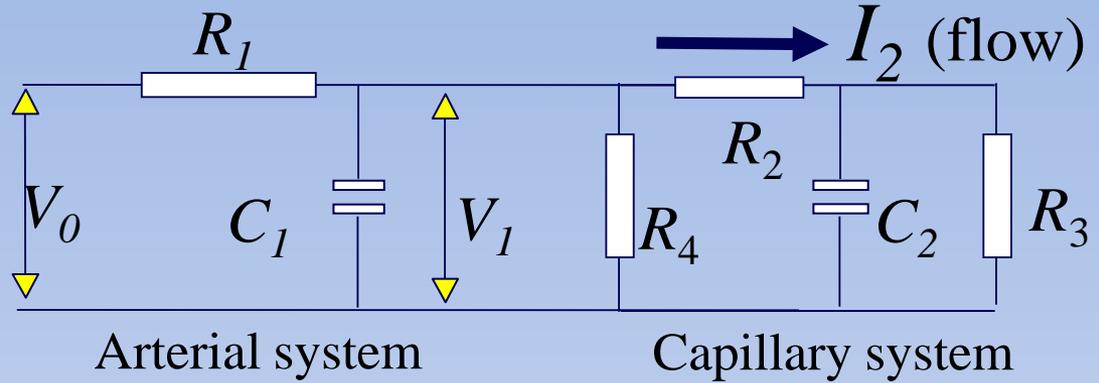
$$I_2 = \frac{V_1}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} \left( 1 + \frac{R_3}{R_2} e^{-t/\tau_2} \right)$$



Question: when can we use the approximation ?

# PORH-model

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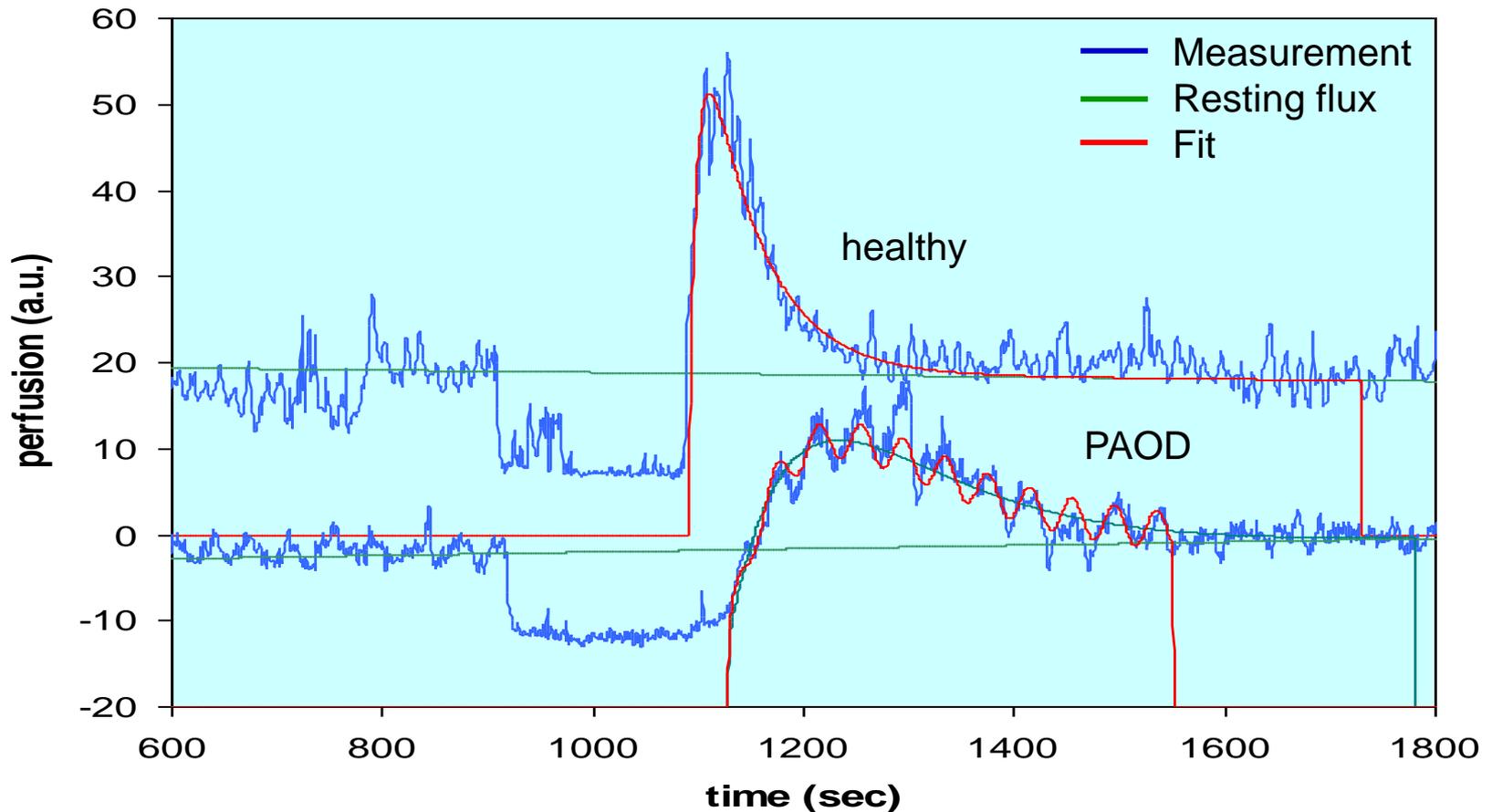


Examples of fitting:  
program LASDOP:

# PORH-model

- Model fitting : two examples:**

Healthy person (upper) and PAOD-patient (lower; down shifted -20)

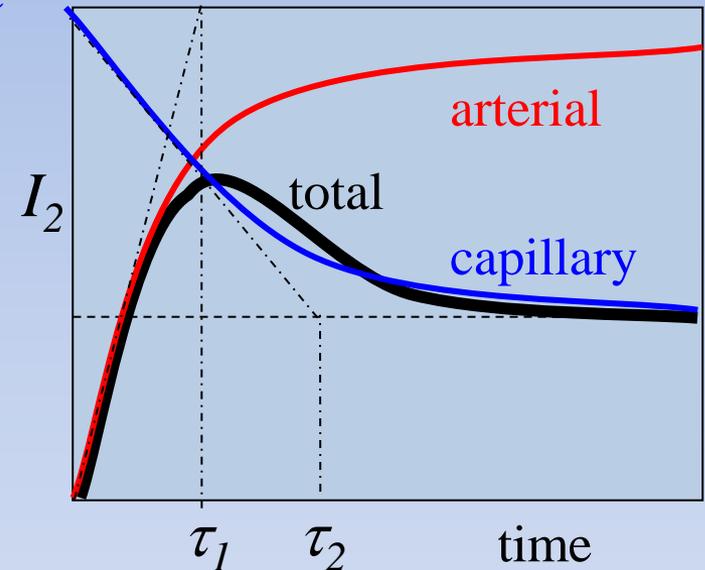


Lower figure includes sine approx. of vasomotion

# PORH-model

- **Model fits:**
- Model parameters for recordings of a typical healthy person and a typical PAOD-patient

