Dynamic Spirometry



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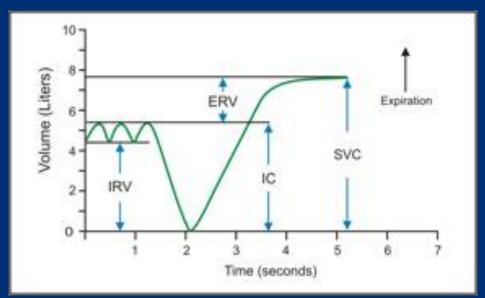
Spirometry

It provides an objective measurement of lung function.

It analyzes volume and velocity of expired air

Static test

Performed without regard to time



Relaxed Vital capacity: Max Volume of air expired during relaxed expiration after a maximal inspiration

Dynamic test

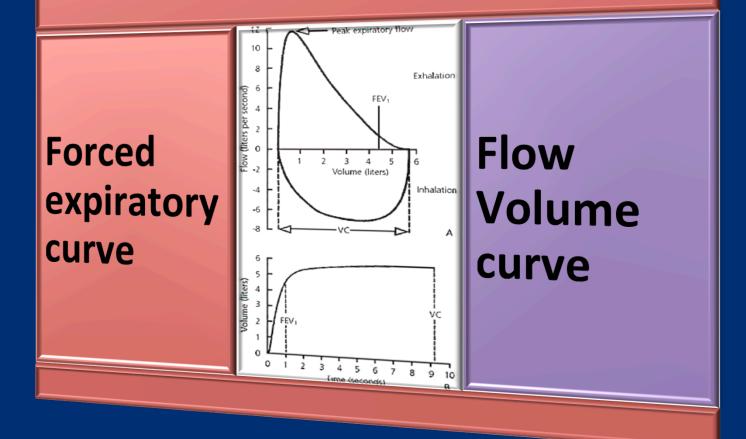
Performed at forcible and max effort against time

Measures the rate at which the lung changes volume during forced breathing

Forced vital capacity

The max volume of air that can be forcibly and rapidly exhaled following a max inspiration.

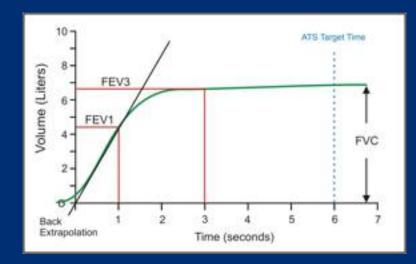
Two types of curves can be obtained



Forced Expiratory Curve

The subject takes a maximal inspiration and then exhales as rapidly, as forcibly,& as maximally as possible.

> A plot of exhaled volume against time:



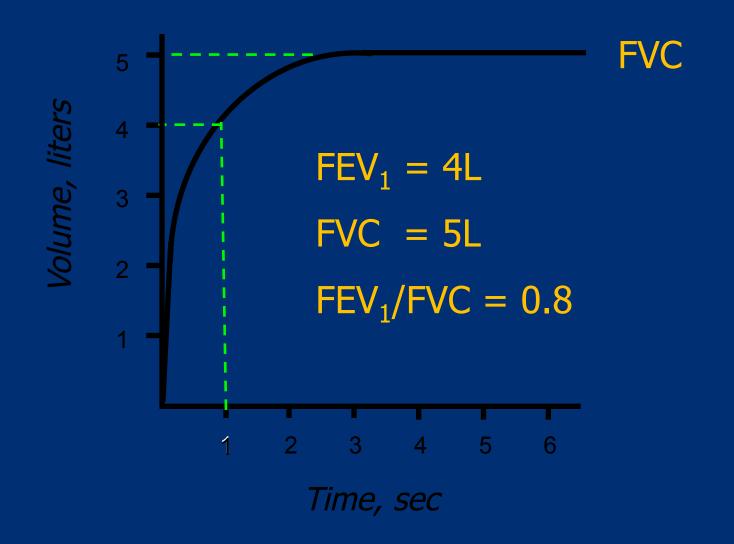
FEV1 : Volume of air expelled in the 1st sec of forced expiration starting from full inspiration

