

# Cardiovascular System Modeling

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# Motivation

- Heart disease and stroke are two of the three leading causes of death in Canada.
- Every 7 minutes in Canada, someone dies from heart disease or stroke.
- In 2008 cardiovascular disease accounted for 29% of all deaths in Canada (69,703 deaths – or more than 69,500).
- Heart disease and stroke costs the Canadian economy more than \$20.9 billion every year in physician services, hospital costs, lost wages and decreased productivity



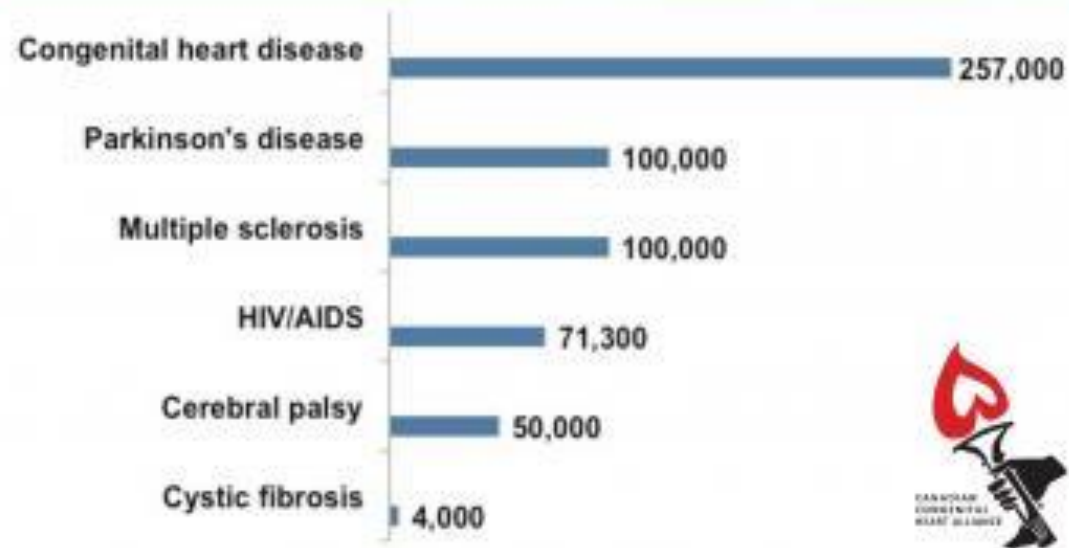
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## CANADIAN POPULATION DISEASE STATISTICS



Sources: Canadian Congenital Heart Alliance, Parkinson Society of Canada, Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, Public Health Agency of Canada, Active Living Alliance, Cystic Fibrosis Canada



The advertisement features a photograph of a young child lying down, appearing to be in a medical setting. To the right of the photo is a large red box with white text. Below the photo is a grey bar with white text. At the bottom of the ad is a white box with red and black text, including social media icons and the 'HEART & STROKE' logo.

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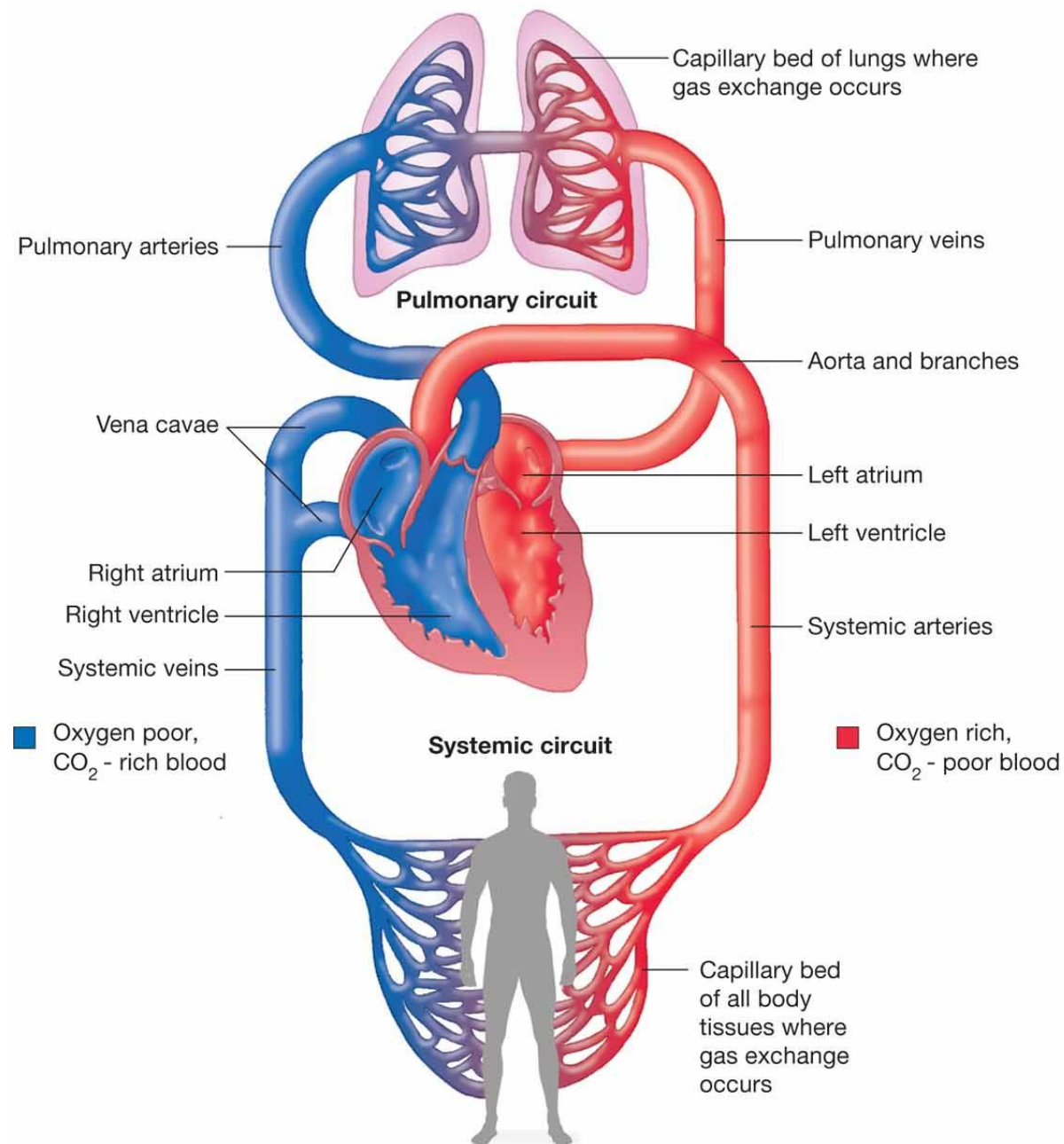


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# Anatomy of the Cardiovascular System

Two paths of circulation:

- Systemic
- Pulmonary



# Anatomy of the Cardiovascular System

Four chambers:

- Left and right atria
- Left and right ventricles

Four heart valves:

- AV (atrioventricular) valves:

