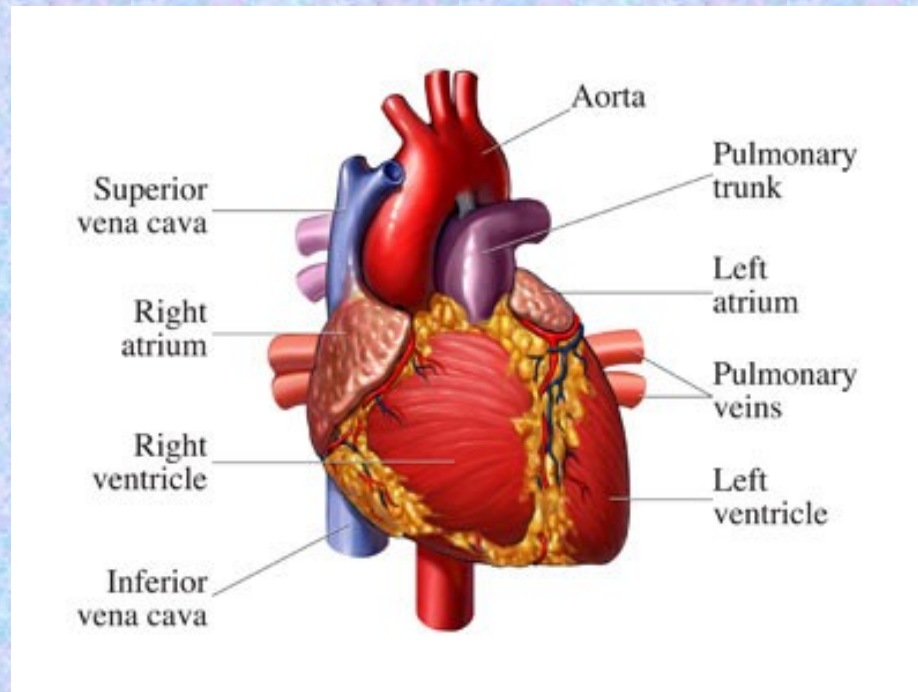


# EXAMINATION TECHNIQUES

## IN CARDIOLOGY



- **Non-invasive methods**



- **Invasive methods**

- (by puncture needle or catheter)



# NON – INVASIVE METHODS

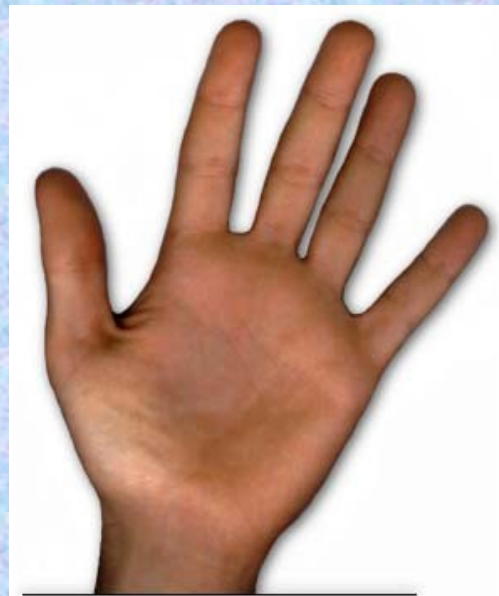
**Basic** – used together with examination of patients



