

## BIOLOGICAL FRAMEWORKS FOR ENGINEERS

### Session #21 [Muscle Cells to Tissues]

#### General Objectives:

- ✓ Review the molecular interactions of the contractile machinery in muscles.
- ✓ Discuss the biomechanics of muscle physiology from a micro and macro perspective

#### Central Framework:

- ✓ Muscles are complex actuators through which chemistry and organization provide the body with movement.

#### Session Outline:

##### I. Muscle Overview

Skeletal vs. Cardiac vs. Smooth Muscle Cells

Actomyosin Contraction

Pennate vs. Fusiform Muscle

##### II. Neural Signaling and Muscle Activation

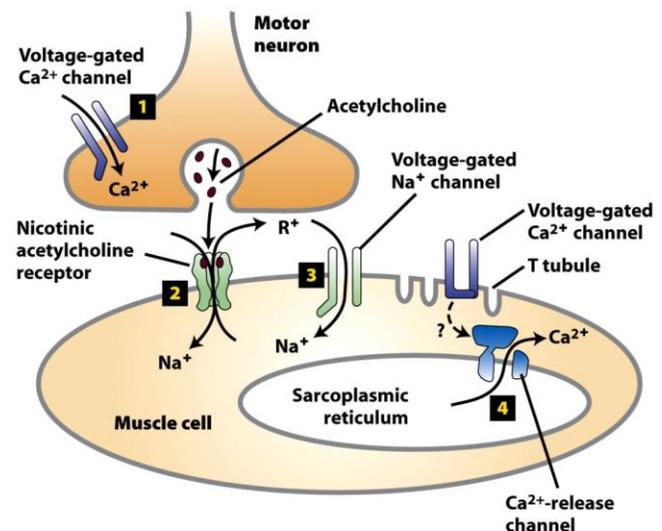


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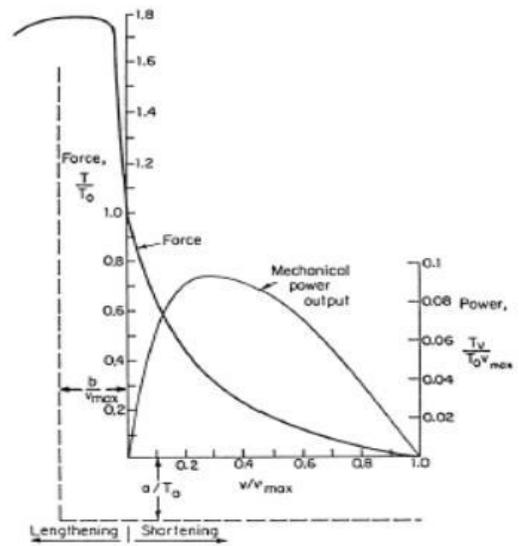
### III. Muscle Mechanics

#### A. TWITCH

#### B. Muscle Conditions

- Isometric
- Isotonic
- Tetanus

#### C. Force-Velocity Relationship



#### D. Length – Tension Relationship

