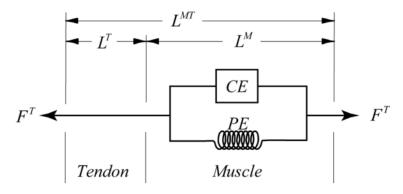
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## 1D Muscle Model based on the Hill 2-Element Model

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#### Model Overview



Schematic taken from Anderson (2007).

Global plotting options

```
fnum = 1;
opt_grid = 'on';
opt_hold = 'off';
splotx = 0;
sploty = 0;
```

## Global muscle properties

 $L_{rest}$  is the muscle resting length,  $P_{max}$  is the maximum force the muscle can produce and  $v_{max}$  is the maximum velocity of shortening.

```
L_REST = 0.5; %mm
F_MAX = 5; %N
V_MAX = 1.5; %mm/s
```

a and b are shape constants for the muscle force-velocity relationship

```
% muscle model constants
a = 0.25;
b = a*V_MAX/F_MAX;
```

#### Parallel elastic element

This element represents the passive response of the muscle upon streching greater than resting length.

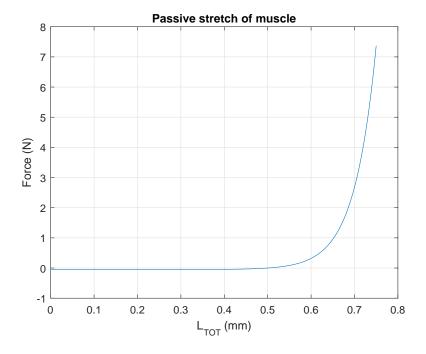
```
Note that L_{PE} = L_{TOT} = L_{CE}
```

The form of the passive relationship is not easily found in literature and is implemented in a straight forward way here to match the requirements of an exponential form which is non-zero above  $L_{rest}$ ;

$$F_{PE} = F_{MAX}c \times [e^{L_{TOT}/LREST - 1} - 1]$$

Parameter c is introduced to tune the shape of the curve.

```
c = 0.01;
d = 10;
L_TOT = (0:0.001:L_REST*1.5);
F_PE = F_MAX*c*(exp(d*(L_TOT/L_REST-1))-1);
xvec = L_TOT;
yvec = F_PE;
ftitle = 'Passive stretch of muscle';
xtitle = 'L_{TOT} (mm)';
ytitle = 'Force (N)';
plotxy(xvec, yvec, fnum, ftitle, xtitle, ytitle, opt_grid, opt_hold, ...
splotx, sploty)
```



## Contractile element

This element is reponsible for the active force production in the muscle. The total force is given in the form;

$$F_{CE} = \alpha(t) \times F_{vel}(V) \times F_{len}(L_{TOT})$$

As a first step, we assume that the muscle is fully tetanized, i.e.  $\alpha(t) = 1$ .

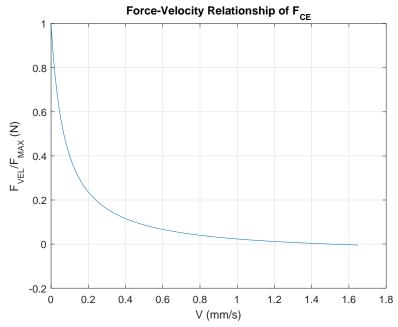
Force-velocity

Taken from Challis (1994), based on Hill (1938).

$$F_{VEL} = \frac{a(V_{MAX} - V)}{(b - V)}$$

where a and b have been fit to  $V_{MAX}$  and  $F_{MAX}$ .

V = 0:0.01:1.1\*V\_MAX;
F\_VEL = a\*(V\_MAX-V)./(b+V);
% normalize the F-v relationship to maximum force



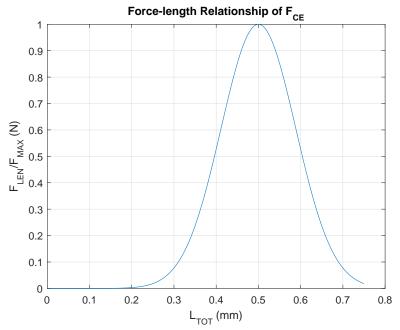
Force-Length

Taken from Challis (1994), based on Hatze (1981);

$$F_{LEN} = F_{MAX}[e^{-(\frac{Q-1}{SK})^2}]$$

where  $Q = L_{CE}/L_{REST}$  and \$SK\$ is a material parameter.

```
SK = 0.25; % L_TOT is defined above, the same definition is used here Q = L_TOT/L_REST; F_LEN = F_MAX*exp(-((Q-1)/SK).^2); % normalise the F-l relationship to max force F_LEN = F_LEN/F_MAX;
```



Now, returning to the contractile elment total force (normalising the indiviual relatioships to maximum force);

$$F_{CE} = F_{MAX} \times \frac{a(V_{MAX} - V)}{(b - V)F_{MAX}} \times e^{-(\frac{L_{CE}/L_{REST} - 1}{SK})^2}$$

recall that the muscle is currently fully tetanised.

## Total muscle force

Total force of the muscle is given by summing the passive and active parts;

$$F_{MUSC} = F_{CE} + F_{PE}$$

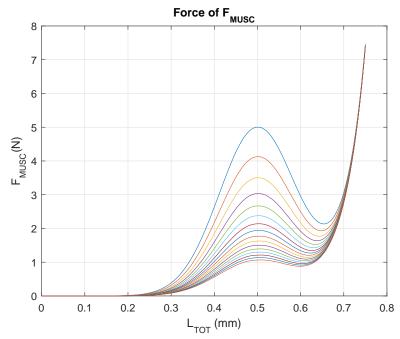
$$F_{MUSC} = F_{MAX} \times \{\frac{a(V_{MAX} - V)}{(b - V)F_{MAX}} \times e^{-(\frac{L_{CE}/L_{REST} - 1}{SK})^2} + c[e^{L_{TOT}/LREST - 1} - 1]\}$$

#### Constant velocity

Now, consider the muscle shortening at a constant velocity.

```
for i = 0:0.1:V\_MAX
   V = (i/10)*V_MAX;
   F_VEL = a*(V_MAX-V)./(F_MAX*(b+V));
   Q = L_TOT/L_REST;
   F_{LEN} = \exp(-((Q-1)/SK).^2);
   F_CE = F_MAX*F_VEL*F_LEN;
   F_PE = F_MAX*c*(exp(d*(L_TOT/L_REST-1))-1);
   F_MUSC = F_CE + max(F_PE,0);
   xvec = L_TOT;
   yvec = F_MUSC;
   ftitle = 'Force of F_{MUSC}';
   xtitle = 'L_{TOT} (mm)';
   ytitle = 'F_{MUSC}(N)';
   opt_hold = 'on';
   plotxy(xvec, yvec, fnum, ftitle, xtitle, ytitle, opt_grid, opt_hold, ...
        splotx, sploty)
```

end



Isometric Contraction

Now, consider an isometric contraction, that is, velocity = 0. How does the force evolve over time?

V = 0;

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