**Inspection**



**Percussion**

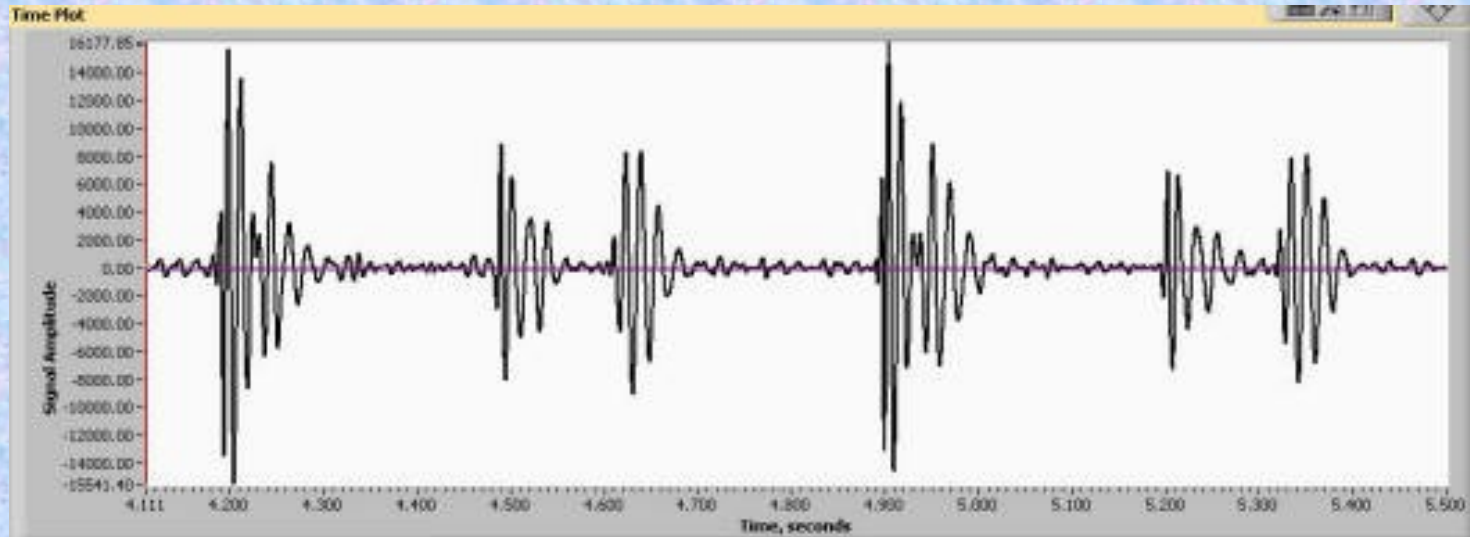


**Palpation**



**Auscultation**

- **PHONOCARDIOGRAPHY**



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**S2**

**S3**

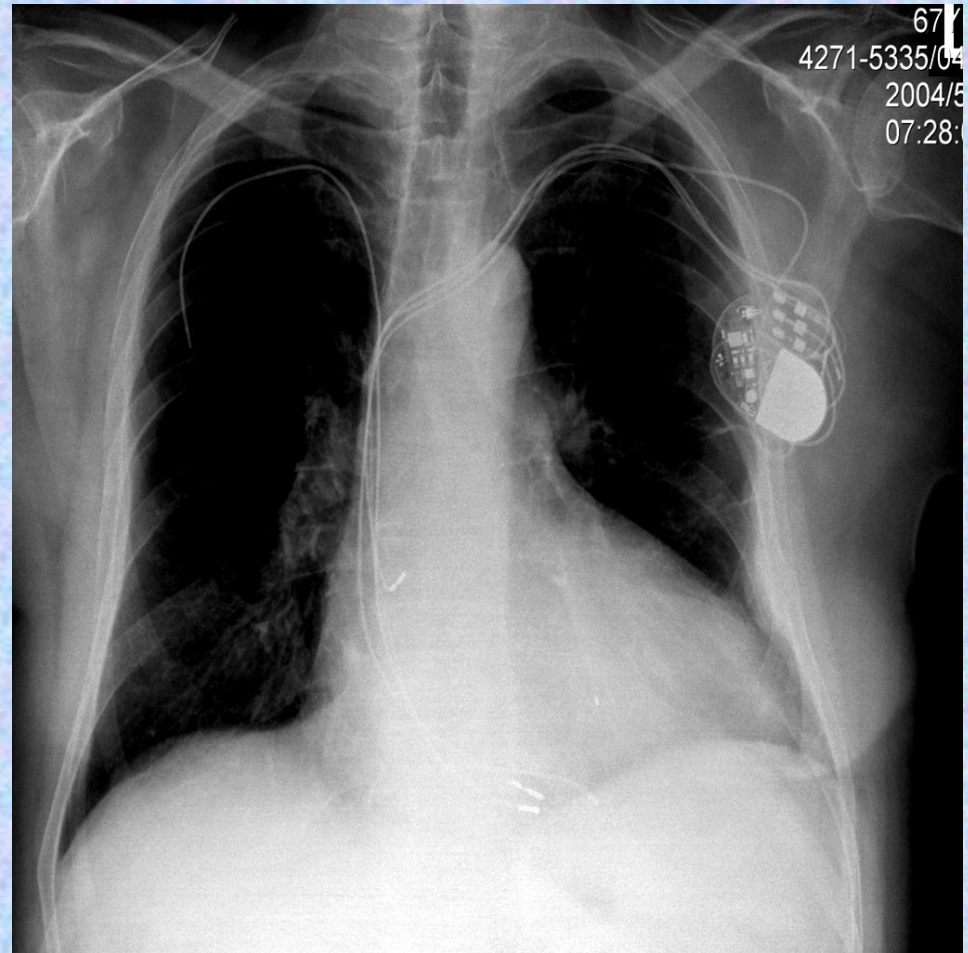
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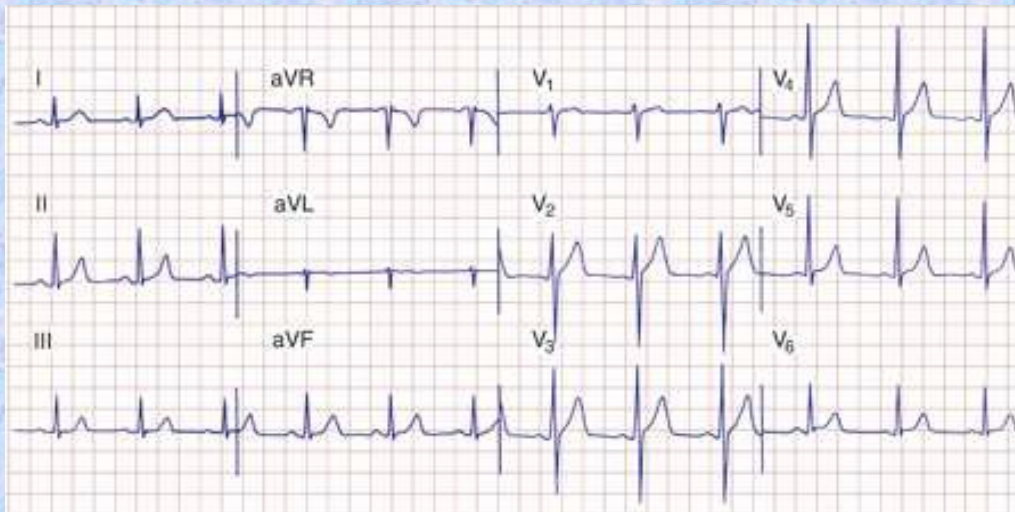
# X-ray