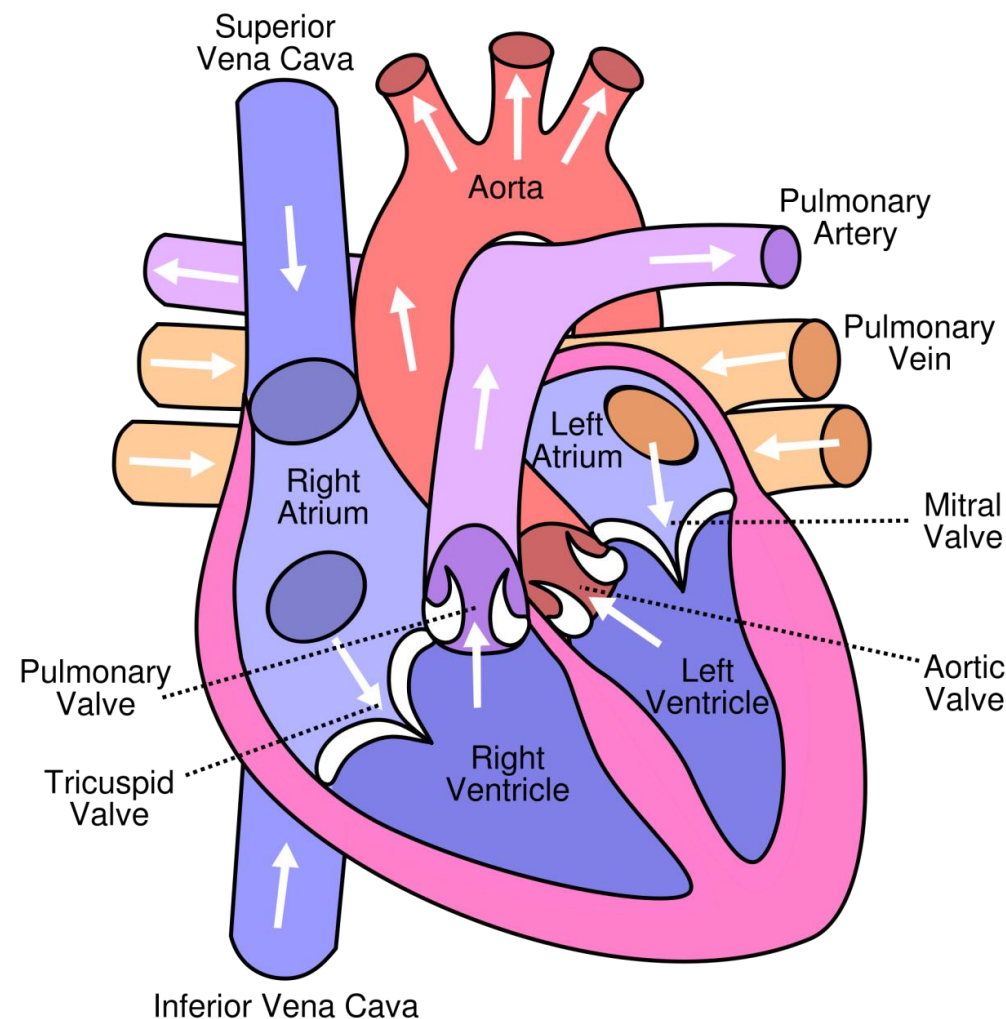
*I. mitral valve – between the left atrium and the left ventricle*

*II. tricuspid valve – between the right atrium and the right ventricle*

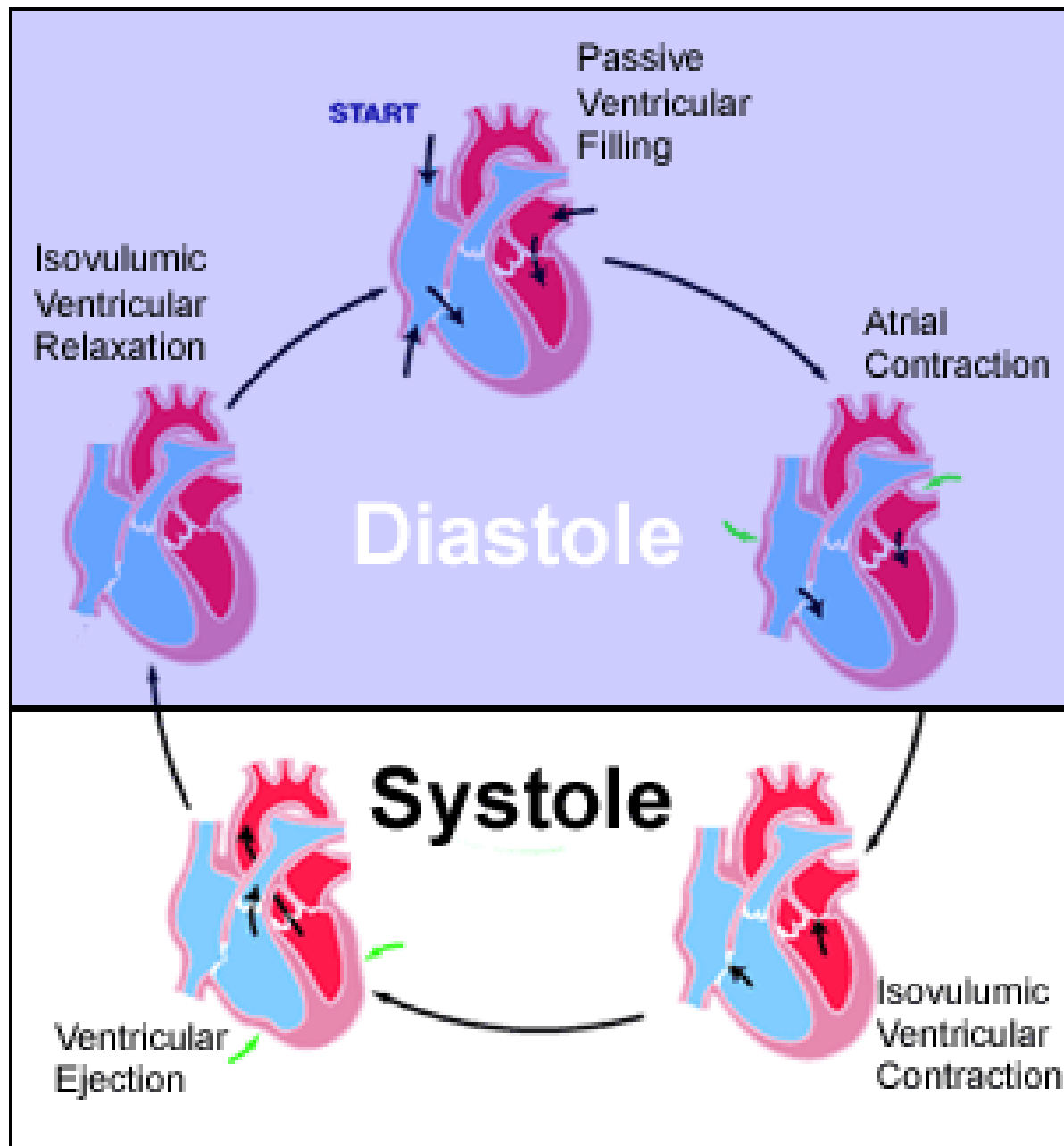
- Semilunar valves:

*I. aortic valve – between left ventricle and aorta*

*II. pulmonic valve – between right ventricle and pulmonary artery*



# Five Stages of Cardiac Cycle



## Systole:

- Isovolumetric ventricular contraction
- Ventricular ejection




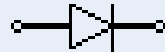
## Diastole:

- Isovolumetric ventricular relaxation
- Passive ventricular filling
- Atrial contraction



# Analogy between Cardiovascular and Electrical Parameters

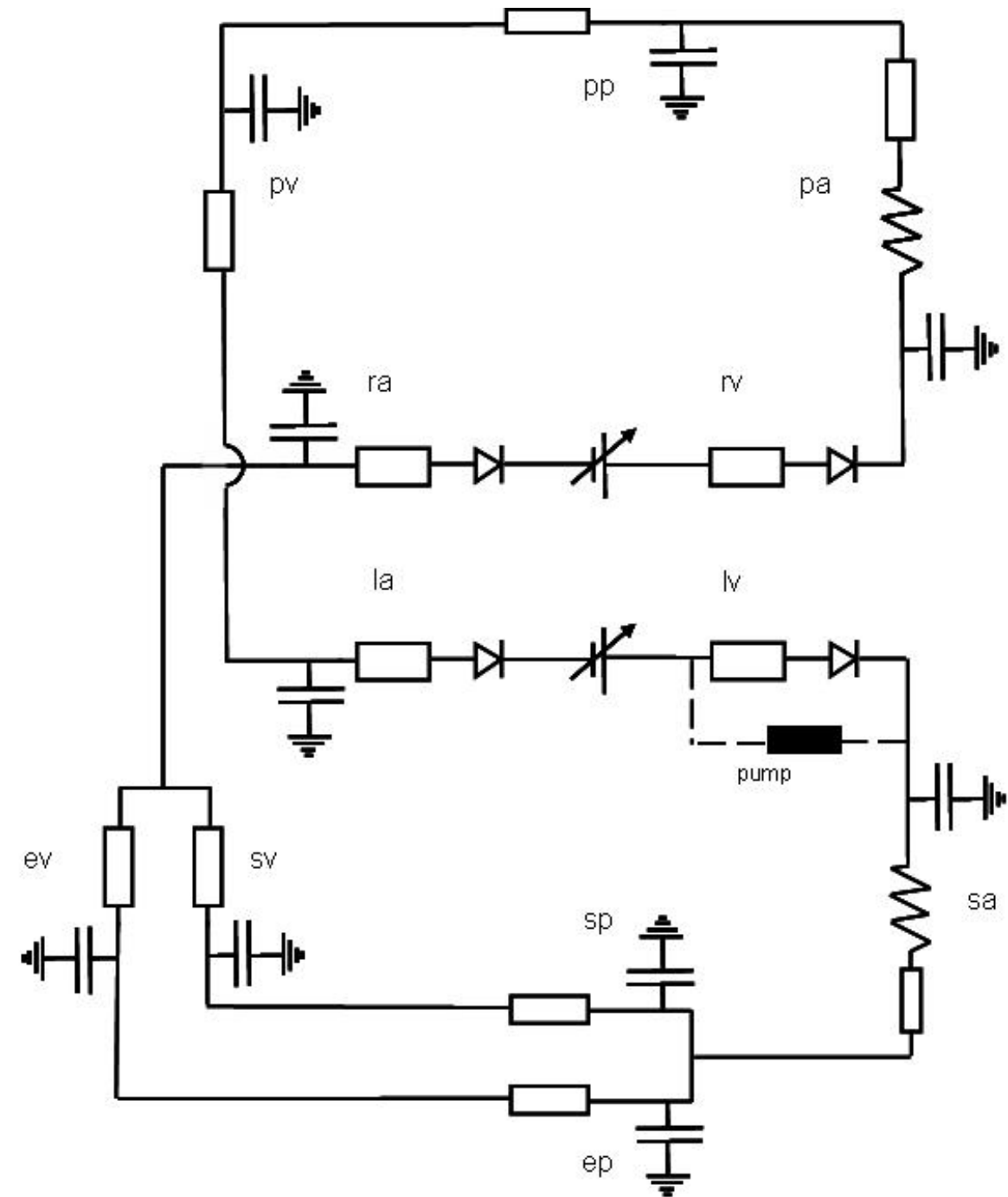
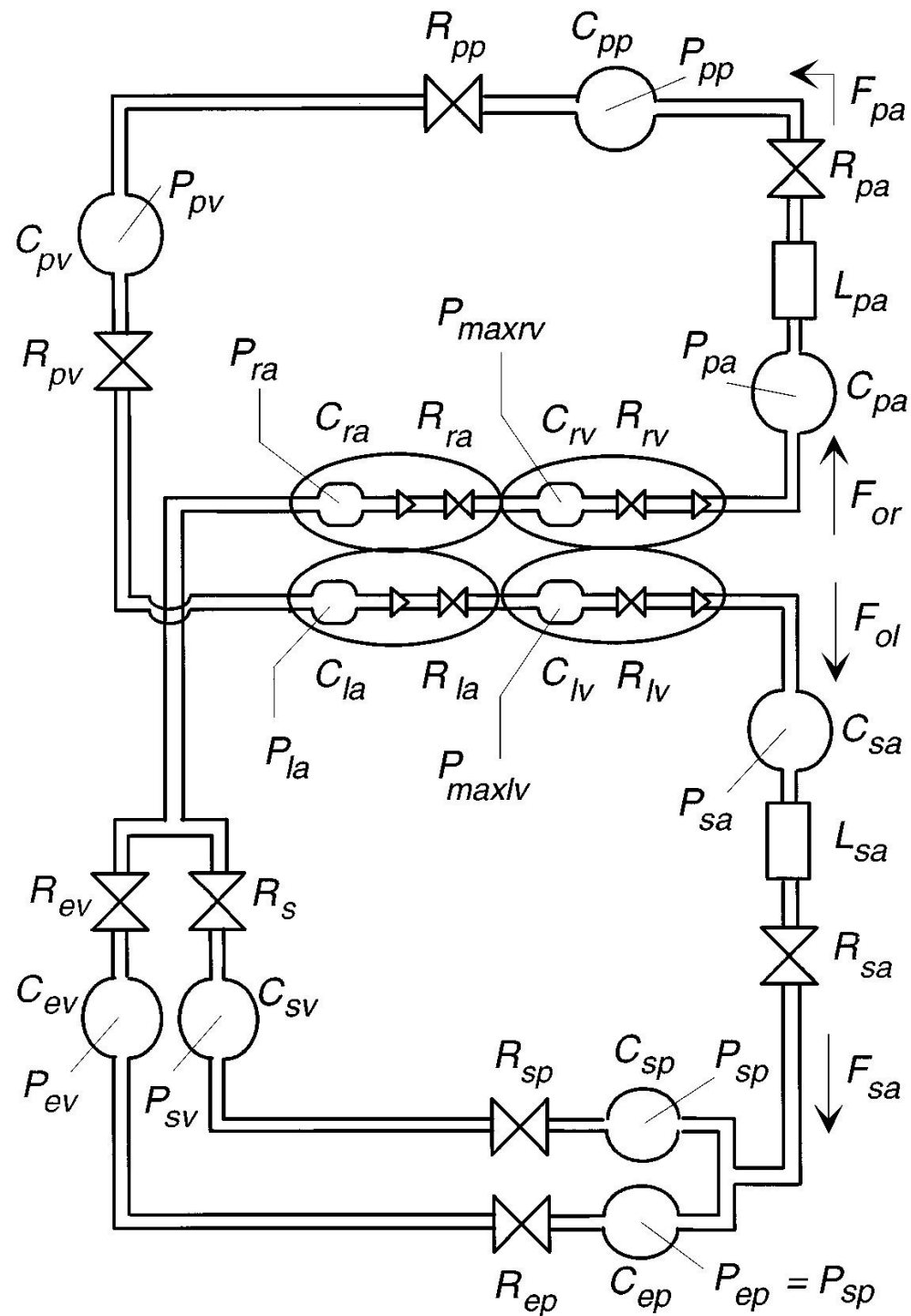
Cardiovascular	Unit	Electrical	Unit
blood volume (V)	mL	electric charge (Q)	C
flow rate (F)	mL/s	current (I)	A
pressure (P)	mmHg	potential (V )	V