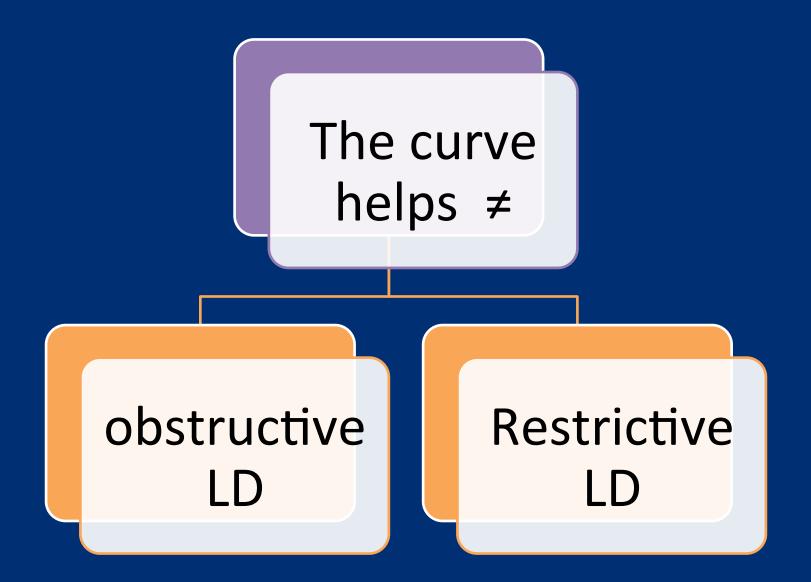
Plateau: FVC

FEV1 % or ratio = (FEV1/FVC) * 100

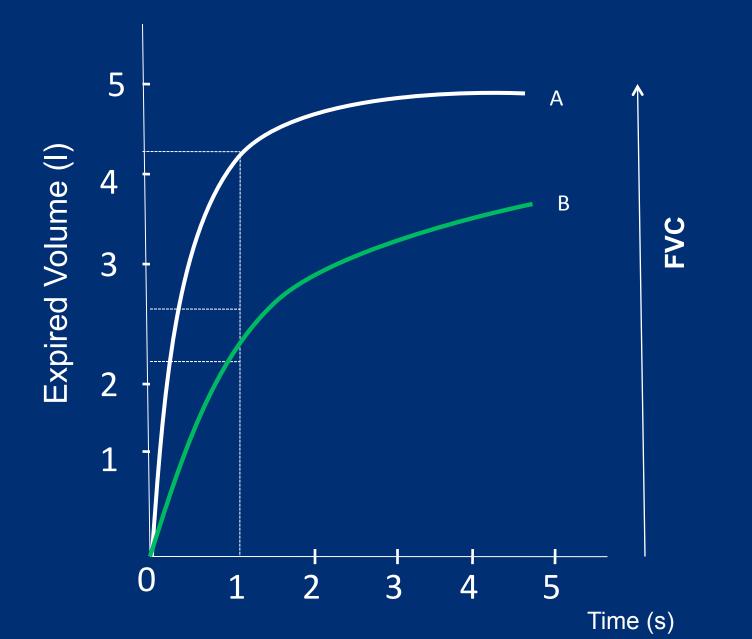
Fraction of the VC expired during the 1st sec of a forced expiration (NL 70%-80%)