Chest x-ray provides useful information about cardiac size and shape, as well as the state of the pulmonary vasculature, and may identify noncardiac causes of the patient's symptoms



# ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY

- A routine 12-lead ECG
- The major importance of the ECG is to assess cardiac rhythm and determine the presence of left ventricle hypertrophy or prior myocardial infarction or QRS width
- Normal ECG excludes left ventricle dysfunction

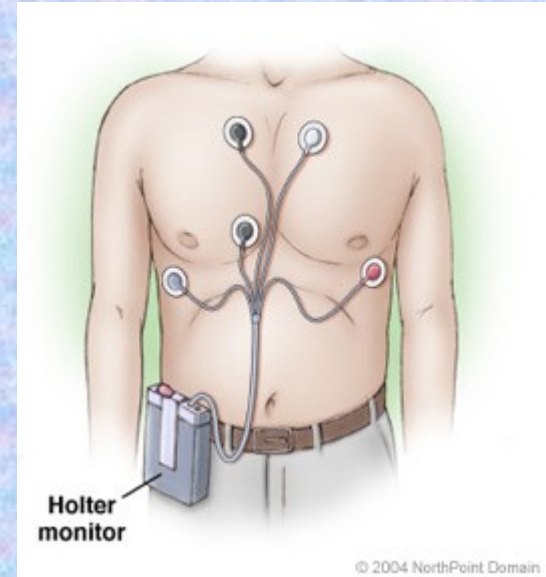


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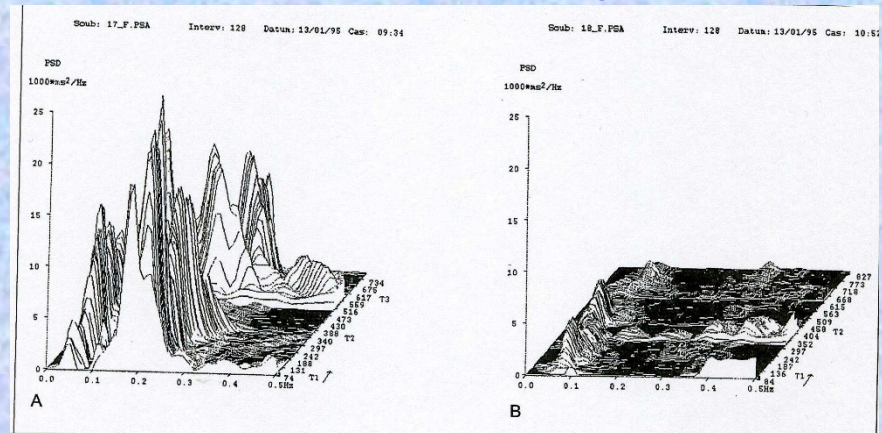
# ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY