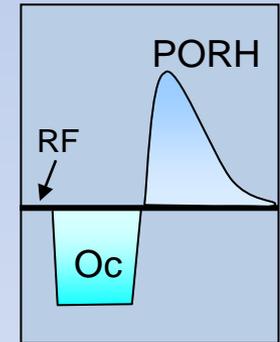
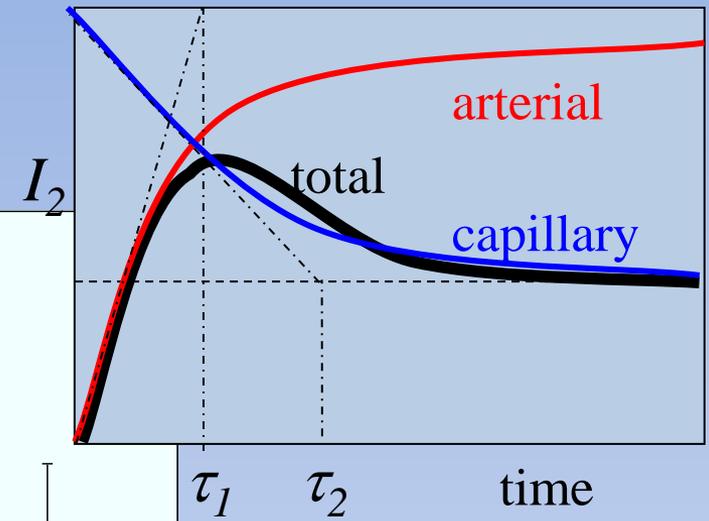
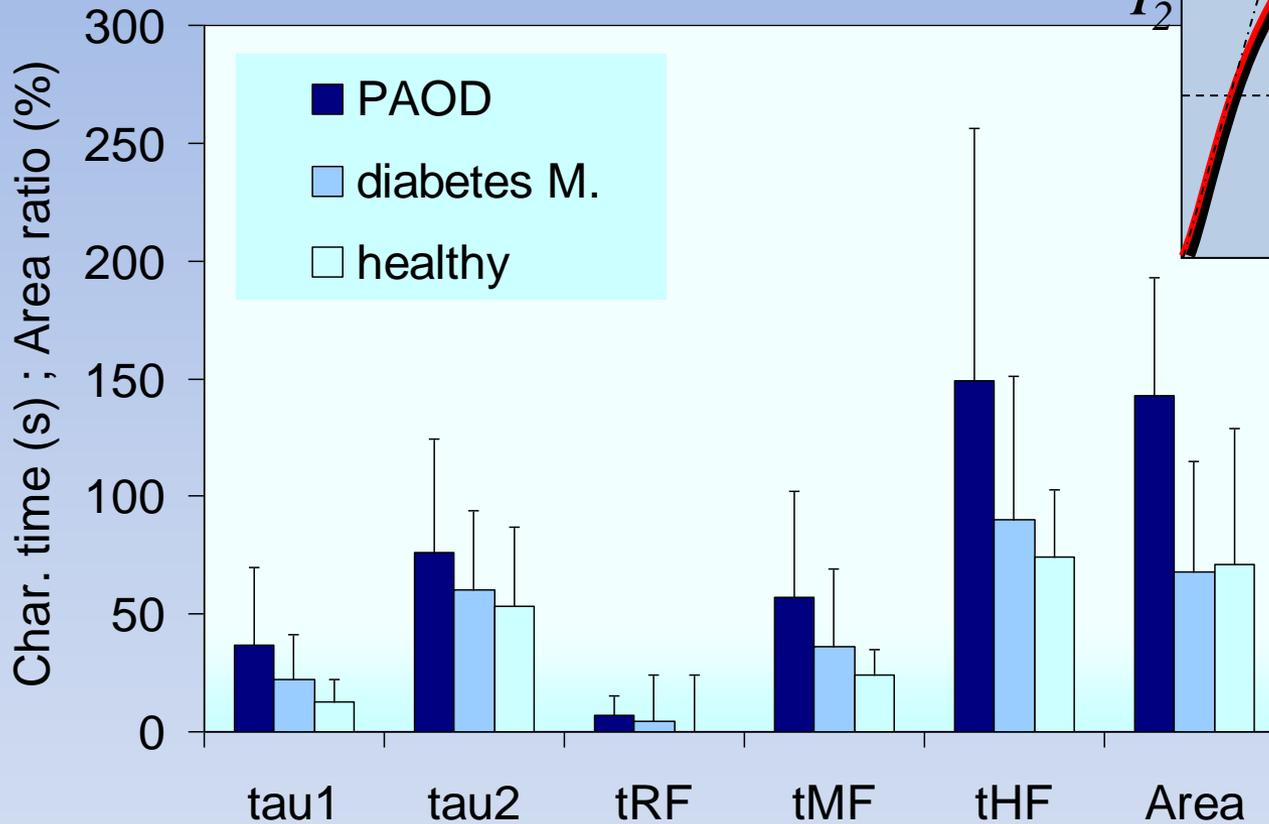
<i>Person</i>	<i>Model</i>	$\tau_1$ (sec)	$\tau_2$ (sec)
Healthy	Exact	4.6	81.2
	Approx	4.7	81.2
PAOD	Exact	80	86
	Approx	314	114



Healthy persons: exact model and approximation coincide;  
and render similar parameter values:  
indication for: “arterial part” faster than “capillary part”.

PAOD-persons: models have very different parameters;  
Both “arterial part” and “capillary part” are slow.

# PORH-model



“Area”: Ratio of areas between measured data and extrapolated resting flux RF, for Reactive Hyperemia period (PORH) vs. Occlusion period (Oc).

Indicates compensation of oxygen debt from Occlusion period in the PORH period.

