Selected Notes from Chapter 2, Heinsohn and Cimbala

The respiratory system:

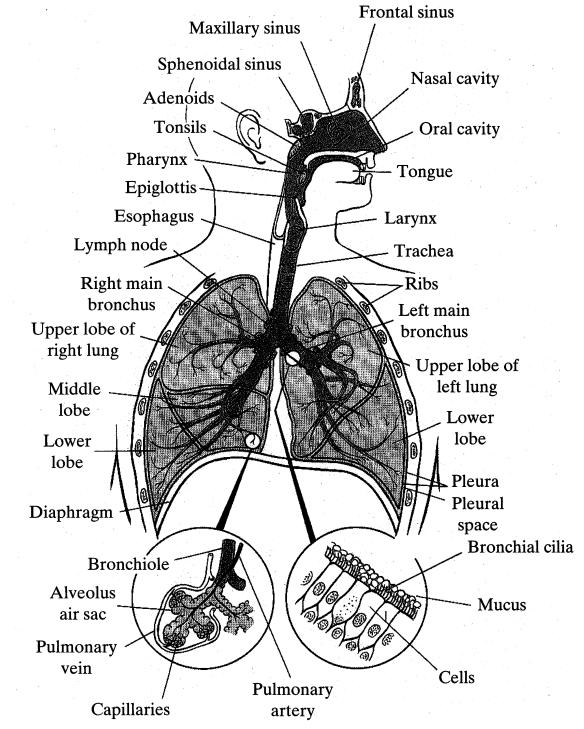


Figure 2.1 Components of the respiratory system (courtesy of the American Lung Association).

Branching airways:

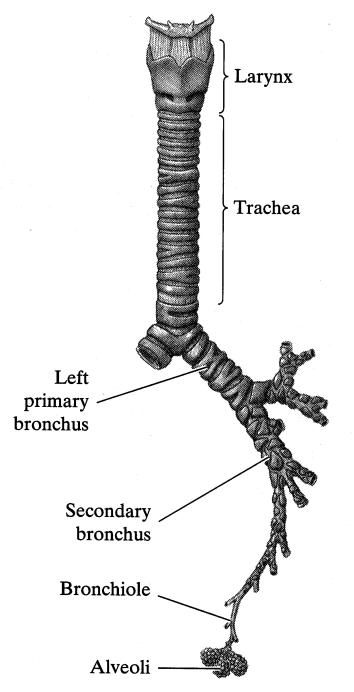


Figure 2.2 Schematic diagram of branching airways. The trachea divides into two primary bronchi, one to each lung. Each bronchus divides at least 20 times, and finally terminates in a cluster of alveoli (from Heinsohn & Kabel, 1999).



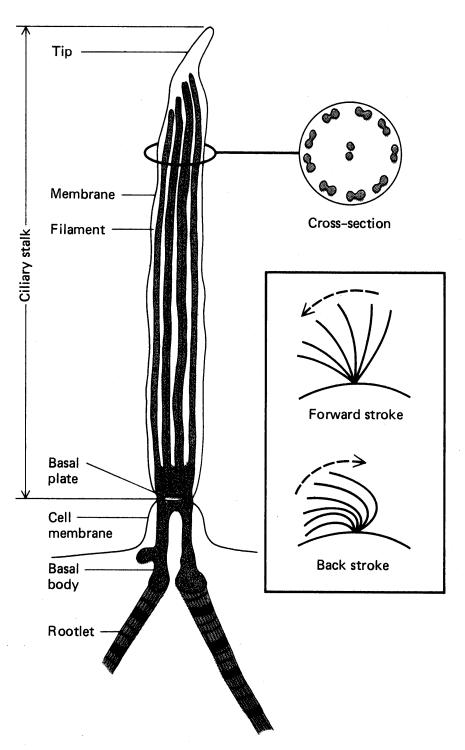


Figure 2.3 Structure and function of the cilium (adapted from Guyton, 1986).