- **HOLTER MONITORING**
- 24-hour ECG record



✓ *estimation of heart rate variability*

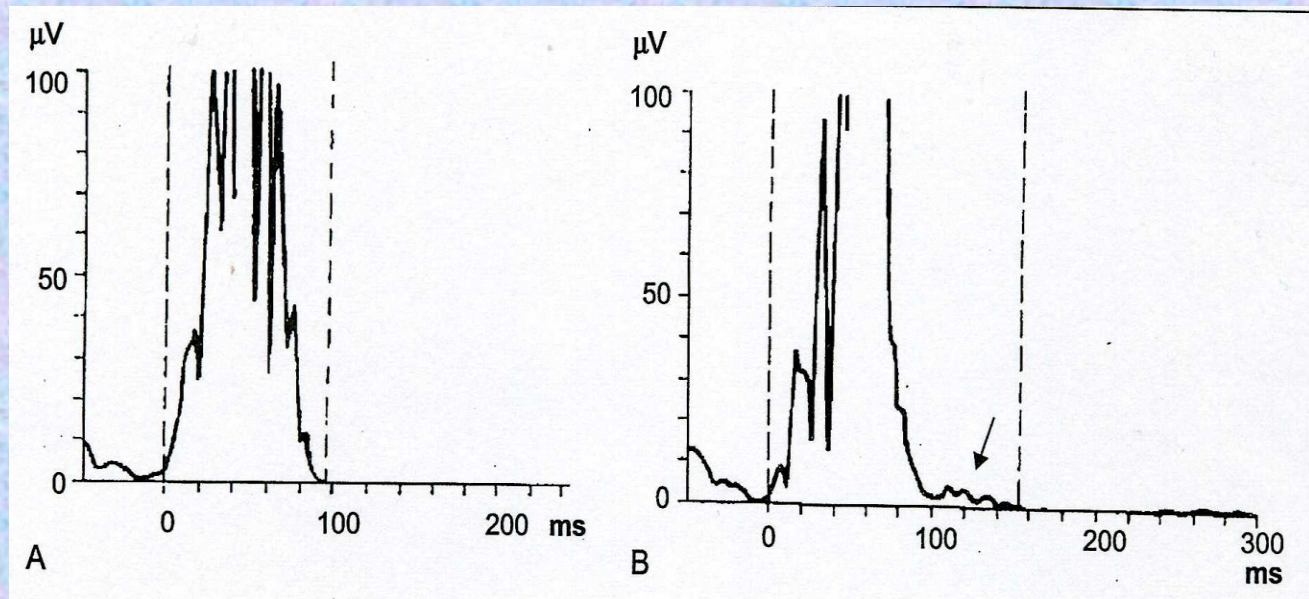
- time analysis
- spectral analysis



# ELECTROCARDIOGRAPY

- **HOLTER MONITORING**

✓ *late potentials*





# Reveal - implantable recorder

**Patient Activator and  
Reveal® Plus ILR**



**Medtronic CareLink®  
Programmer**



- small device, without electrodes
- recorder of ECG during syncope
  - activation by patients
  - or autoactivation
- continuously monitoring 36 month, 42 min episodes at memory
- simple implantation, simple evaluation.

