# Mosso's Ergography

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### Introduction

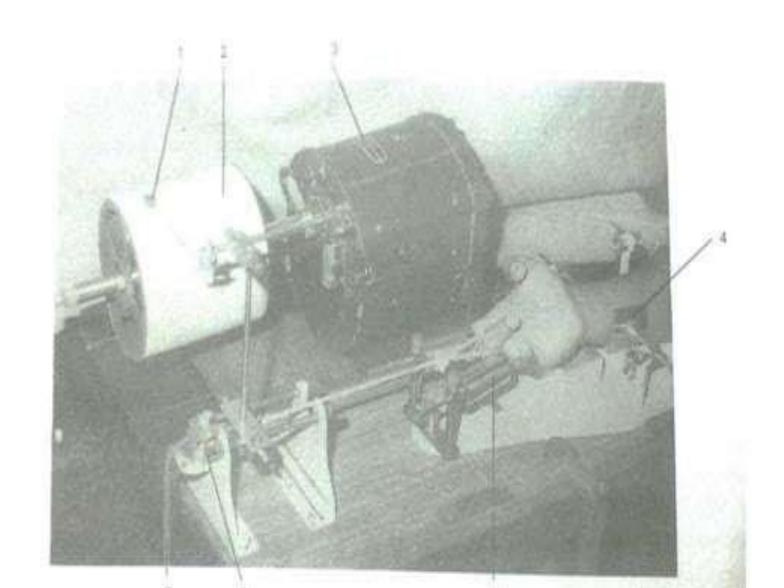
- Erg is unit of work Ergograph is apparatus
- · Which is the recording of an ergogram.
- 1st described by Mosso, and therefore is called *Mosso's Ergography*.
- Ergogram is the recording of the voluntary contractions of skeletal muscles of a human being on a moving kymograph or <u>manual</u> or Auto movement of the paper.
- Ergography is done to asses the work done by flexor of the fingers of the hand.
- · This is also performed to study the phenomenon of fatigue in

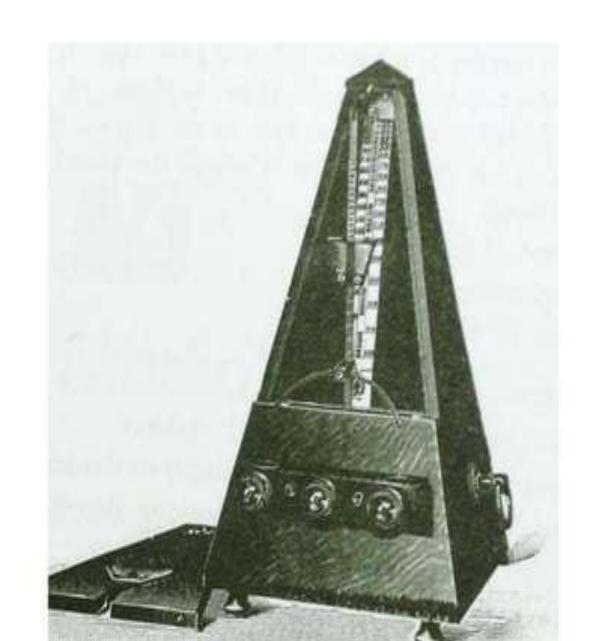
# Principle

- The subject contract the flexors of the fingers against resistance, using Mosso's Ergogram, till the figure is *FATIGUED*.
- The work done is calculated to study the effect of various factors on the performance.

## Requirements

- · Mosso's ergography
- Metronome
- · Electrical kymograph (if needed)
- Sphygmomanometer
- A set of weights





# Procedure

# Factors that affect performance

- Age
- Sex
- Height
- · Physical build
- Training
- · Race
- Motivation

# Factors that affect FATIGUE

- THE DEGREE OF WORK.
- THE DURATION OF WORK
- Venous Occlusion
- Arterial Occlusion

# In Mosso's ergography, fatigue is affected by

#### · The weight to be lifted

†ses the weight lifting, fatigue occurs early

#### The frequency of contractions

Fatigue occurs early when the frequency of contraction †ses.

#### Motivation

Encouragement delays fatigue.

### Blood supply to the exercising muscle

Venous and arterial occlusion accelerate fatigue.

# Factors that causes muscle fatigue

- These are:
  - Depletion of nutrients (O<sub>2</sub>, Creatine P, ATP)
  - Depletion of NEUROTRANSMITTERS
  - Production & Accumulation of metabolites.

#### Calculation

- $\bullet$  W= F x S
  - W is the Work done (in kg m)
  - F is the load (kg)
  - S is the total distance (in meters) through which the load is lifted.

Name one condition each in which muscle performance gets impaired due to venous occlusion and arterial occlusion.

- Venous blood supply to a muscle gets impaired due to thrombosis secondary to thrombophlebitis and
- due to arterial occlusion in Buerger's disease, a disease characterized by inflammation of the coats of arteries. (chain smoking is a precipitating factor.)

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