Cilia (close-up view in the bronchial tubes):

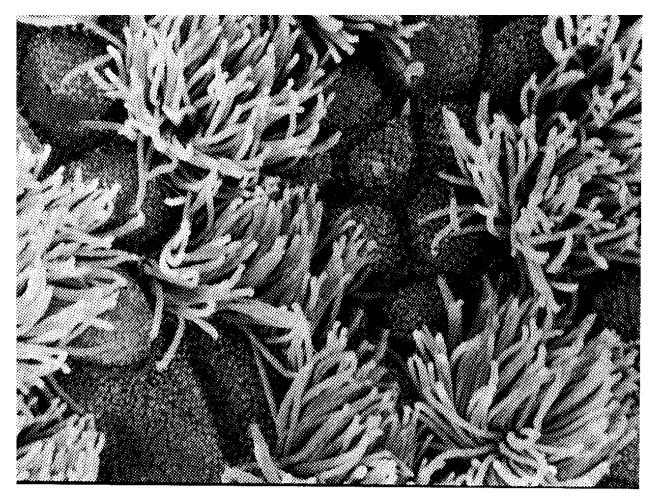


Figure 2.4 Scanning electron micrograph of a portion of a bronchial passage showing cilia interspersed with mucus-secreting cells whose surfaces are covered with microcilli (from Heinsohn & Kabel, 1999).

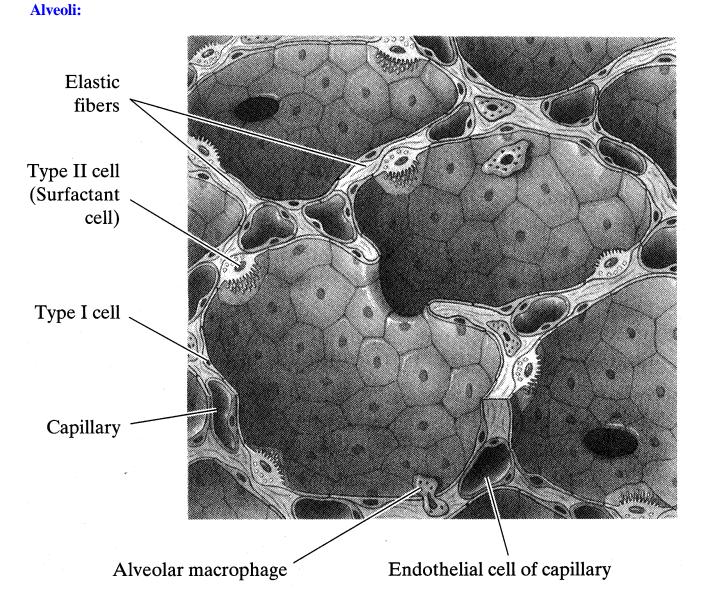


Figure 2.5 Alveoli in the pulmonary system; the alveoli are composed of type I cells for gas exchange and type II cells that synthesize surfactant; macrophage lying on the alveolar membrane ingest foreign material that reach the alveoli (from Heinsohn & Kabel, 1999).

The Weibel model of the lung:

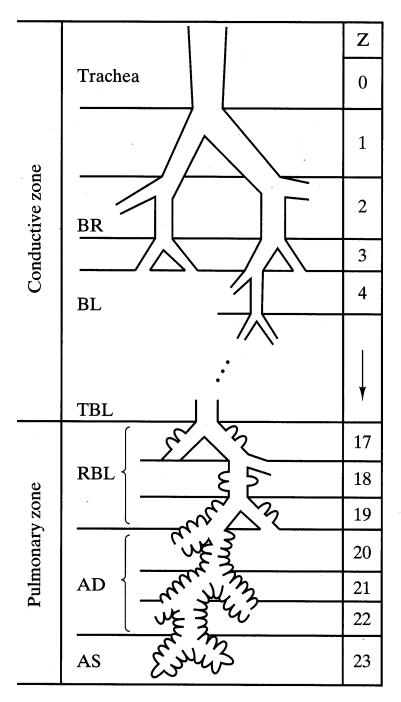


Figure 2.6 Systematic Weibel model; airway generation (Z), bronchi (BR), bronchioles (BL), terminal bronchiole (TBL), partially alveoliated respiratory bronchioles (RBL), fully alveoliated ducts (AD), and terminal alveolar sacs (AS) (redrawn from Ultman, 1985).