# BLOOD PRESSURE MEASUREMENT



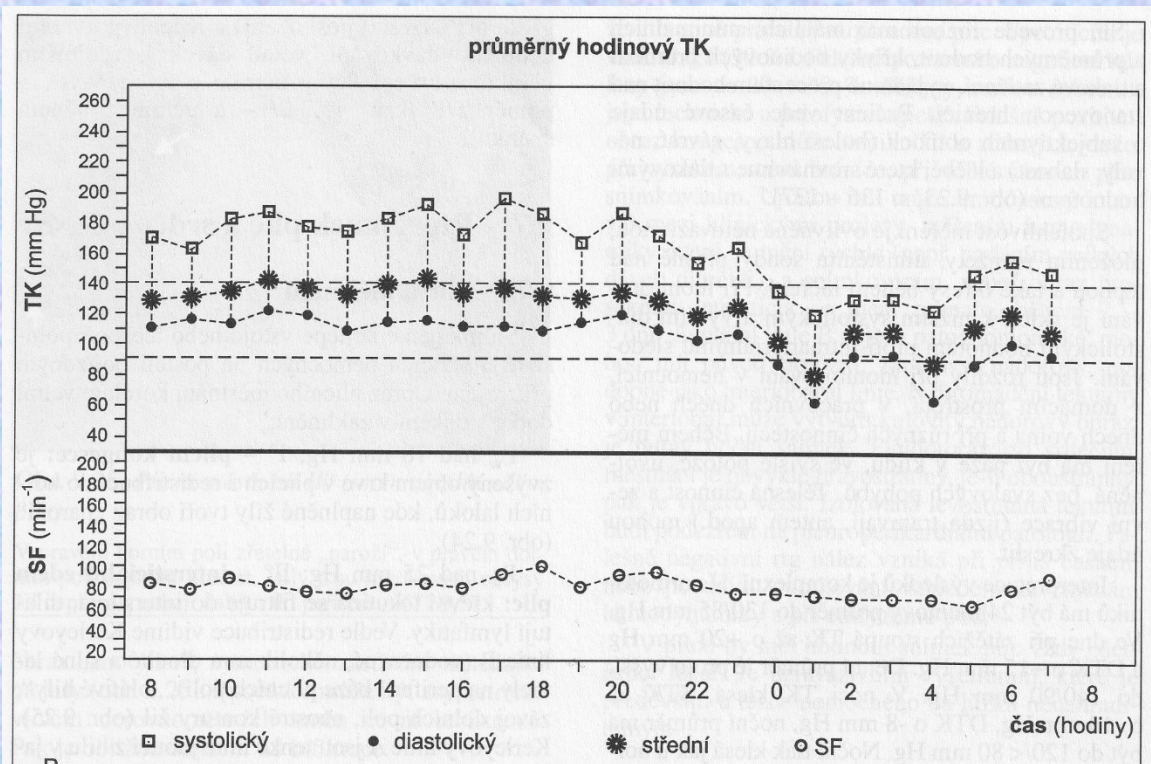
**AUSCULTATORY METHOD**

**OSCILOMETRIC METHOD**



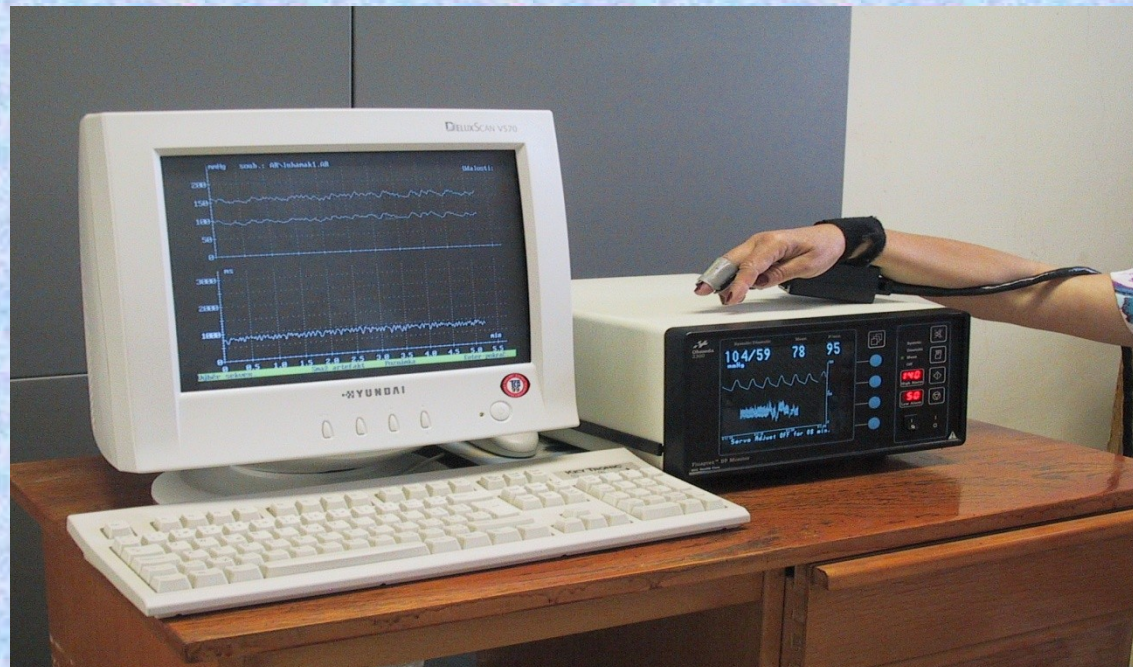
# BLOOD PRESSURE MEASUREMENT

- **AMBULATORY BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING - ABPM**



# BLOOD PRESSURE MEASUREMENT

- continuously beat-to-beat measurement
- Peñáz principle - photoplethysmography

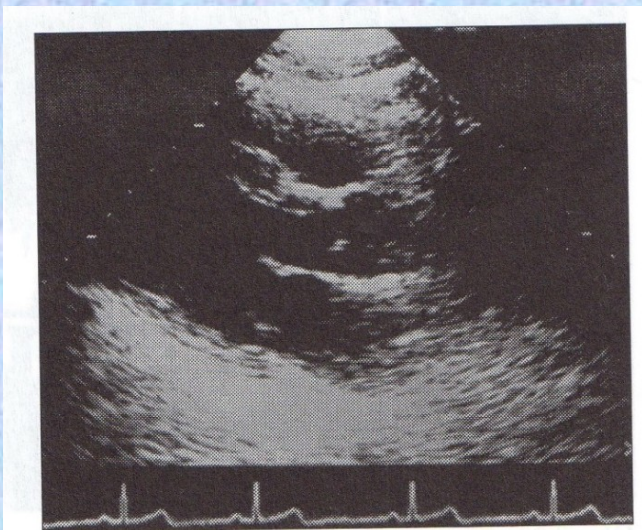
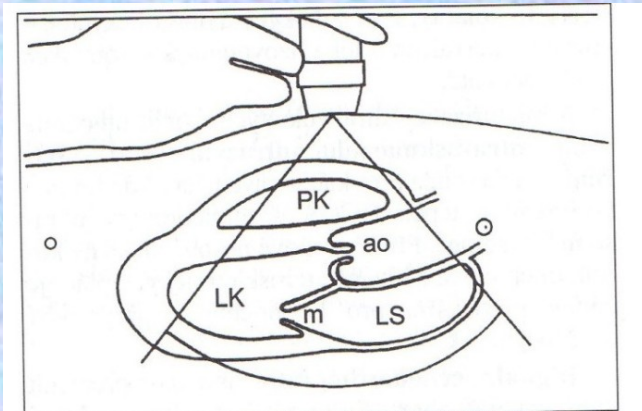