# PORH-model

- **Model fits:** Signal strengths

Ratio of maximum flux vs. resting flux:  
no significant differences between healthy,  
Diabetes M. and PAOD:

$3.1 \pm 0.6$  for PAOD-group (N=7)

$5.8 \pm 4.8$  for Diabetes M.-group (N=9)

$3.2 \pm 2.7$  for healthy group (N=8)

Overall signal strength:

No significant differences

# PORH-model

- **Conclusions from model fitting:**
  1. Exact model fits all measurements
  2. Approximate model fits healthy group only
  3. Response time:
    - a. “Arterial part”: Healthy group faster than Diabetes-M.-group and much faster than PAOD-group
    - b. “Capillary part”:  $\approx$  similar response time for all
  4. Signal strengths (resting flux and maximum flux) :  
no significant differences between groups
  5. Area ratio between (PORH-RF) and (Occl.-RF) signals  
 $< 1$  (aver. 0.6; healthy pers.) and  $> 1$  (aver. 1.5; POAD)  
(Indicates compensation of oxygen debt from occlusion period)

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Laser-Doppler Perfusion Flowmetry

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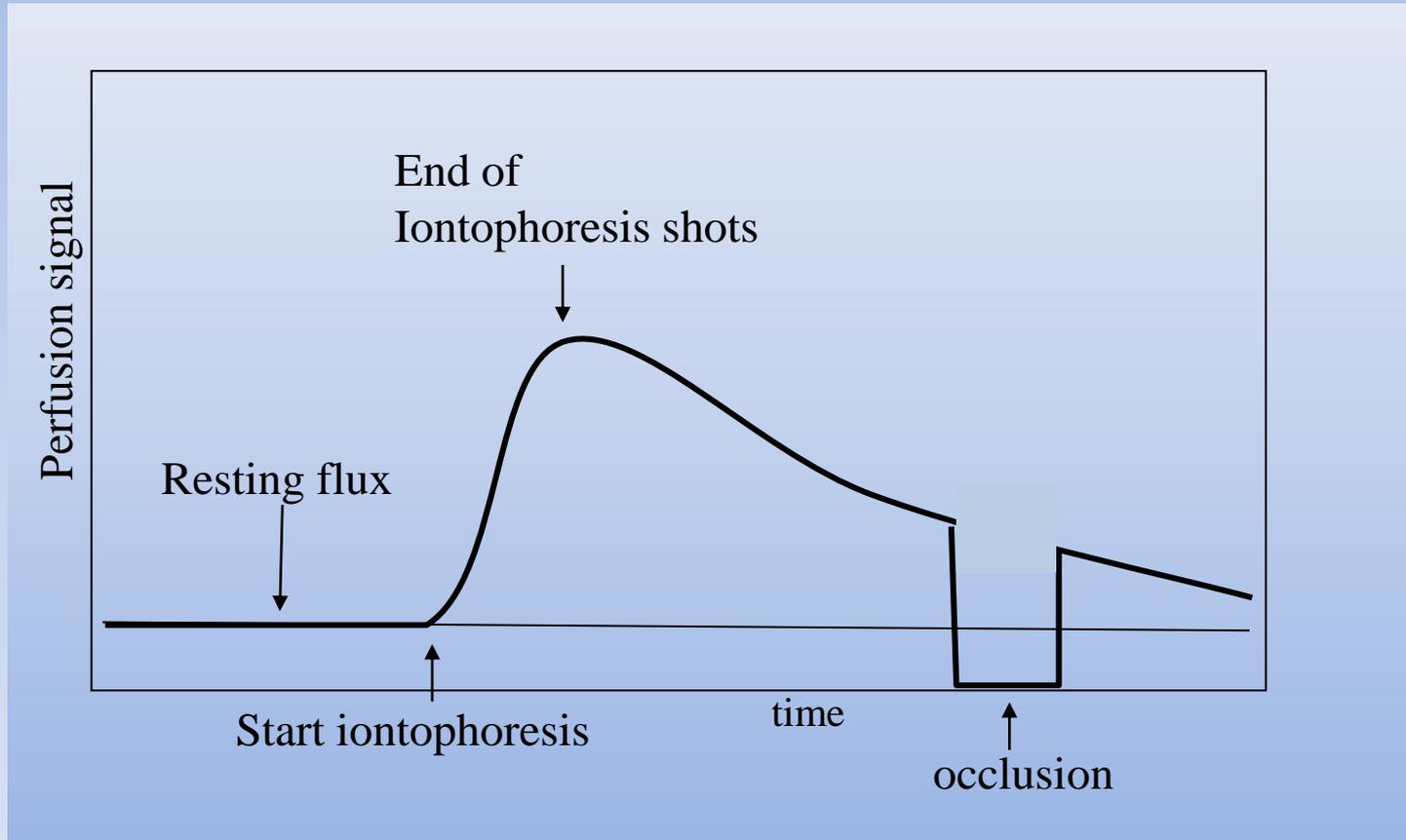
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# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

- Goal of the project:
  - Model to characterise Iontophoresis,
  - As measured with Laser-Doppler blood perfusion flowmetry in capillaries in extremities,
  - Application: preeclampsia,
  - Characteristics:
    - 1-dim. Diffusion of concentration
    - Decay term (removal)
    - Saturation with subsequent iontophoretic shots.