Cardiovascular	Relation	Unit	Electrical	Relation	Unit
vessel resistance	$R_c = \Delta P / F$	mmHg • s / mL	resistance 	$R_e = \Delta V / I$	$\Omega$
vessel compliance	$C_c \frac{dP}{dt} = F$	mL / mmHg	capacitance 	$C_e \frac{dV}{dt} = I$	F
blood inertia	$L_c \frac{dF}{dt} = P$	mmHg • mL / s <sup>2</sup>	inductance 	$L_e \frac{dI}{dt} = V$	H
heart valve	$F = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \Delta P < 0 \\ \frac{P}{R_c} & \text{if } \Delta P \geq 0 \end{cases}$	mL / s	diode 	$I = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \Delta V < 0 \\ \frac{V}{R_e} & \text{if } \Delta V \geq 0 \end{cases}$	A





# System Modeling





# State Equations Governing the Ventricular Blood Flow

$$\frac{dV_{lv}}{dt} = F_{i,l} - F_{o,l} \quad (6)$$

$$F_{i,l} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } P_{la} < P_{lv} \\ \frac{P_{la} - P_{lv}}{R_{la}} & \text{if } P_{la} \geq P_{lv} \end{cases}$$

$$R_{lv} = k_{r,lv} P_{max,lv} \quad (8.a)$$

$$P_{lv} = P_{sa} \quad (8.b)$$

$$F_{o,l} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } P_{max,lv} < P_{sa} \\ \frac{P_{max,lv} - P_{sa}}{R_{lv}} & \text{if } P_{max,lv} \geq P_{sa} \end{cases}$$

$$P_{max,lv}(t) = E_n(t)E_{max,lv}(V_{lv} - V_{u,lv}) + [1 - E_n(t)]P_{0,lv}(\exp(k_{E,lv}V_{lv}) - 1) \quad (8.c)$$

$$\frac{dV_{rv}}{dt} = F_{i,r} - F_{o,r} \quad (7)$$

$$F_{i,r} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } P_{ra} < P_{rv} \\ \frac{P_{ra} - P_{rv}}{R_{ra}} & \text{if } P_{ra} \geq P_{rv} \end{cases}$$

$$R_{rv} = k_{r,rv} P_{max,rv} \quad (9.a)$$

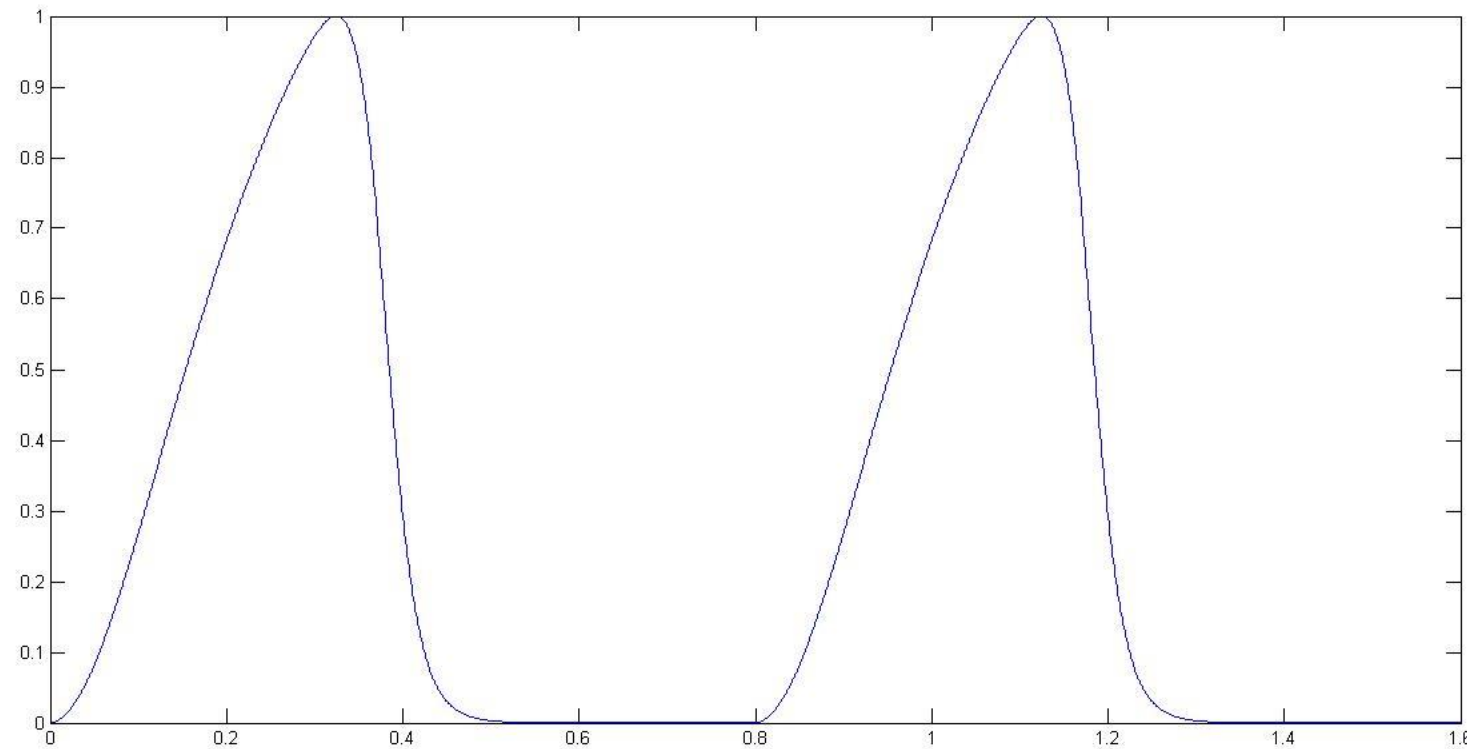
$$P_{rv} = P_{pa} \quad (9.b)$$

$$F_{o,r} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } P_{max,rv} < P_{pa} \\ \frac{P_{max,rv} - P_{pa}}{R_{rv}} & \text{if } P_{max,rv} \geq P_{pa} \end{cases}$$

$$P_{max,rv}(t) = E_n(t)E_{max,rv}(V_{rv} - V_{u,rv}) + [1 - E_n(t)]P_{0,rv}(\exp(k_{E,rv}V_{rv}) - 1) \quad (9.c)$$