- We need than **pressure in the cuff corresponded to the pressure of the digital artery**
- **Method: photoplethysmography**
- Recorded photoelectric plethysmogram
- The new term: **Transmural pressure** –  $P_t$  (the pressure across the wall of the artery)
- BP,  $P_c$  (pressure in cuff),  $P_t$
- We estimated:  **$BP = P_c - - - P_t = 0 - - -$**   
 photoplethysmogram registered the highest amplitude of oscillation --  
 - we measure the **MAP**
- **Step by step** increase of  $P_c$ , in the moment of the highest amplitude – **feed-back loop** started for obtained(keeping) the constant volume of the finger

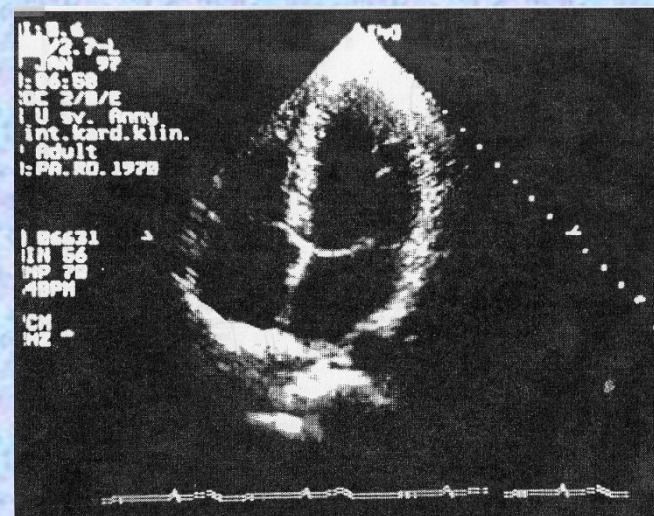
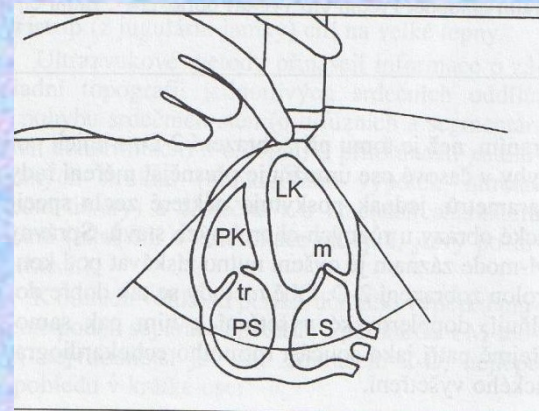
# ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY