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

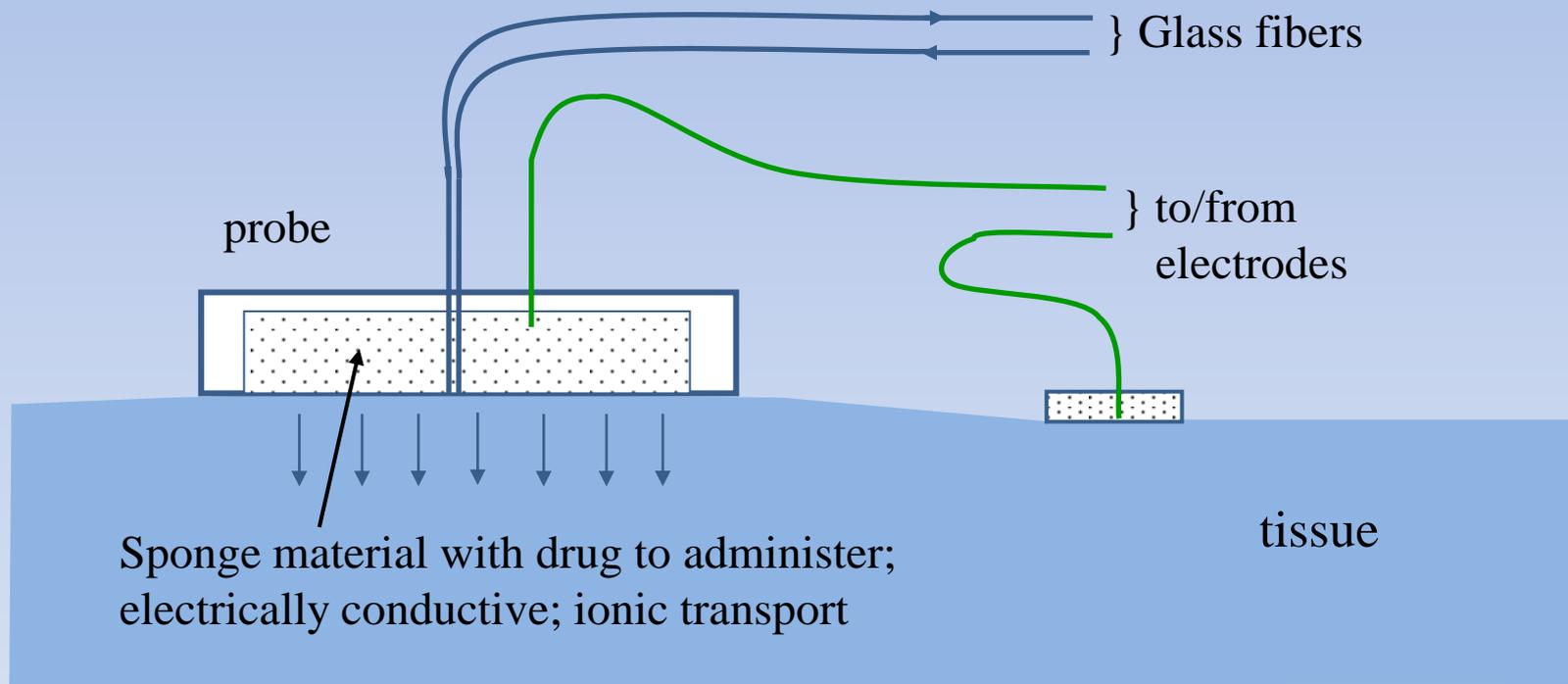
## Typical iontophoresis recording



(“occlusion” performed to measure biological zero level)

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

## Laser-Doppler probe for Iontophoresis



Typical dimensions: probe: diameter 10-20 mm, height 5-10 mm;  
fiber separation 250  $\mu\text{m}$ .

The diffusion can be considered as mono-dimensional (in depth direction).

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

- The model:
  1. 1-Dimensional diffusion
  2. Decay (removal)
  3. Saturation with subsequent shots.

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

- The model:
  1. 1-Dimensional diffusion
  2. Decay
  3. Saturation by subsequent shots.

## 1. 1-Dimensional diffusion

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial z^2}$$

$t$  = time [s]

$z$  = depth [m]

$c$  = concentration [kg/m<sup>3</sup>]

$D$  = diffusion coefficient [m<sup>2</sup>/s]

$$c = f(z, t)$$

Start (boundary condition) for  $c(z, t)$  :  
concentration “pulse” at  $z=0$  and  $t=0$ .

$$c(0,0) = c_0 \quad , \text{ with } \int_0^{\infty} c(z, t) dz = Q \quad \text{for all } t, \text{ including } t = 0.$$

$Q$  ~ total amount of administered molecules

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

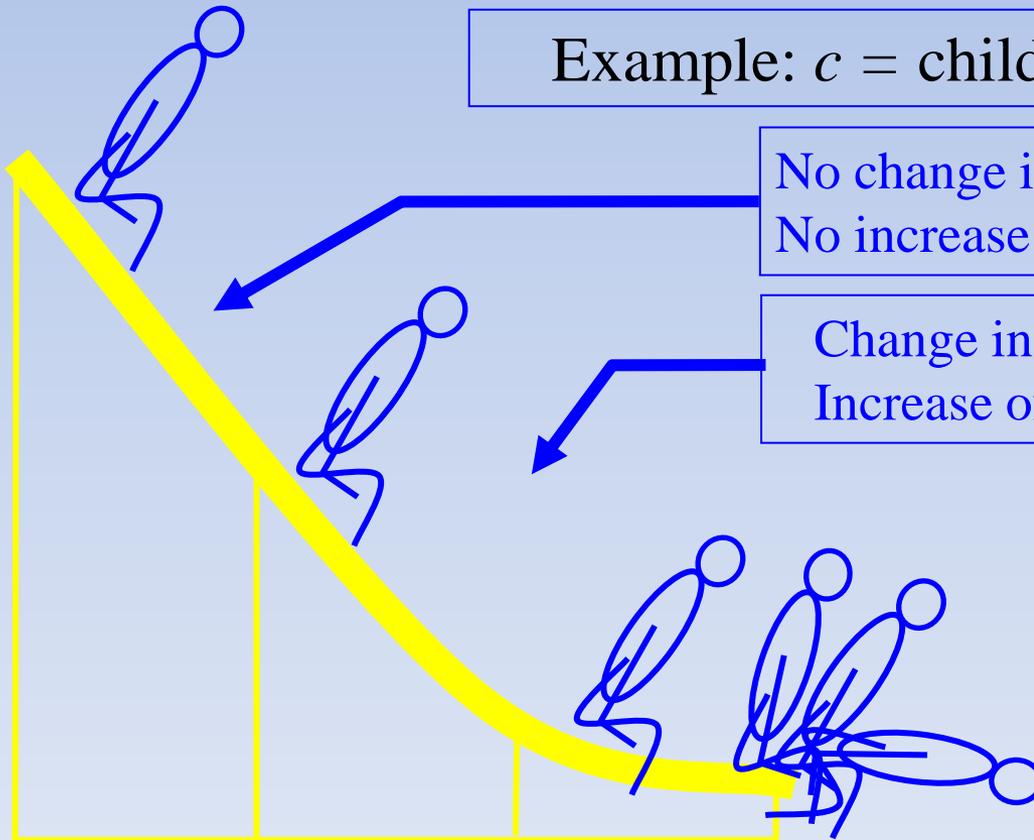
$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial z^2}$$

$\partial c / \partial t$  = increase of  $c$  in time

$\partial c / \partial z$  = increase of  $c$  in space (slope)

$\partial^2 c / \partial z^2 = \partial / \partial z (\partial c / \partial z) =$  change in slope

Example:  $c$  = children on a slide:



No change in slope →  
No increase of # children in time

Change in slope present. →  
Increase of # children in time

$D$  is proportionality  
constant

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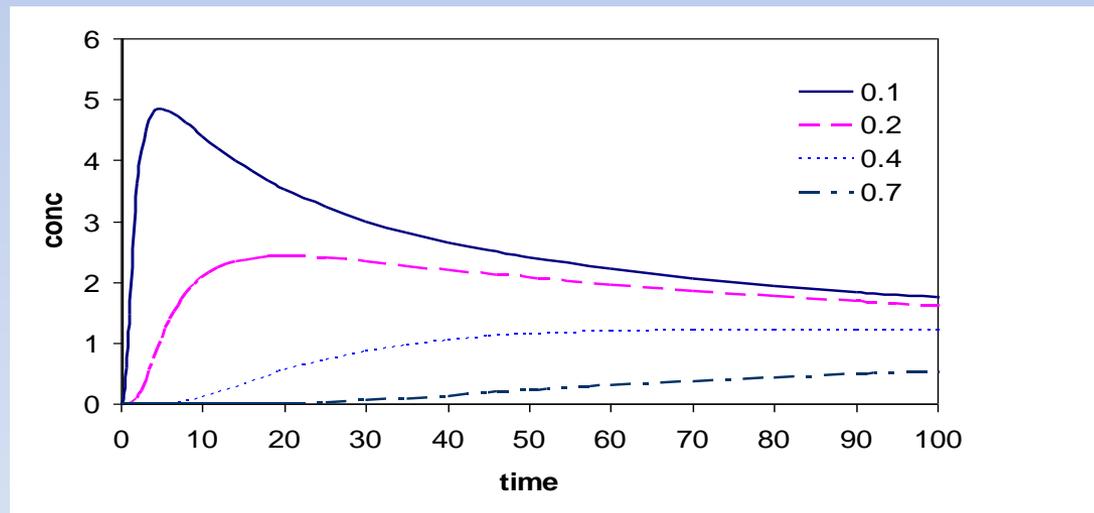
The model:

1. 1-Dimensional diffusion
2. Decay
3. Saturation by subsequent shots.

1-Dimensional diffusion :  
solution

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow c(z, t) = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{\pi Dt}} \exp\left\{-\frac{z^2}{4Dt}\right\}$$



$Q$  = amount of  
injected molecules

Parameter in fig.:  
depth  $z$

Constants in fig.:  
 $D = 0.001$   
 $Q = 1$

Drawback: decrease by diffusion only is too slow

But : decrease by leakage (sideways) will also be present

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

The model:

1. 1-Dimensional diffusion
2. Decay
3. Saturation by subsequent shots.

2. Experiments show:

Decrease in time too slow:

Add decay term:  $-\lambda c$

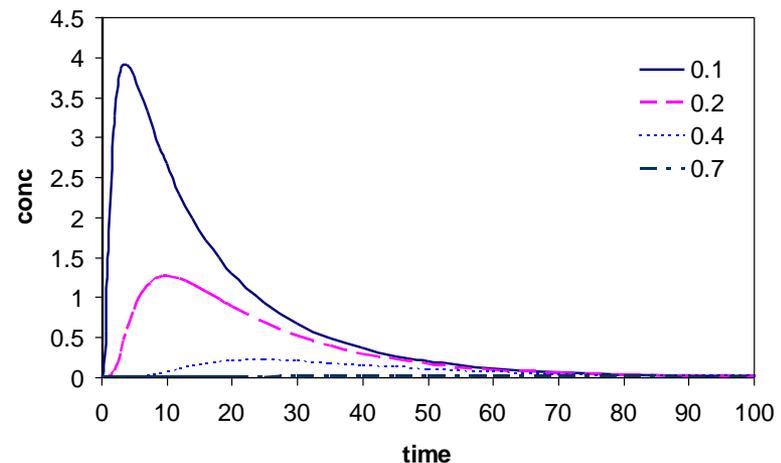
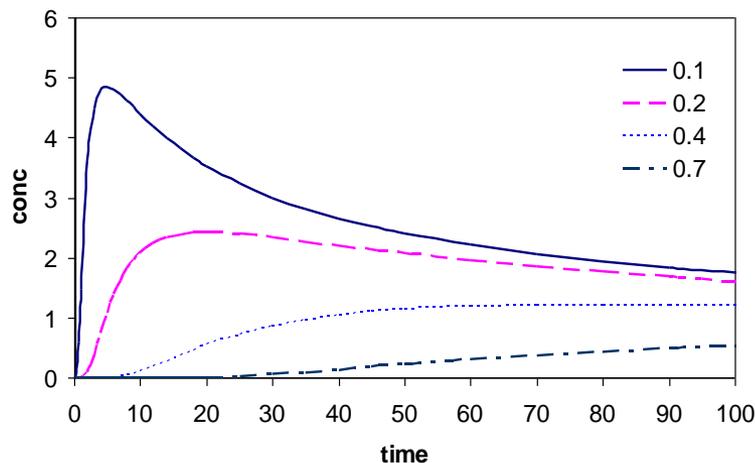
$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial z^2} - \lambda c$$

$$\Rightarrow c(z, t) = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{\pi D t}} \exp\left\{-\frac{z^2}{4 D t} - \lambda t\right\}$$

$$\text{if } D = 0 : c(t) = c(0) \cdot \exp(-\lambda t)$$

Without decay

With decay



# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

The model:

1. 1-Dimensional diffusion
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3. Saturation by subsequent shots.

Assume:

excess (\*) flow  $\Delta F(t) \sim$  concentration

(\*) = above resting flux level.

$$c(z, t) = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{\pi Dt}} \exp\left\{-\frac{z^2}{4Dt} - \lambda t\right\} \Rightarrow \Delta F(t) = \frac{Q_0}{\sqrt{\pi Dt}} \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{4Dt} - \lambda t\right)$$

Assume:  $N$  shots with interval  $\Delta t$

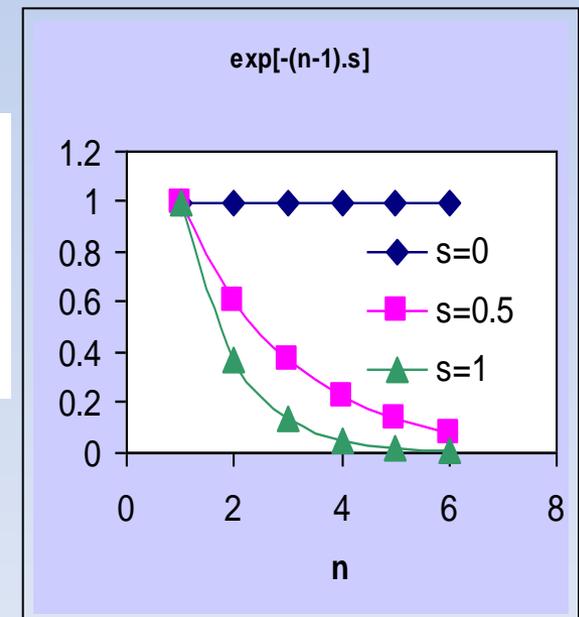
$$\Delta F(t) = \sum_{n=1}^N \exp[-(n-1)s] \frac{Q_0}{\sqrt{\pi Dt_n}} \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{4Dt_n} - \lambda t_n\right)$$

$$t_n = t - (n-1)\Delta t$$

$s$  = shot saturation constant;

if  $s = 0$ : all shots contribute equally (exp=1)

if  $s \gg 1$ : only first shot contributes (n=1 only)



# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

The model:

1. 1-Dimensional diffusion
2. Decay
3. Saturation by subsequent shots.