Normal Trace Showing FEV₁ and FVC

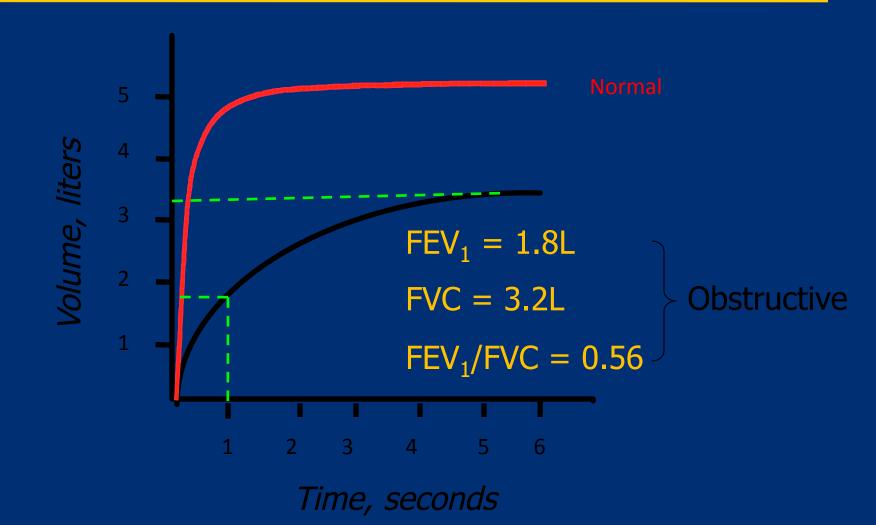


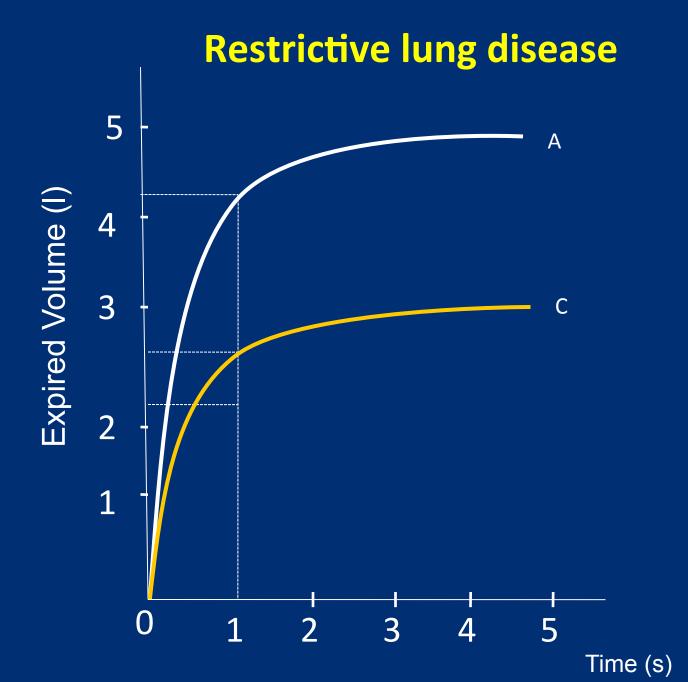


Obstructive lung disease

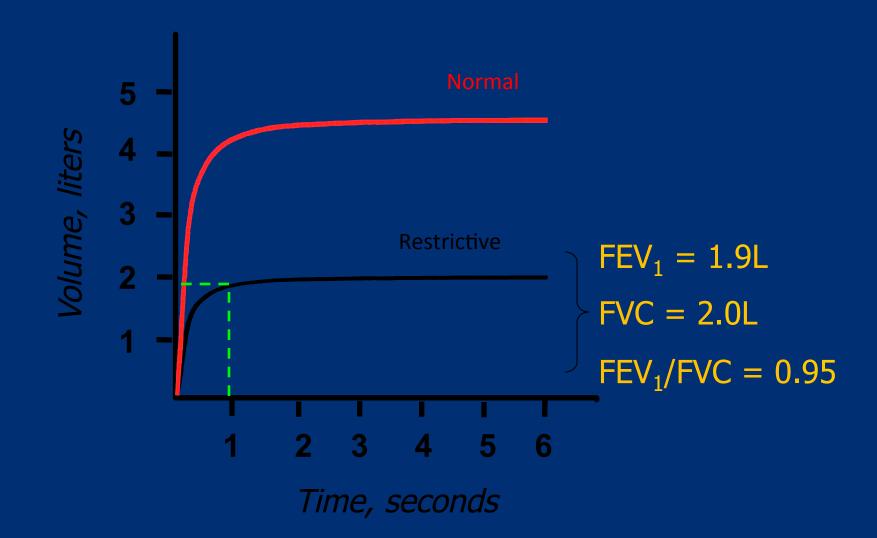


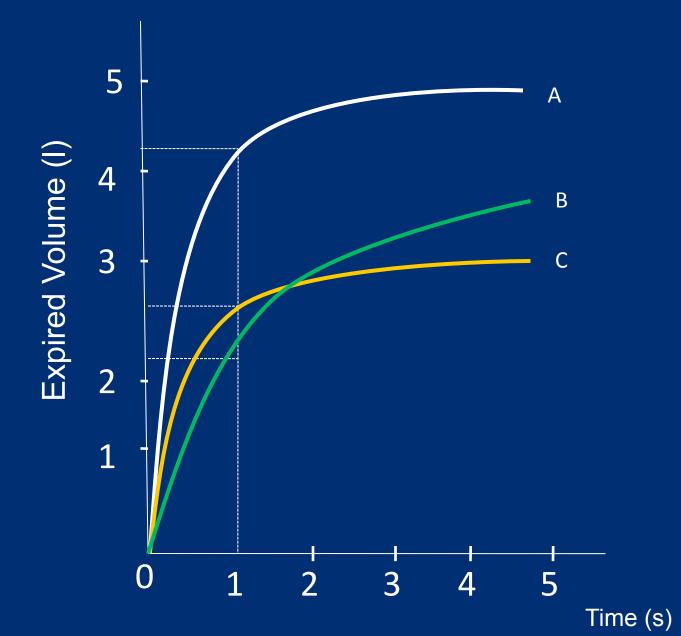
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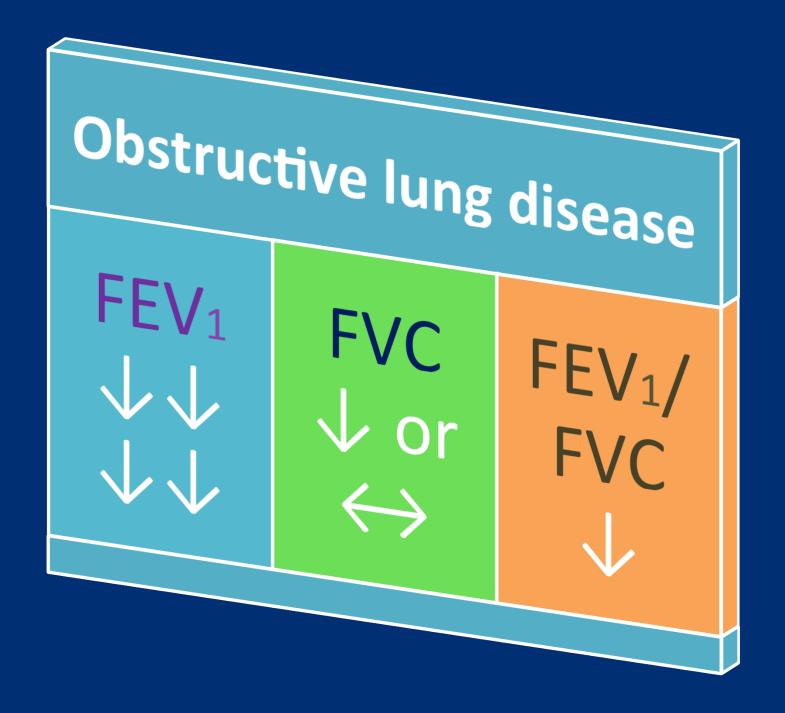