# Ventricular Elastance Function



*Heart Rate = 75 beats/s*

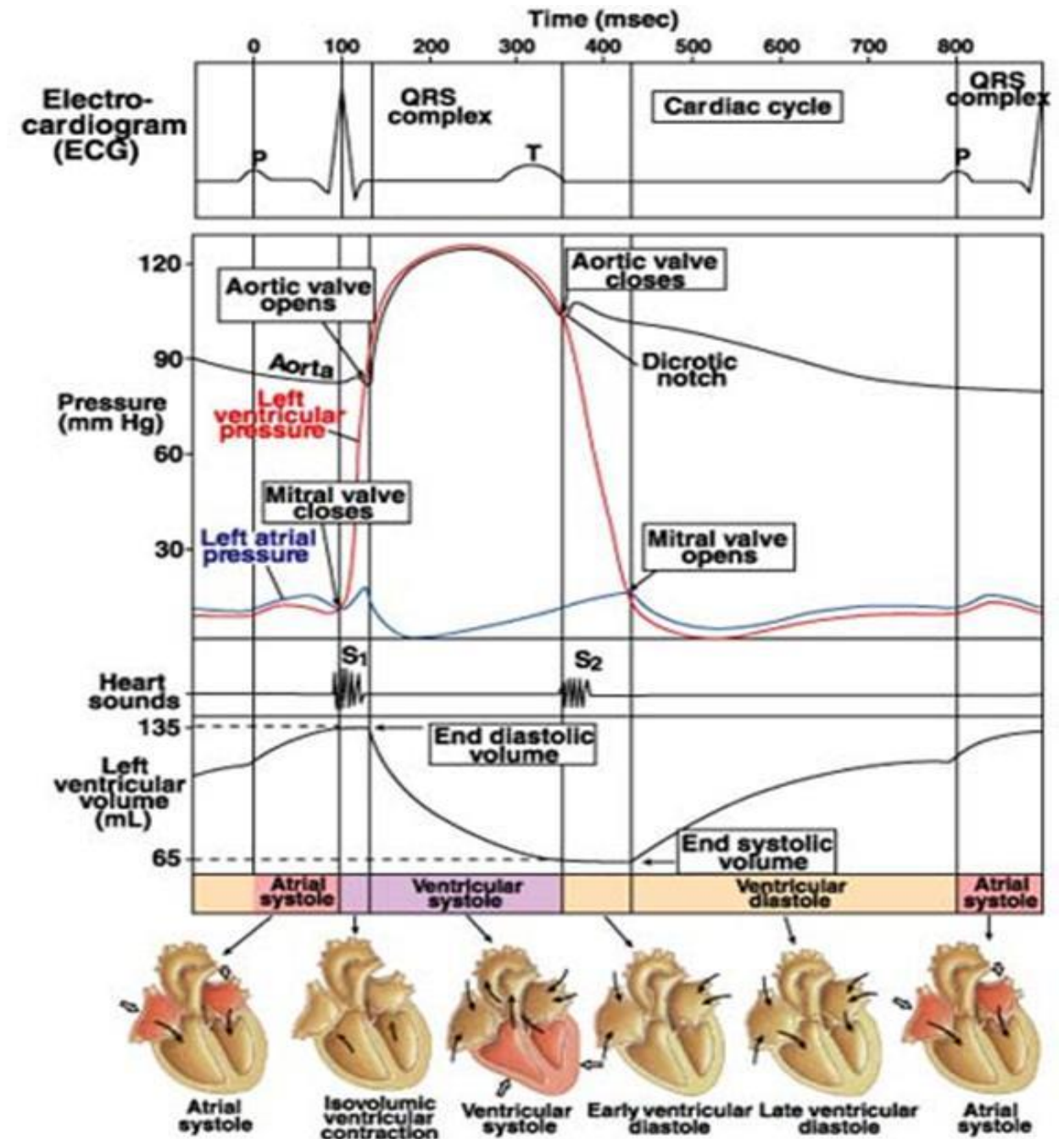
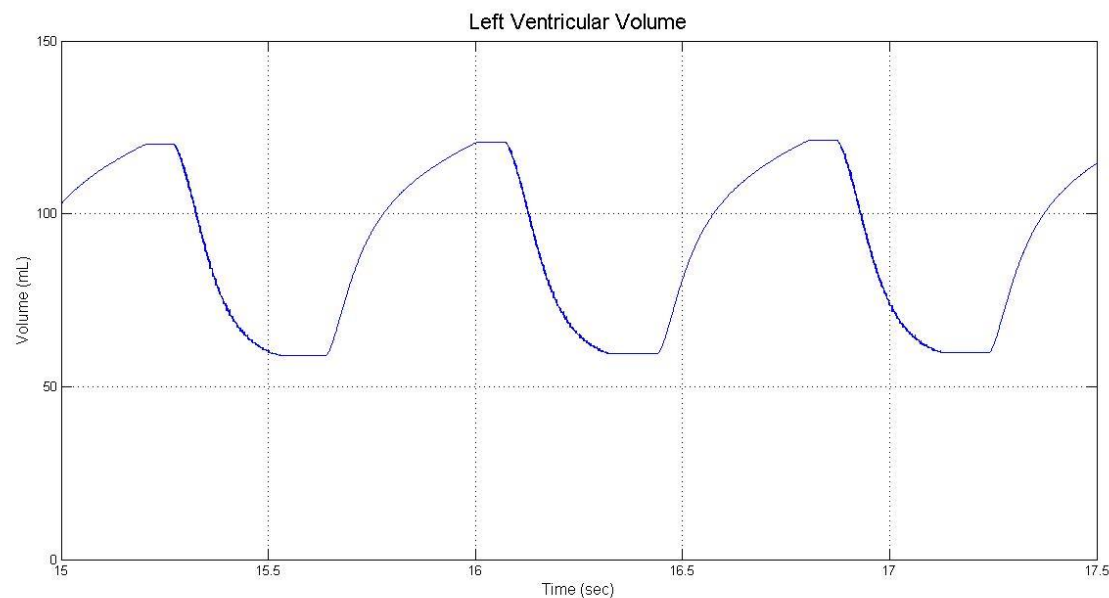
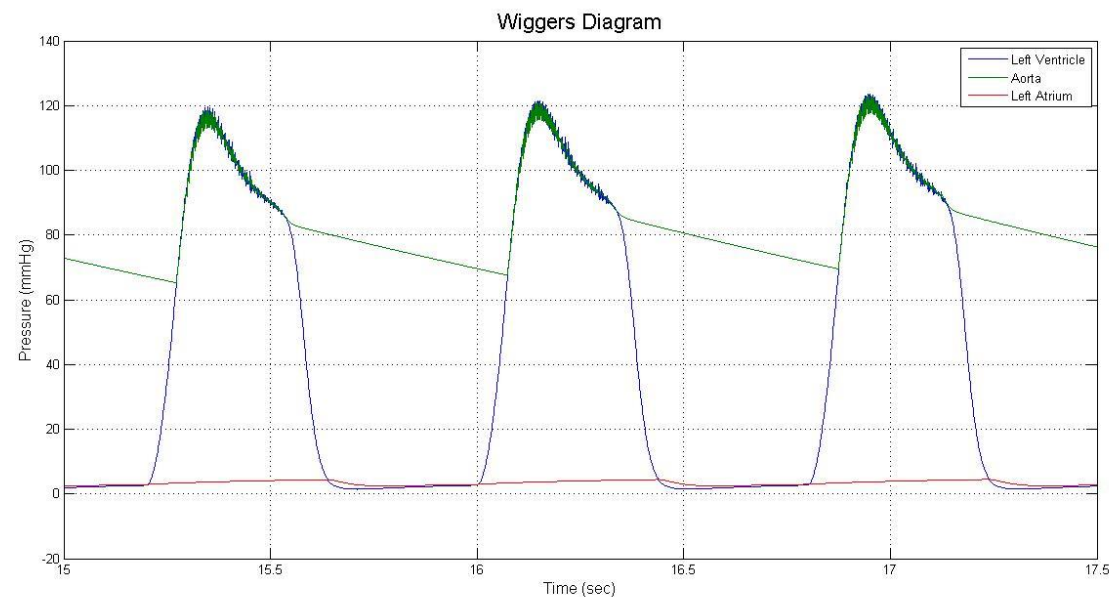
*$T_{cycle} = 0.8s$*

