Modelling of cardiac cross-bridge cycling during ischemia

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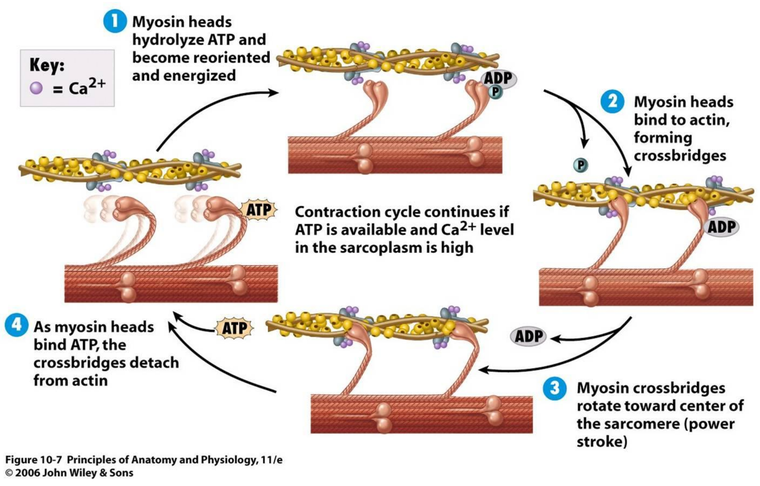
Introduction

In sudden oxygen delivery cut-off, the metabolical changes occurs, which have direct impact on cycle of heart muscle contraction. The concentrations of ATP and creatine-phosphate are quickly decreasing and cummulation of ADP, phospates and protons occurs. The cell metabolism decreases and switches to anaerobic regime. Ions like calcium and sodium are cummulating in cell, which can lead as far as to infarct, the apoptosis.

Our work discusses the contractile cyrcle (crossbridge), affected by metabolites acummulating during oxygen deficiency, the ischemia. Metabolites like phosphates and protons are acummulating during ischemia and are directly interferring with the crossbridge cycle, which manifestates as decrease in myocardial contractile force.

Theory



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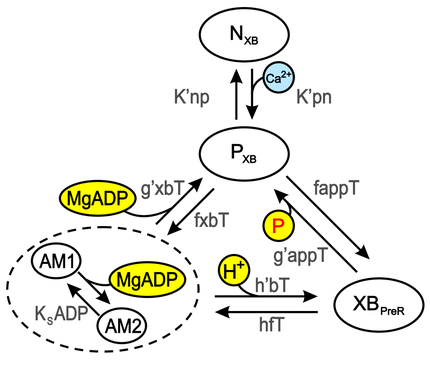
Methods and Implementation

Base model [Tran, 2010], implemented in CellML was exported as Python code. Our model is using the the mean-field approximations implemented as set of ODEs. The numerical analysis was performed using VODE integrator with BDF method from the Python SciPy package. Resulting data were visualised with the ggplot2 plotting system supplied in R programming language distribution.



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Results

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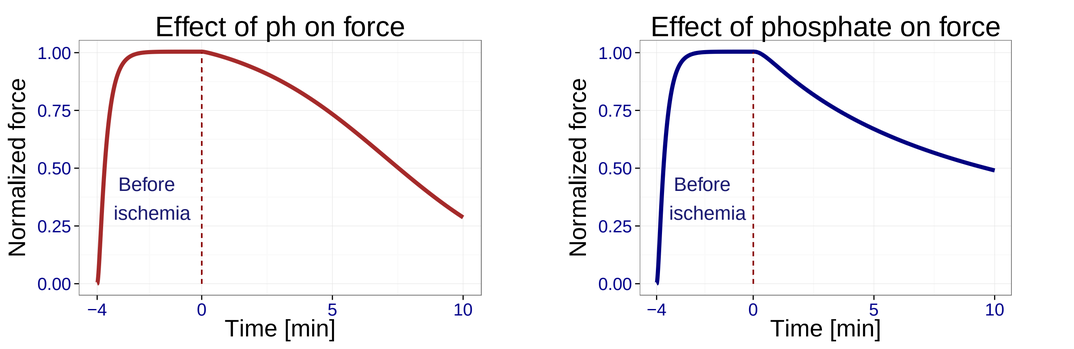

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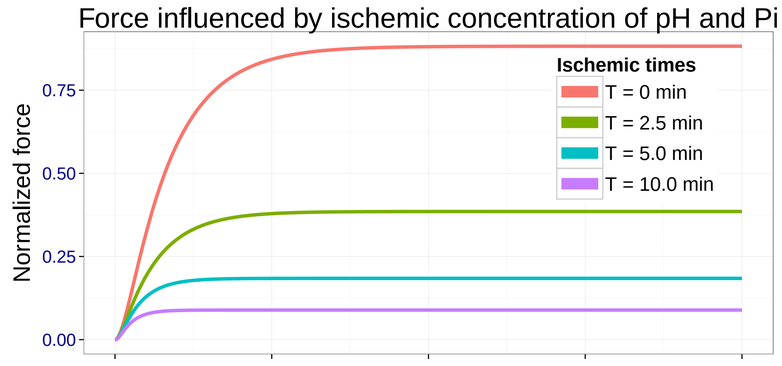

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