Spirometry:

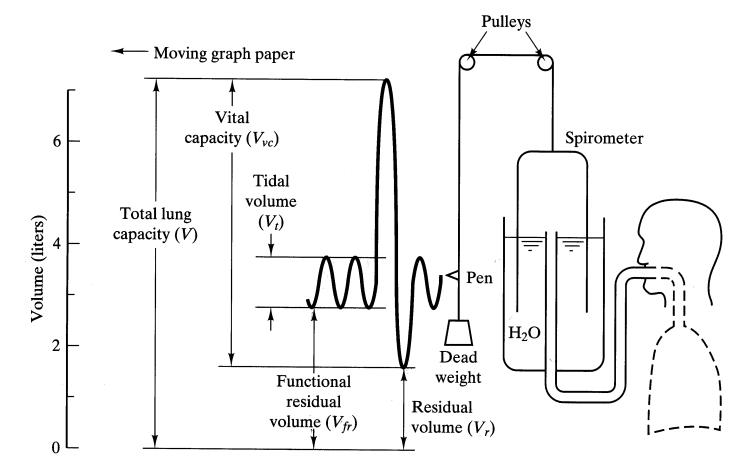
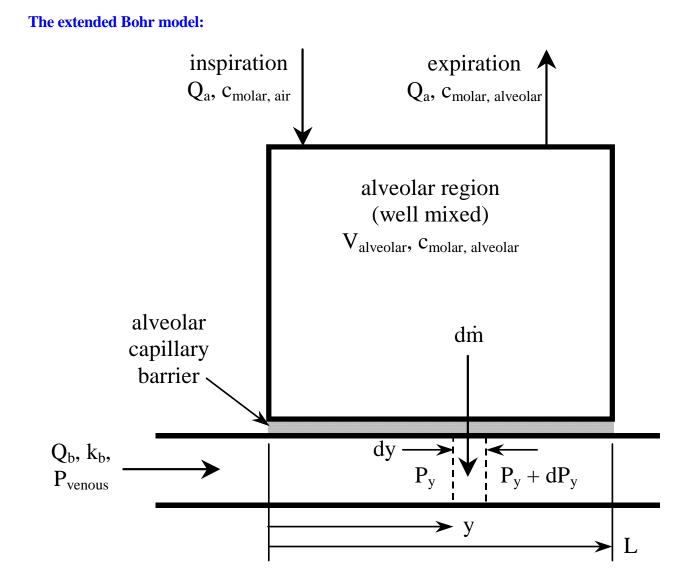
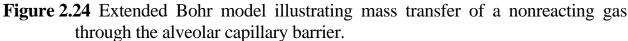


Figure 2.11 Lung volumes and elements of spirometry. A pen records changes in the air volume on graph paper that moves to the left. The residual volume and functional residual volume cannot be measured with the spirometer (from Heinsohn & Kabel, 1999).

Table 2.4	Ventilation, blood flow, and the ventilation perfusion ratio (R_{vp}) during						
various activity levels (abstracted from Ultman, 1988 and 1989).							

parameter	exercise or activity level			
	rest	light	moderate	heavy
ventilation rate, Q _t (L/min)	11.6	32.2	50.0	80.4
frequency, min ⁻¹	13.6	23.3	27.7	41.1
tidal volume, V _t (L)	0.85	1.38	1.81	1.96
V _d /V _t	0.34	0.20	0.16	0.16
blood flow, Q _b (L/min)	6.5	13.8	18.4	21.7
$Q_a = Q_t(1 - V_d/V_t) (L/min)$	7.66	25.8	42.0	67.5
$R_{vp} = Q_a/Q_b$	1.18	1.87	2.28	3.11