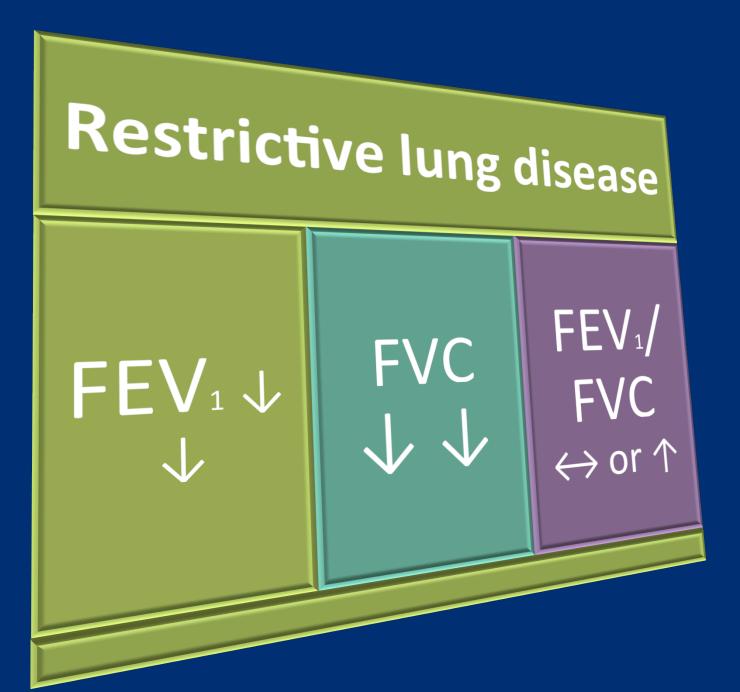


Restrictive Disease









Volume	Normal	Obstructive	Restrictive
FVC	5	↓ or ↔ (5)	↓ (3)
FEV1	4	↓↓↓ (2)	↓ (2.7)
FEV1%	80%	√ (40%)	↔ or 个 (90)

Results interpretation

 Results are reported as absolute values (litre) ,and as percentages of predicted values based on age, height, sex, ethnicity.