Final model:

$$\Delta F(t) = \sum_{n=1}^N \exp[-(n-1)s] \frac{Q_0}{\sqrt{\pi D t_n}} \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{4D t_n} - \lambda t_n\right)$$

$$t_n = t - (n-1)\Delta t$$

Notation in program:

$$\Delta F = \sum_{n=1}^N \exp[-(n-1)s] \frac{C}{\sqrt{t_n}} \exp\left(-\frac{\tau_1}{t_n} - \frac{t_n}{\tau_2}\right);$$

$$C \sim \frac{Q_0}{\sqrt{\pi D}}; \tau_1 = \frac{z^2}{4D}; \tau_2 = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$\tau_1$  = diffusion time constant

$\tau_2$  = decay time constant

(both: if larger, then process slower)

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

## Experiments: (by J. Blaauw)

- Periflux 4000 laser Doppler system (Perimed),
- Periflux tissue heater set to 31°C (PF4005, Peritemp),
- Perfusion probe: Laser beam (wavelength 780 nm),
- Iontophoresis probe (PF481-2, Perimed, Sweden)  
containing a thermostatic probeholder,
- Iontophoresis controller (PeriIont 382, Perimed),
- Position: dorsal side of middle phalanx of third finger,
- Subjects sitting, forearms on soft pillow at heart level,
- Temperature-controlled room ( $T=23.4 \pm 0,5^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

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Laser-Doppler perfusion monitor:

measures 0th and 1st moment of power spectrum of Doppler signal

$$M_n = \int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} \omega^n \cdot S(\omega) \cdot d\omega \quad ; \quad n = 0,1$$

$M_0$  ~ concentration of moving (red) blood cells

$M_1$  ~ perfusion flux (flow)

$M_1 / M_0$  ~ averaged velocity of blood cells

Practical limits:  $\omega_1 = 20$  Hz ;  $\omega_2 = 12$  kHz

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

## Experiments:

### Administered drugs:

1. ACh: acetylcholine
2. SNP: sodium nitroprusside

Expected: SNP has dilatation effect on vessels and capillaries; this will lead to a higher perfusion.

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Subjects for experiments, using in testing the model:

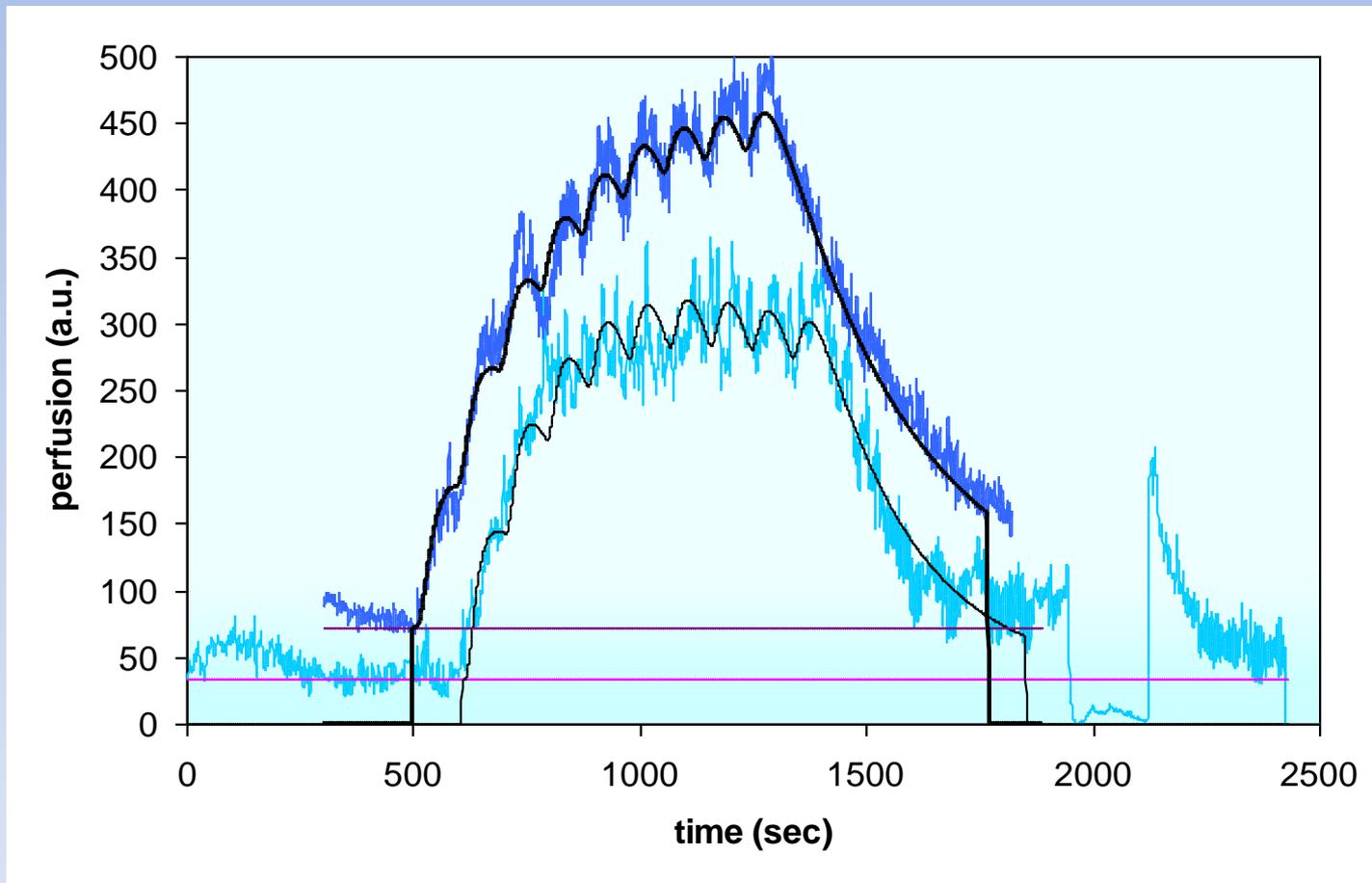
	code	ACh	SNP
<b>Subjects:</b> - Pre-eclampsia patients (Post partum) - Controls (healthy) (Post partum)	PPP PPC	N=22 18	N=21 20
<b>Experimental settings:</b> • Resting flow measurement, duration (s) <sup>(1)</sup> • Shot duration (s) • Current (mA), anodal (A) or cathodal (C) • Nr. of shots • Shot interval (s)		600 20 0.1 A 7 60	600 20 0.2 C 9 90