$$t_n = \frac{t}{0.2 + 0.1555 T_{cycle}}$$

$$E_n(t_n) = 1.553174 \left[ \frac{(t_n/0.7)^{1.9}}{1 + (t_n/0.7)^{1.9}} \right] \left[ \frac{1}{1 + (t_n/1.173474)^{21.9}} \right]$$



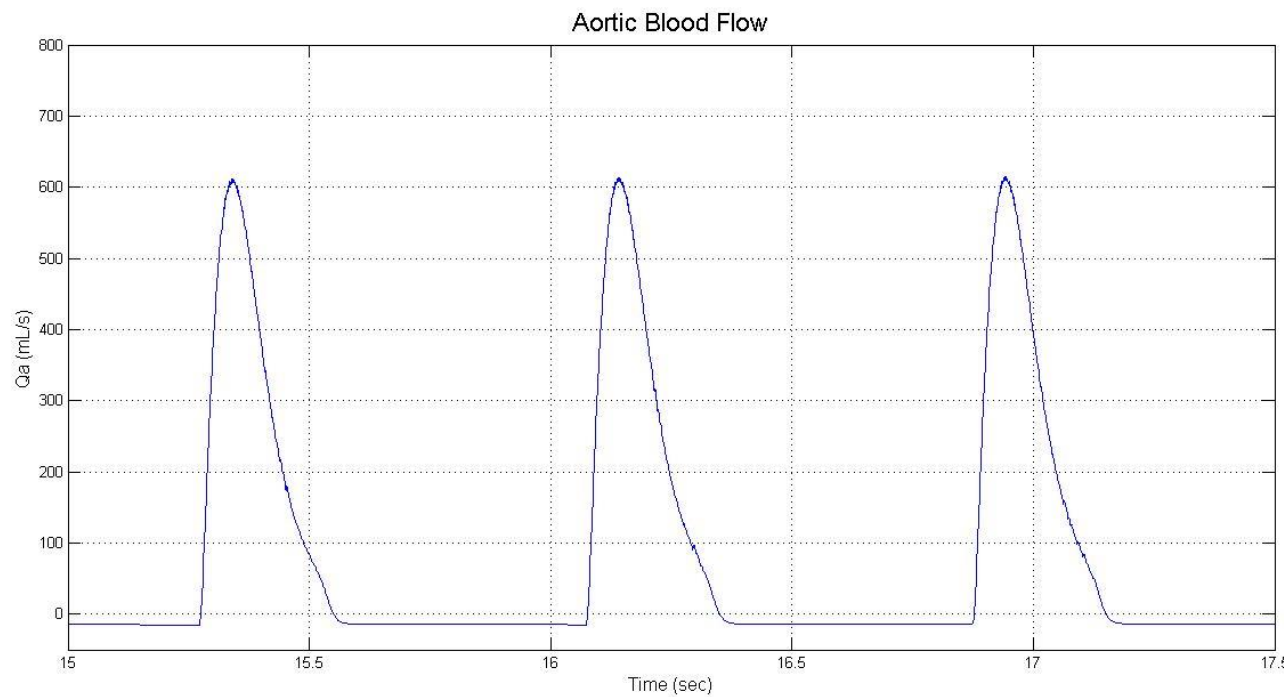
# Simulation Results – Wiggers Diagram



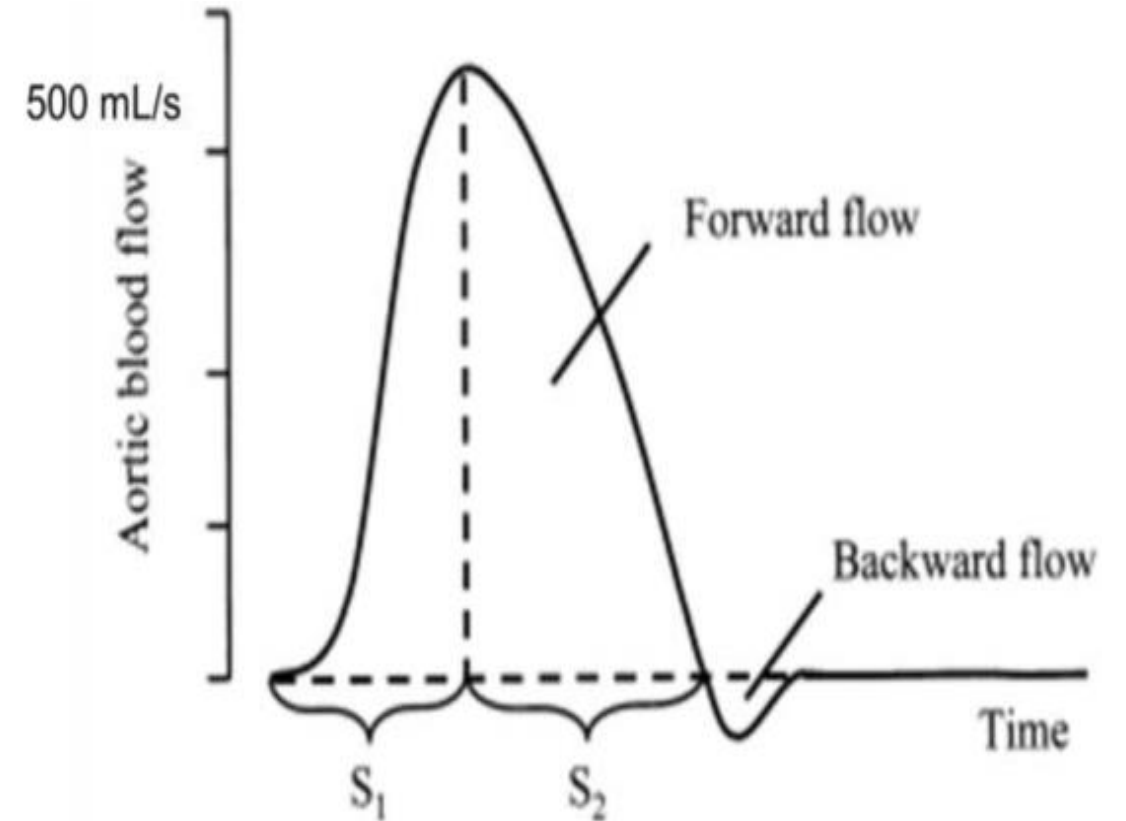
Comparison of simulated pressure and volume curves vs corresponding physiological data for the left heart