• Normal: Both FVC and FEV1 ≥ 75% of predicted

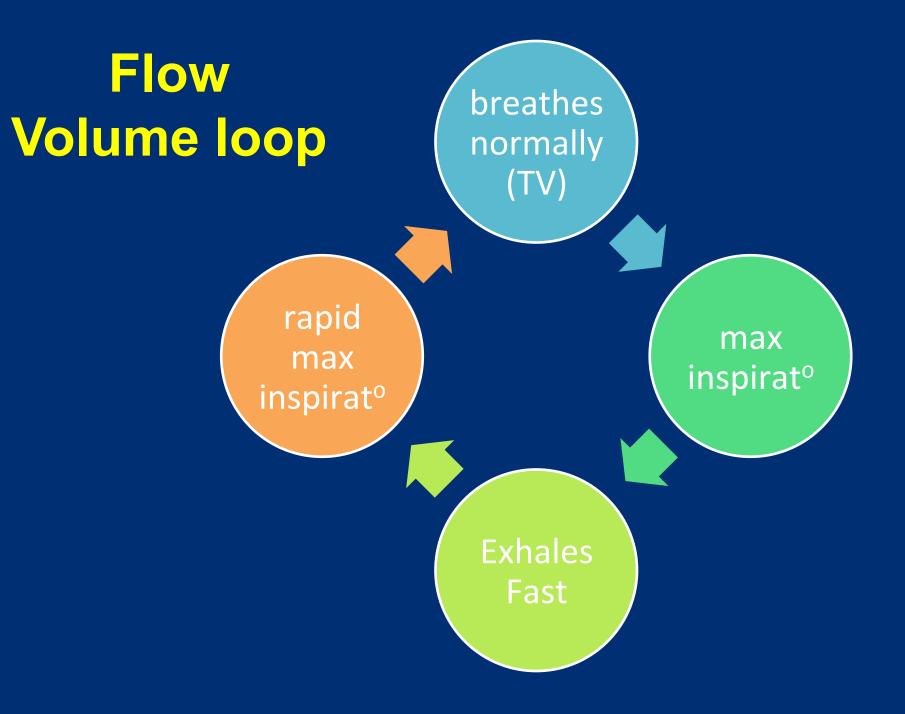
- If one or both of the parameters is < 75% predicted, calculate FEV1 ratio:
- $FEV_1\% \ge 80\%$ ------ Restrictive
- FEV1% < 70 % ----- → Obstructive

Calculating percentage of predicted values

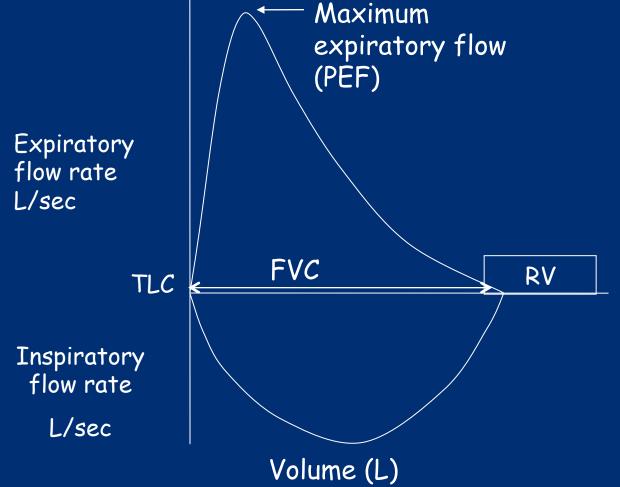
Patient: 45 year old woman, height 5'3"