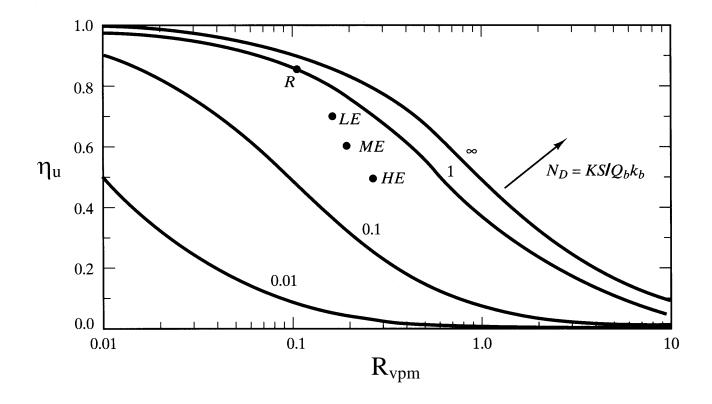


See algebra in the book. We treat the alveolar volume as a control volume for the air and gases, and we treat the vein as a control volume for the blood and absorbed gases. The following equation results:

Uptake absorption efficiency

 $\eta_{u} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{R_{vpm}}{1 - \exp(-N_{D})}}$ (2-37)

where N_D is the diffusion parameter, $N_D = K S/(Q_b k_b)$, K is the overall mass transfer coefficient, S is the total useful working surface area of the alveoli, Q_b is the blood flow rate, and k_b is the solubility coefficient.



activity level	N _D	R _{vpm}	η_u (%)
rest state (R)	1.0	0.11	85.
<i>light exercise state</i> (LE)	0.49	0.18	69.
<i>moderate exercise state</i> (ME)	0.37	0.21	59.
<i>heavy exercise state</i> (HE)	0.31	0.29	48.

Figure 2.26 Absorption efficiency versus modified ventilation-perfusion ratio for different values of the diffusion parameter corresponding to rest (R), light exercise (LE), moderate exercise (ME) and heavy exercise (HE) (adapted from Ultman, 1988).

Carbon Monoxide:

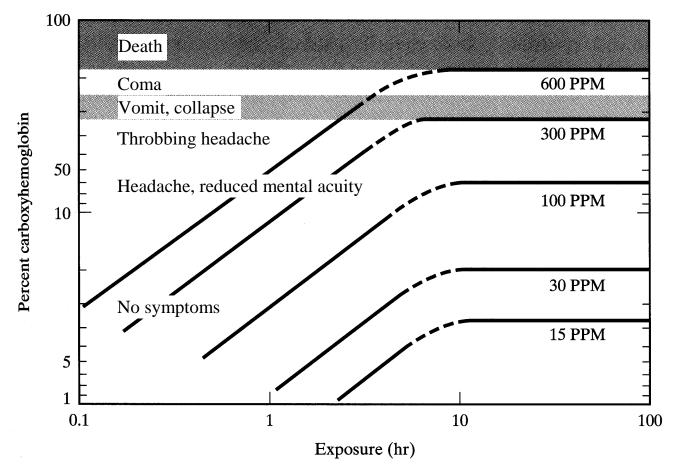


Figure 2.41 Response to carbon monoxide as a function of concentration (PPM) and exposure time (hr). The OSHA 8-hr PEL is 35 PPM and the EPA Primary Air Quality Standard is 9 PPM (redrawn from Seinfeld, 1986).

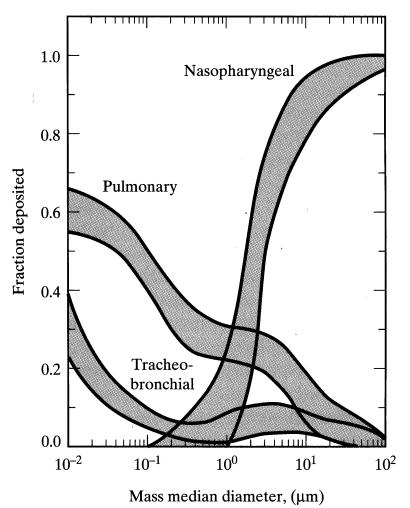


Figure 2.34 Predicted regional deposition of particles in the respiratory system for a tidal volumetric flow rate of 21. L/min. Shaded area indicates the variation resulting from two geometric standard deviations, 1.2 and 4.5 (redrawn from Perra and Ahmed, 1979).