# Simulation Results – Aortic Blood Flow Rate



(a)

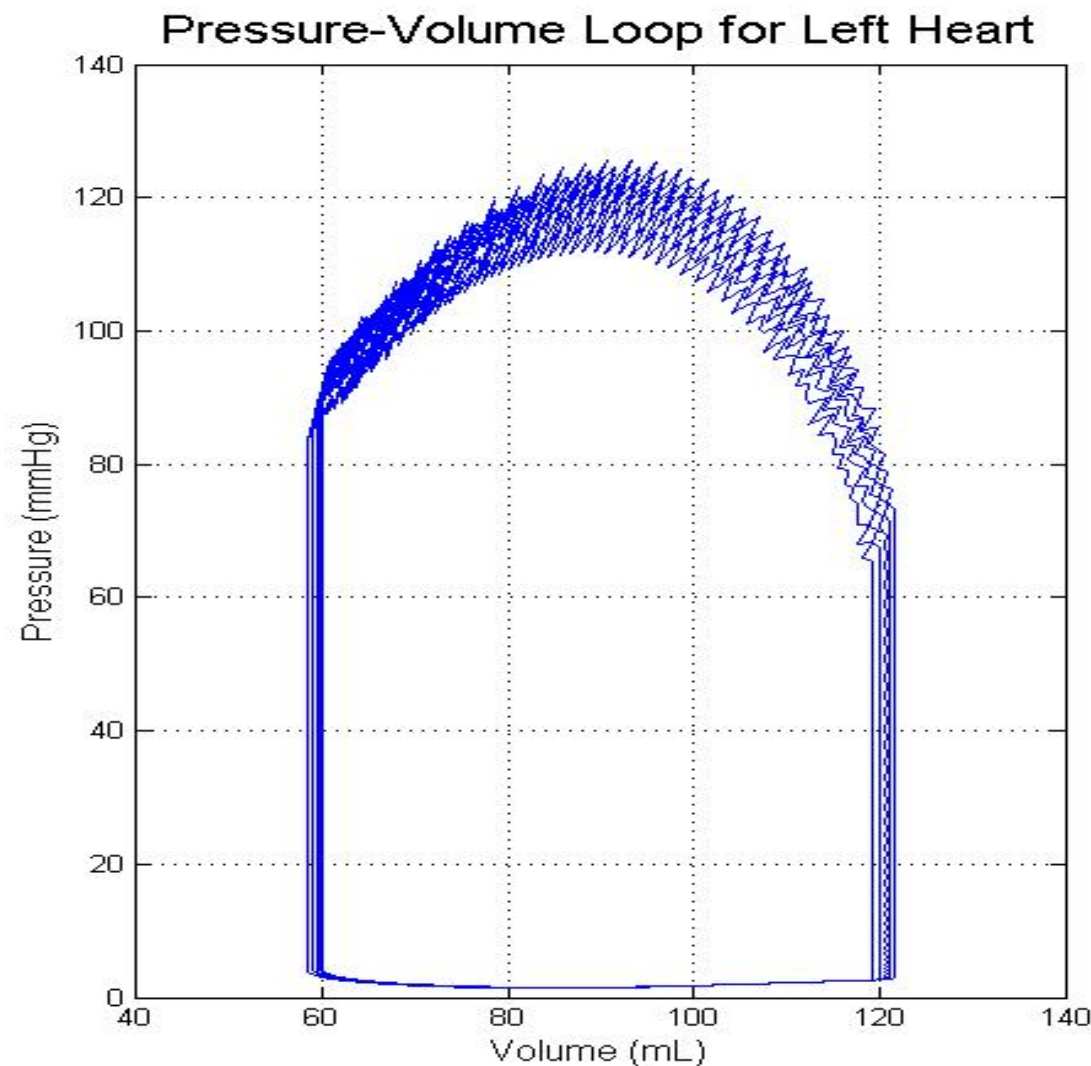


(b)

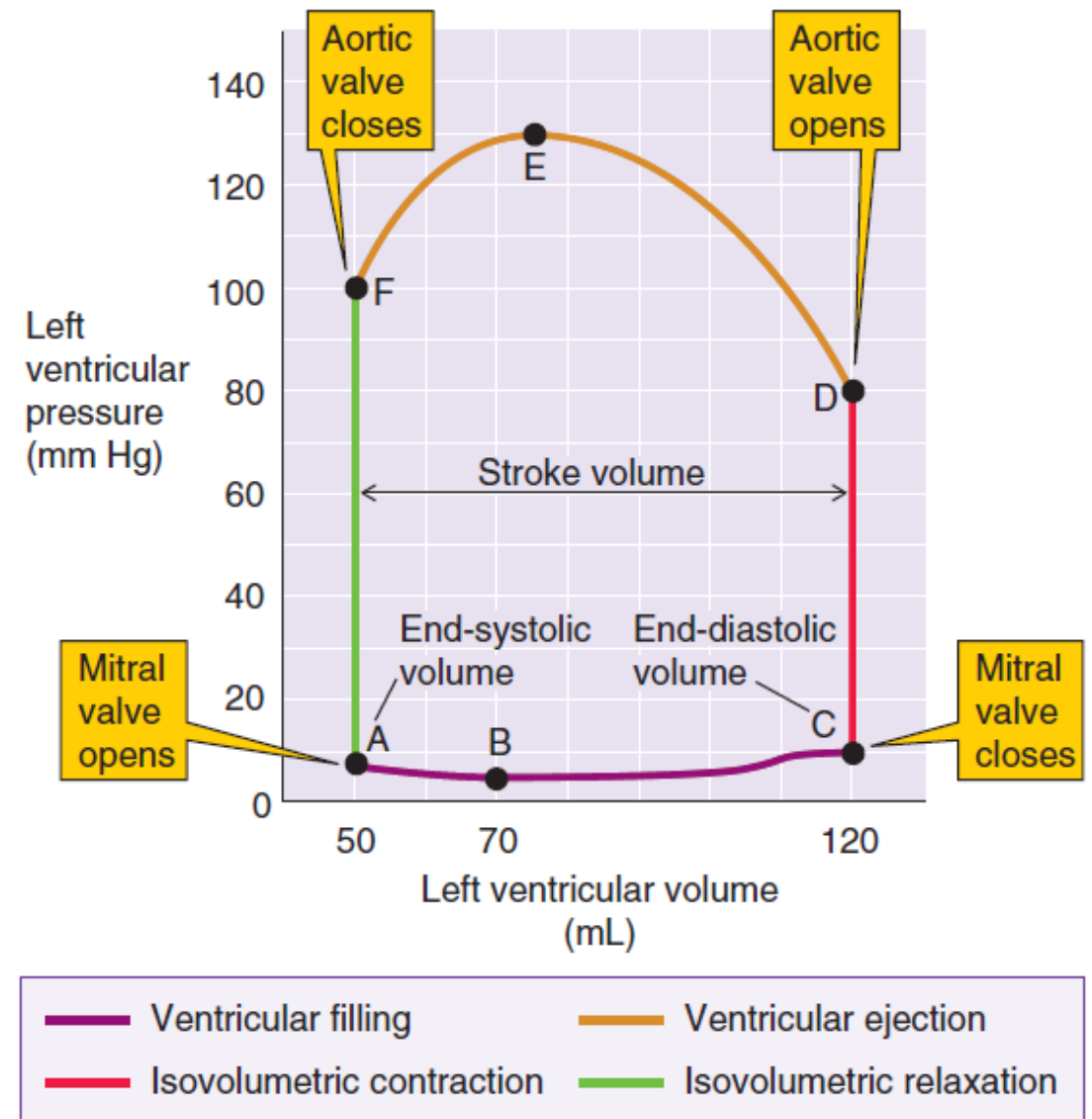
Comparison between (a) simulated aortic flow rate curve vs (b) corresponding physiological data for the left heart