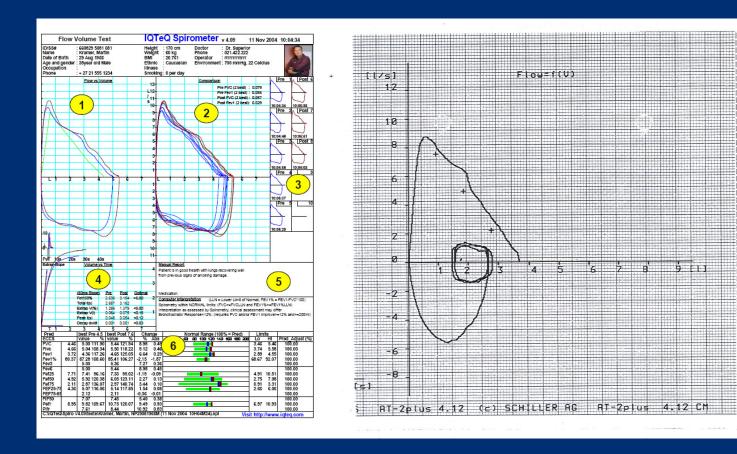
FEV_1	Reading	1.43	x 100% = 55% of predicted normal
	Predicted value		
FVC	Reading	2.5	x 100% = 82.5% of predicted normal
	Predicted value	3.03	x 100% = 02.5% of predicted formal
FEV ₁	Reading	1.43	= 0.57
FVC	Reading	2.5	- 0.07

Interpretation: patient has mild airflow obstruction as FEV_1 is between 50% and 80% of predicted normal and FEV_1/FVC is <0.7.



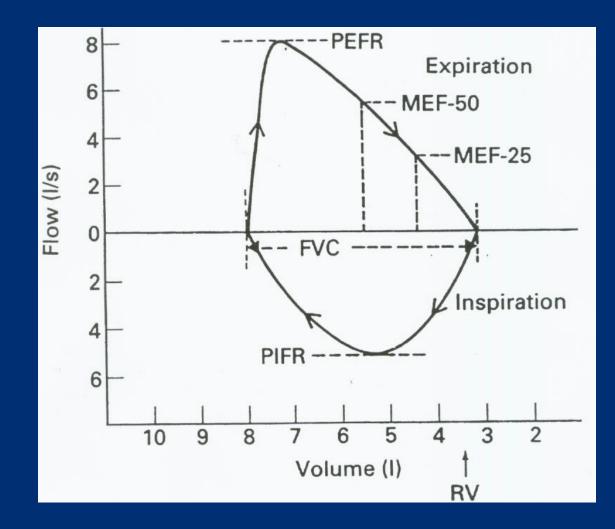
This measures exp & insp flow as a function of exhaled volume rather then against time.





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Flow Volume loop



Measurements on flow V loop

 PEFR : Greatest flow achieved during the maneuvre = 6- 12l/sec
 PIFR = max flow speed achieved during forceful inspiratory effort=6l/sec

MEF50: max expiratory flow at 50% of FVC = 4-6 l
FVC measured over the X-axis

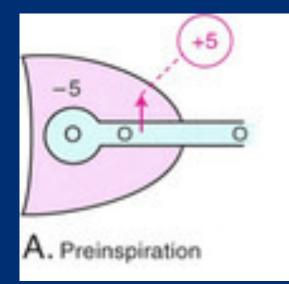
Maximal Expiratory Flow

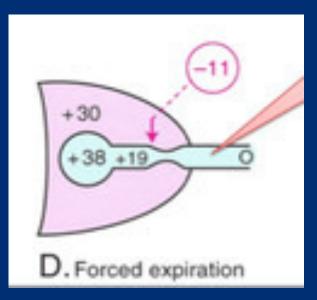
 The inspiratory and the 1st early flow rates of the expiratory curve : (flows generated near the TLC) are effort (muscle) dependent :

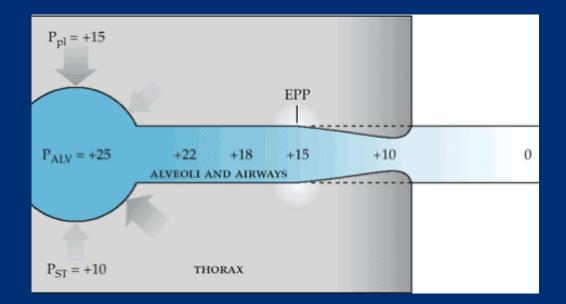
 The greater one can raise pleural pressure (the harder one forces the air out), the greater the resulting air flow

Flow Volume Loop and Flow Limitation

- At low lung Volume, as RV is approached, after a certain pleural pressure (Pip) is reached, flow rate is effort independent (it depends on the size of the bronchi)
- Harder effort generates higher Pip but no greater airflow, this is because the positive Pip that tends to collapse the airway exceeds the airway pressure that tends to keep the airways open: the airways narrow, preventing any further increase in airflow despite greater effort.