<sup>(1)</sup>: in some cases 100 or 200 s

See LASDOP program

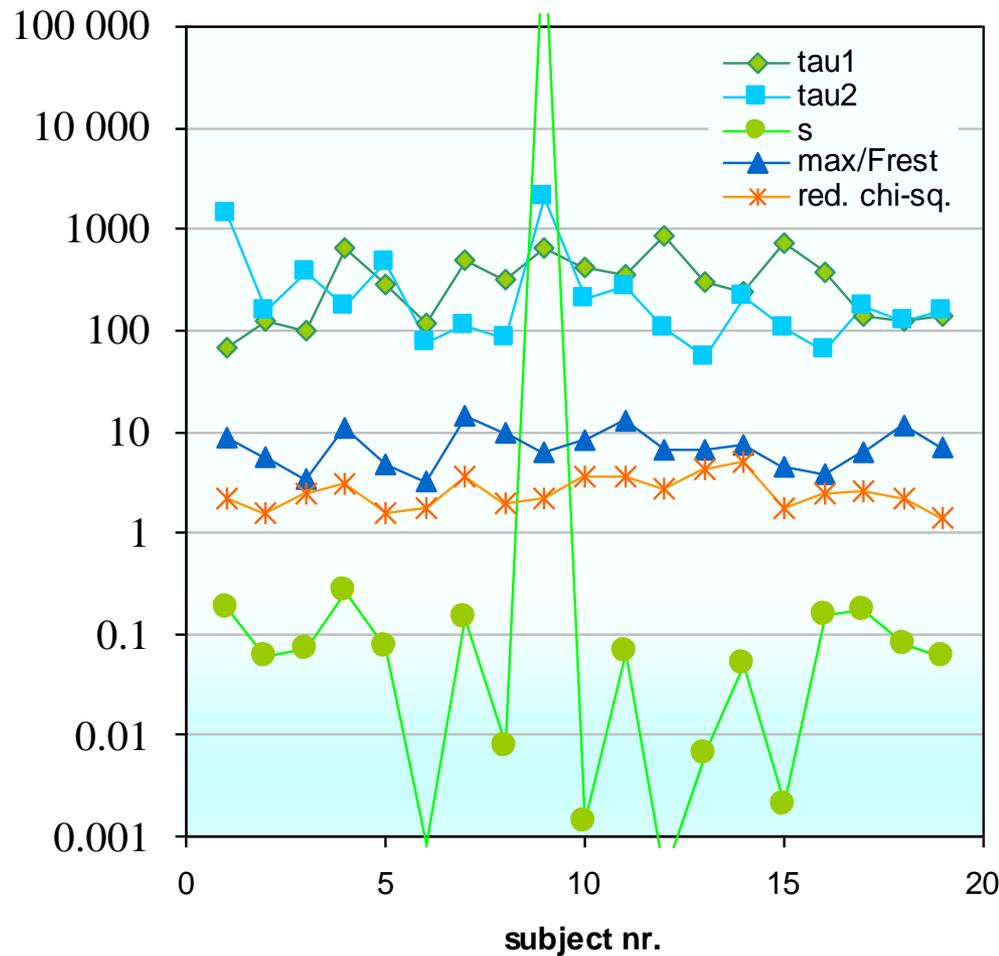
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Fit results (2 Pre-eclampsia patients; SNP-administration):  
9 shots; 90 sec. apart.



Parameters:  $\chi_{2red} = 1.15$ ;  $\tau 1 = 76 \pm 10$  s ;  $\tau 2 = 408 \pm 30$  s ;  $s = 0.029 \pm 0.014$   
 $\chi_{2red} = 1.90$ ;  $\tau 1 = 65 \pm 12$  s ;  $\tau 2 = 252 \pm 30$  s ;  $s = 0.048 \pm 0.028$

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis



## Group:

Pre-eclampsia patients;  
Post-partum;  
SNP-administration

## Time constants:

$\tau_1$  : diffusion  
 $\tau_2$  : decay

## Shot saturation constant: $S$

$s = 0$ : all shots contribute;  
 $s \rightarrow \infty$ : first shot only

## Reduced $\chi^2$ :

= 1 for optimum fit.

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

Overall results for post-partum patients (PPP)  
and post-partum controls (PPC)

4 groups: PPC-ACh, PPC-SNP, PPP-ACh, PPP-SNP

Excluded subjects from calculations, due to off-limit values

(  $s \geq 10^6$  or  $\tau_2 \geq 10^5$  s ):

6 of 80 ; max. 3 of 22.