most widespread methods

## PARASTERNAL LONG-AXIS VIEW

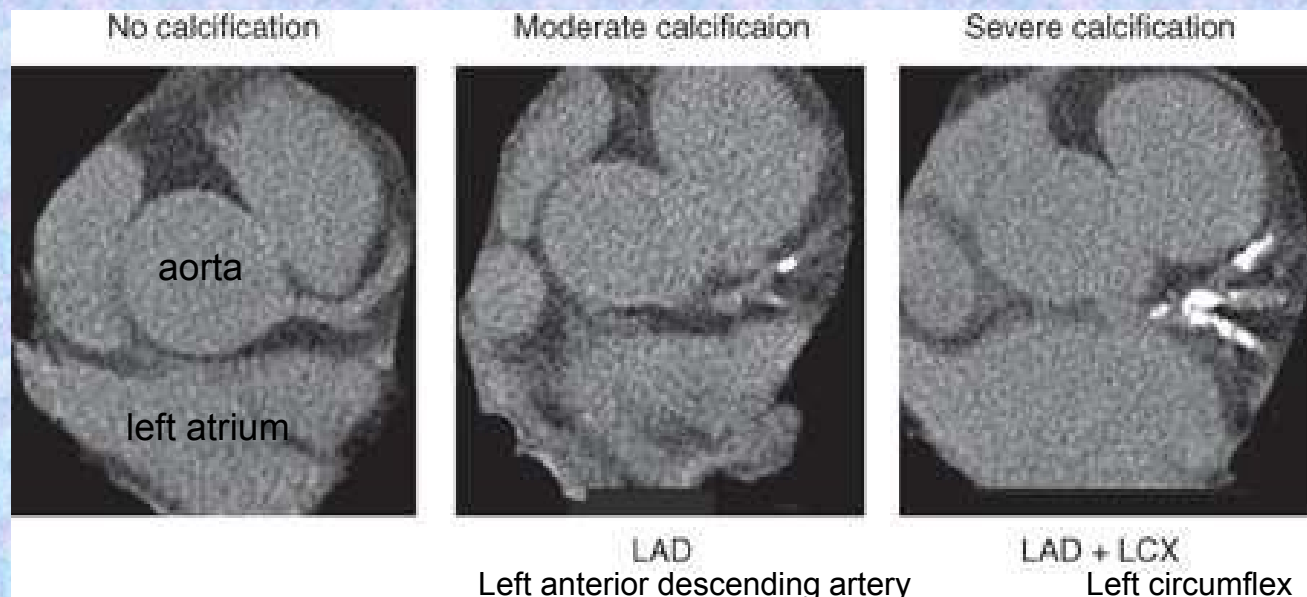


## APICAL VIEW



# COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY

- CT is a fast, simple, noninvasive technique that provides images of the myocardium and great vessels;
- CT uses x-rays to create tomographic slices of objects-this is accomplished by rotating an x-ray beam around the object and measuring the transmission of x-rays through the object at many angles, called projections

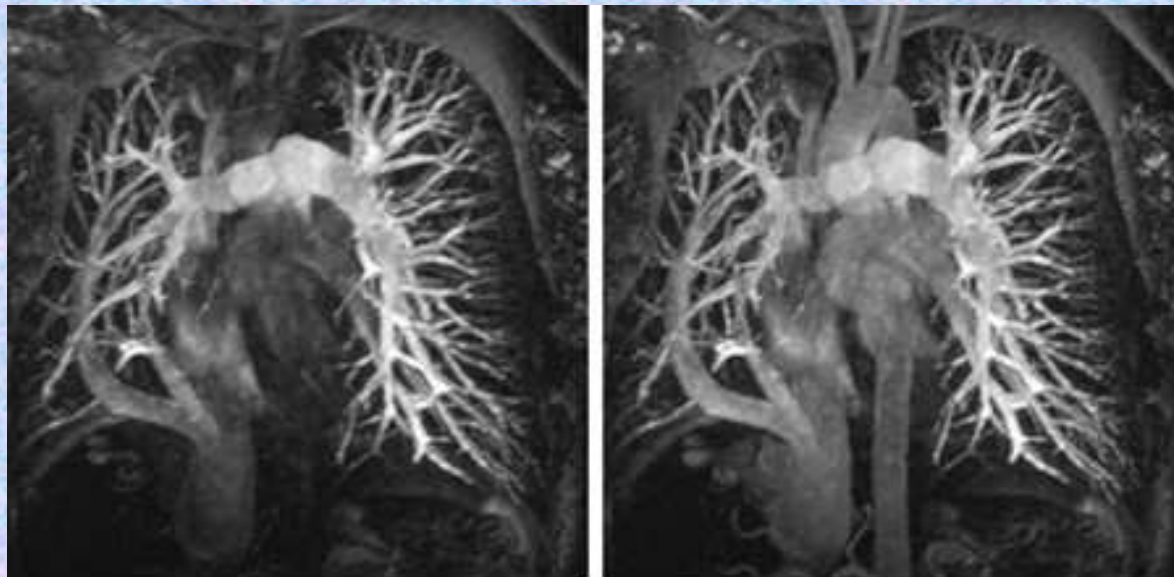


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# MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING

- Based on the magnetic properties of hydrogen nuclei
- Used to quantify accurately EF, ESV, EDV, cardiac mass
- Without the need for ionizing radiation



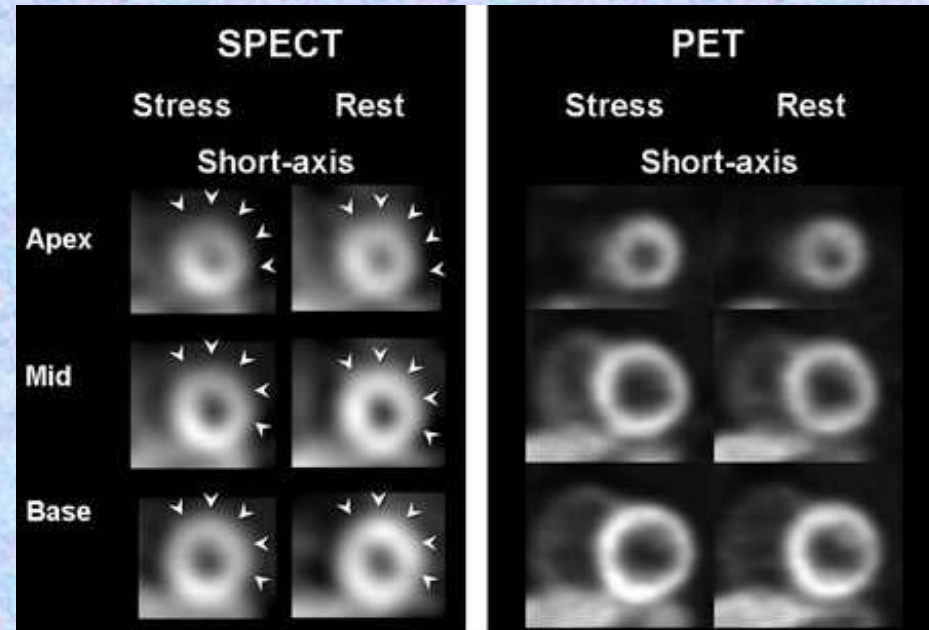
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# NUCLEAR CARDIOLOGY