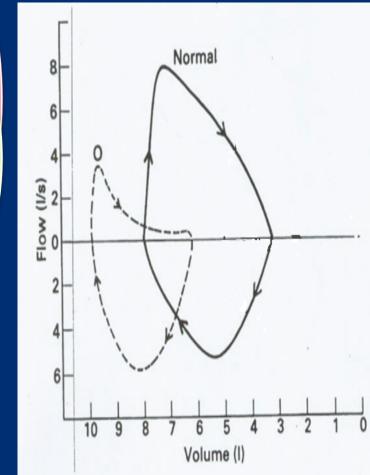
MEF50↓

Effort independent part of curve: concave

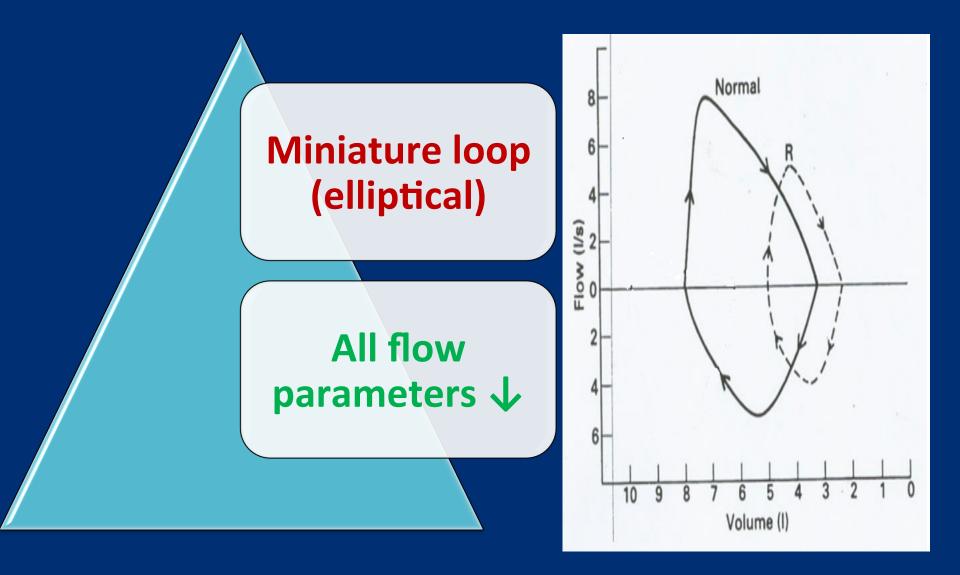
PEFR↓

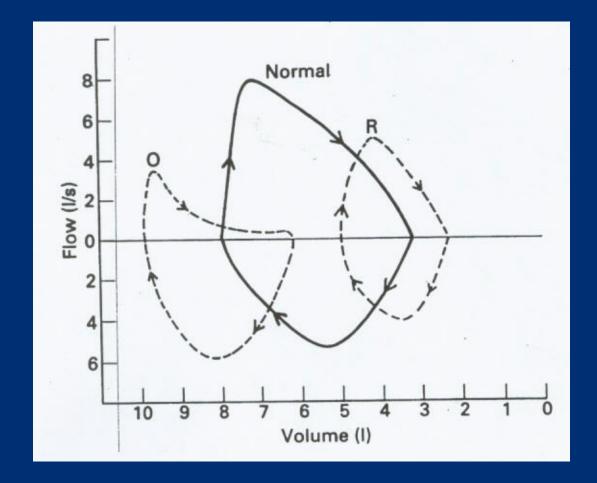
Inspiratory loop Normal

Obstructive LD



Restrictive LD





Importance of spirometry

Assess physical fitness .

Helps in the diagnosis of certain pulmonary diseases (obstructive & restrictive).

Follow disease progression.

Thank You