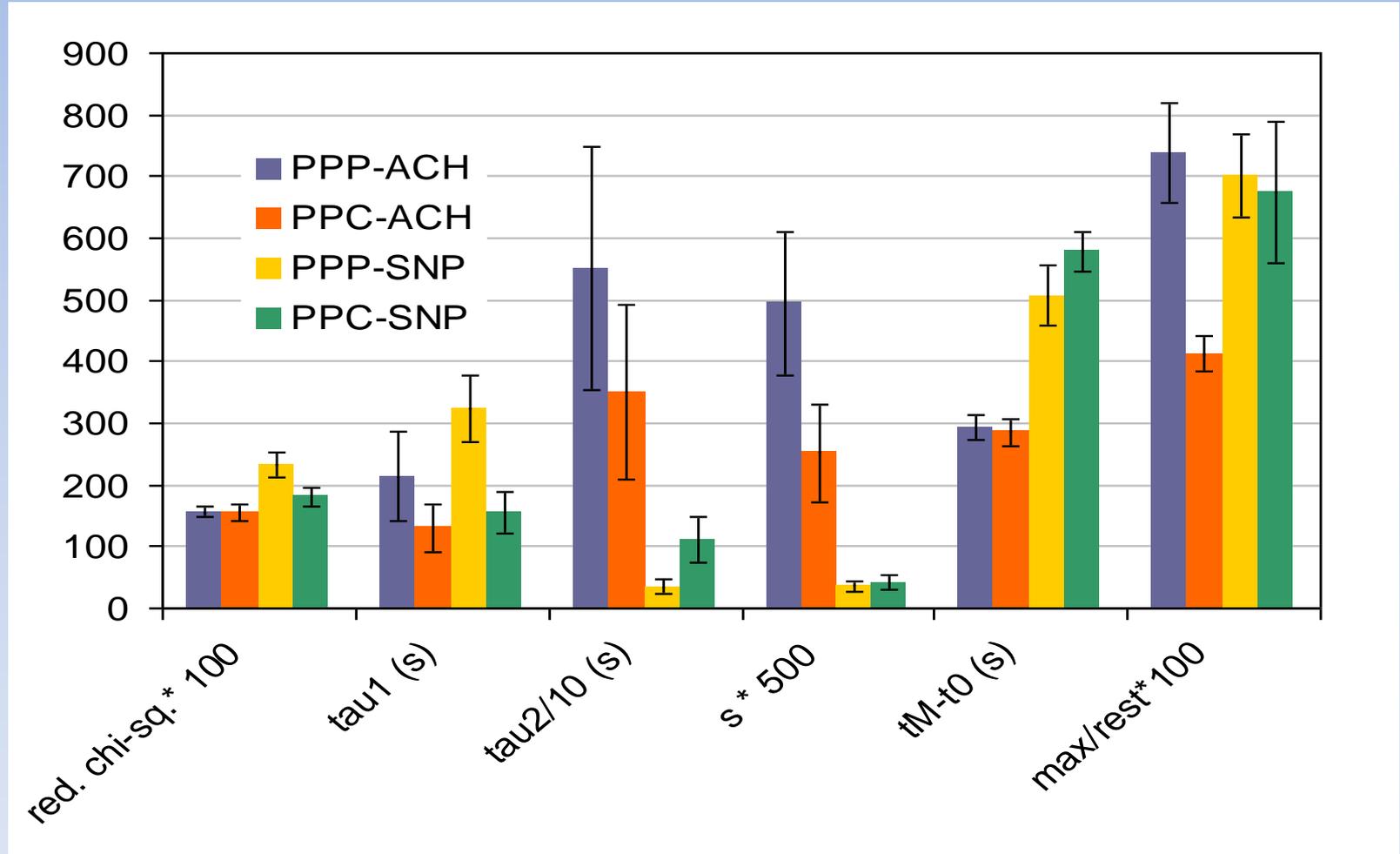
$\tau_2 \rightarrow \infty$  : decay negligible

$s = 0$  : all shots contribute equally

$s \rightarrow \infty$  : first shot contributes only

# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

Overall results for post-partum patients (PPP) and controls (PPC)

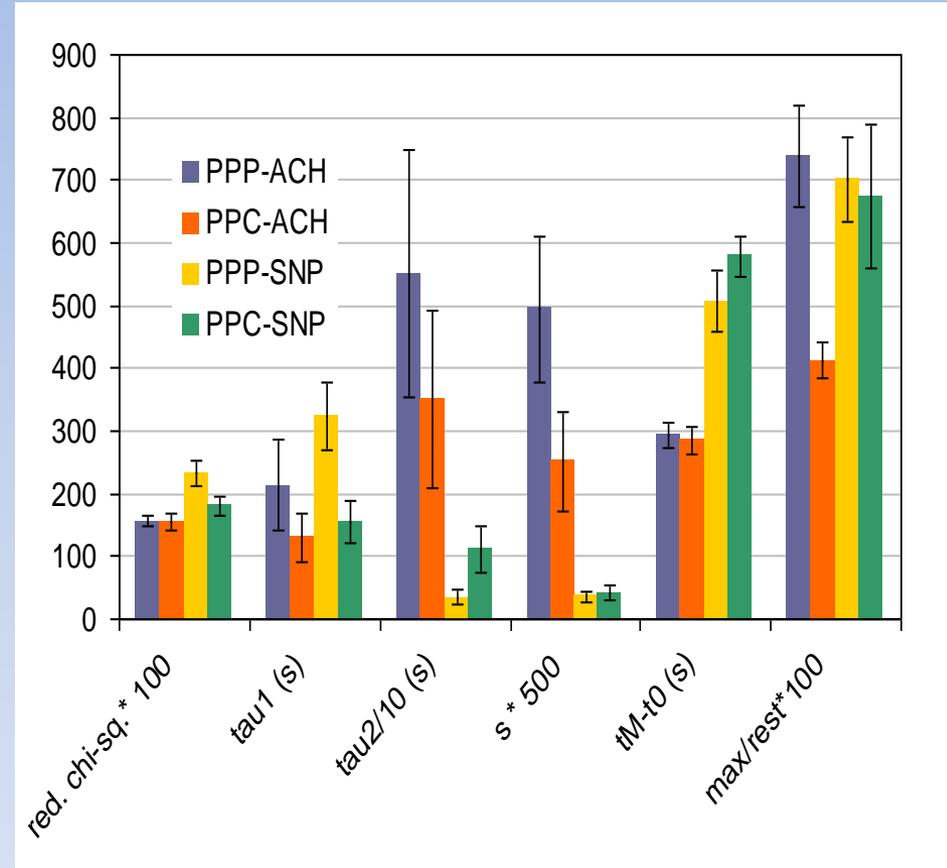


# LD - Diffusion model for Iontophoresis

## Conclusions:

- $\tau_1 \sim 1/D$  : sign. higher in PPP's (ACh and SNP); slower **diffusion**
- $\tau_2 \sim T_{1/2}$  : sign. higher in ACh's (PPP and PPC); slower **decay**
- $s$  : shot saturation constant: sign. higher in ACh's (PPC and PPP); **first shot(s) dominate(s)**
- $t_M$  : sign. higher in SNP's (PPC and PPP); see  $\tau_2$
- max / resting flux : sign lower in PPC-ACh.
- diffusion coefficients (with  $z = 1$  mm resp.  $10 \mu\text{m}$ ):  $\approx 10^4$  resp. 1 x not-electrically sustained values.

PPP = post-partum patients  
 PPC = post-partum controls



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Publications: see website:

[www.demul.net/frits](http://www.demul.net/frits), scroll to “Laser Doppler”.

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