# Simulation Results – Pressure-Volume Diagram



(a)



(b)

Comparison between (a) simulated pressure-volume loop vs (b) corresponding physiological data for the left heart

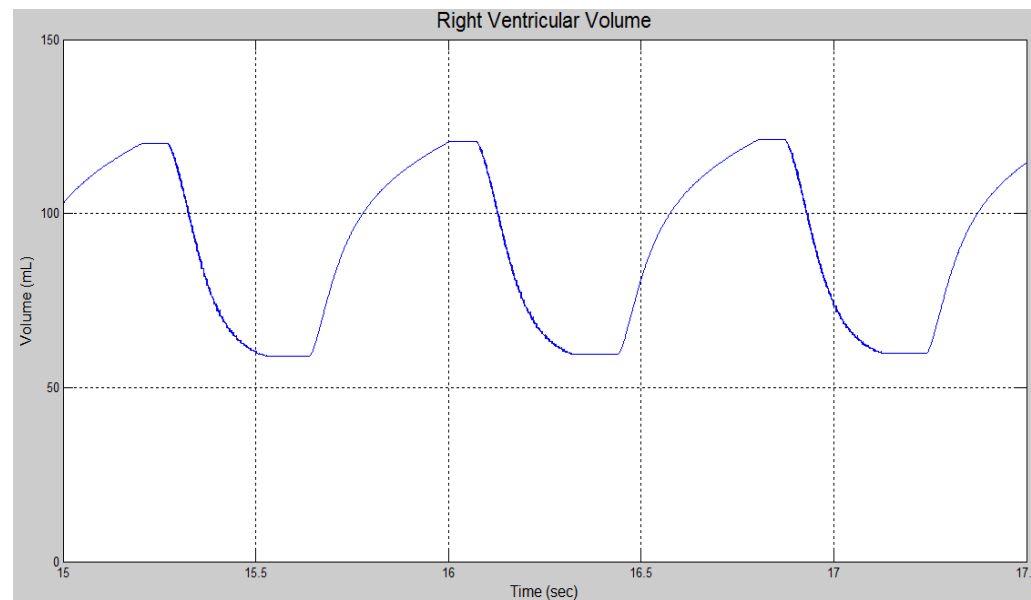




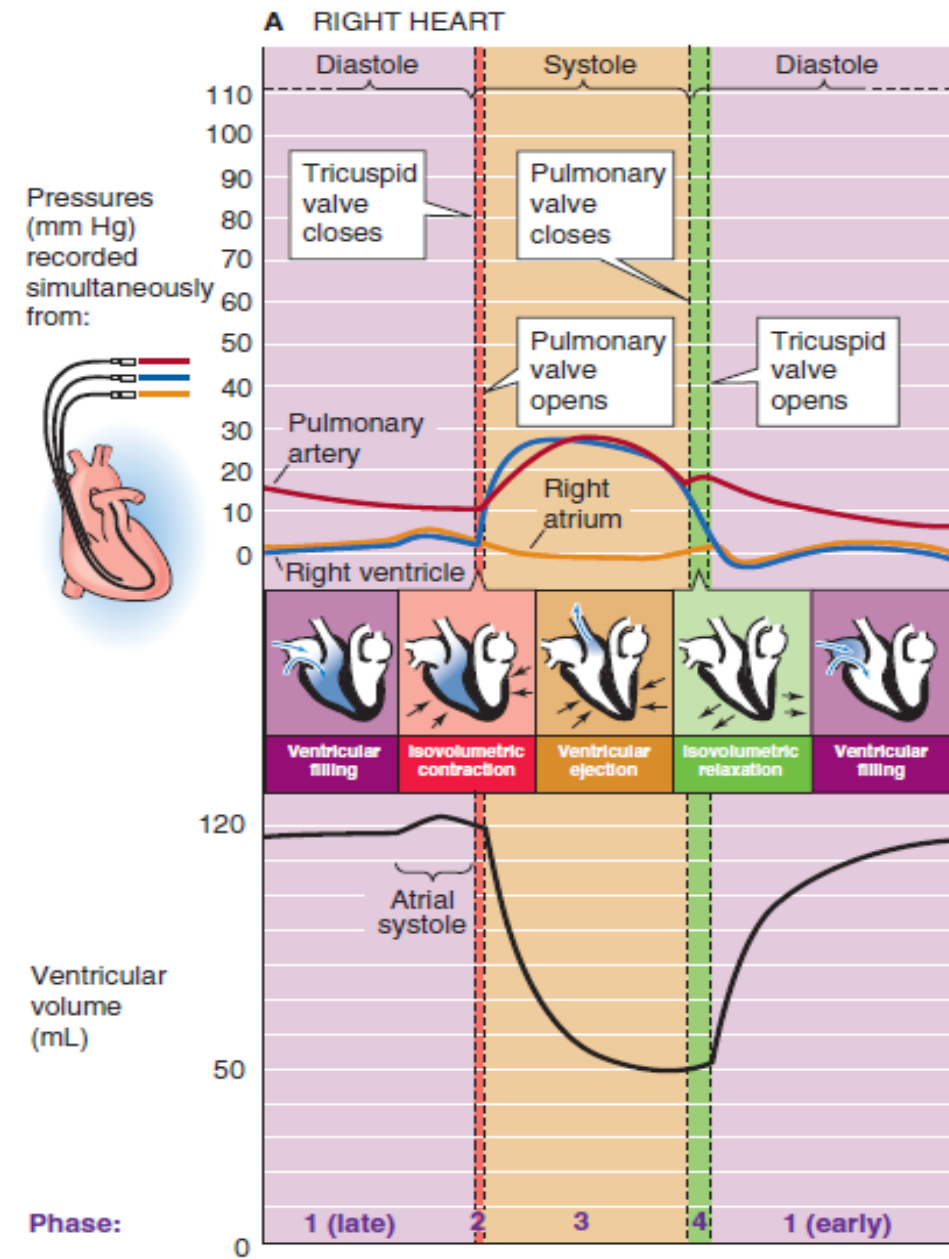
# Pressure and Volume Plots for the Right Heart



(a)



(b)



(c)

Comparison between (a), (b) simulated pressure and volume curves vs (c) corresponding physiological data for the rightt heart





# Discussion of Results

- The model only assumes elastic ventricles, but atria to be inelastic
- Four heart valves can be modeled with more real diodes instead of the ideal diodes.
- More segments such as head and limbs can be included in the model to achieve higher degree of accuracy and capture more details of hemodynamics



# Thanks!

# Questions?

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