- Nuclear (or radionuclid) imaging requires intravenous administration of isotopes
- Single photon emission computed tomography  
SPECT and positron emission tomography  
PET



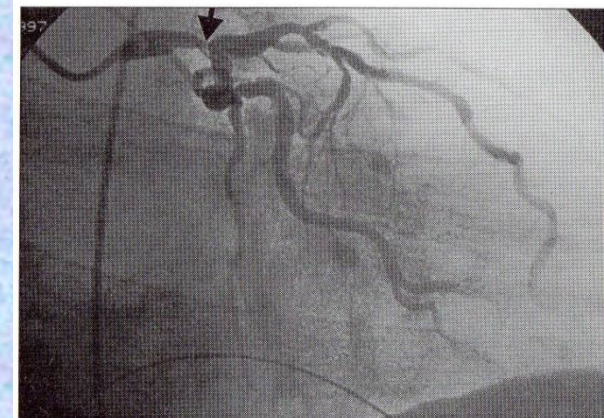
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# INVASIVE TECHNIQUES

- **CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION**
- ***Right heart catheterization*** – uses a balloon-tipped flotation catheter that is inserted into the **femoral or jugular vein**. Using fluoroscopic guidance, the catheter is advanced to the *right atrium - right ventricle – pulmonary artery* and *pulmonary wedge position* (as a surrogate for left atrial pressure = wedge pressure)

# INVASIVE TECHNIQUE

- **CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION**
- ***Left heart catheterization*** – with the aid of fluoroscopy, the catheter is guided to ascending *aorta* – across the aortic valve into *left ventricle* (inserted into a.femoralis, a.axillaris, a.brachialis)
- A needle-tipped catheter to puncture the atrial septum during right heart catheterization
- **+ *coronary angiography***



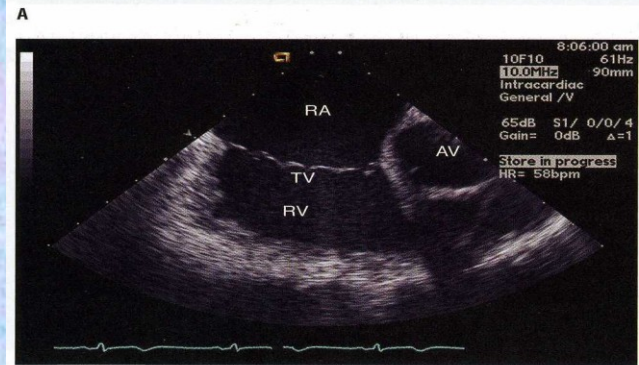
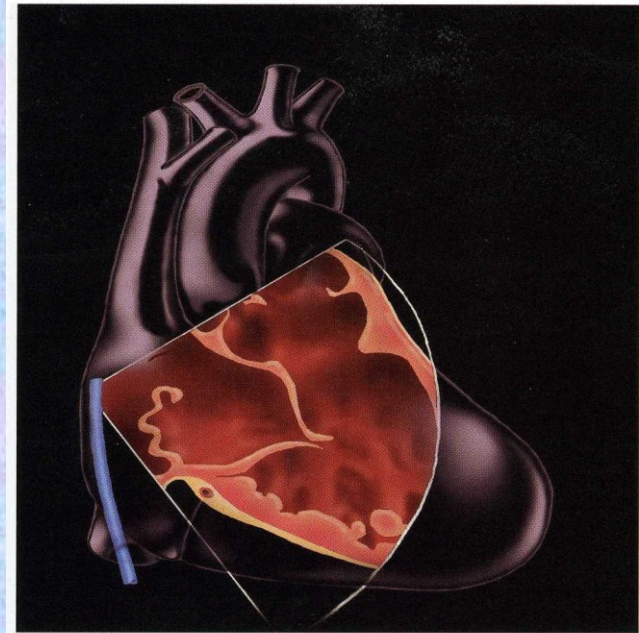
# INVASIVE TECHNIQUE

- How do we use cardiac catheterization?
  - ✓ Pressure measurement
  - ✓ Blood flow measurement
  - ✓ Biopsy of tissue
  - ✓ Blood samples for oxygen-saturation analysis to screen for intracardiac shunts
  - ✓ Electric potentials measurement

# Intracardiac Echocardiography

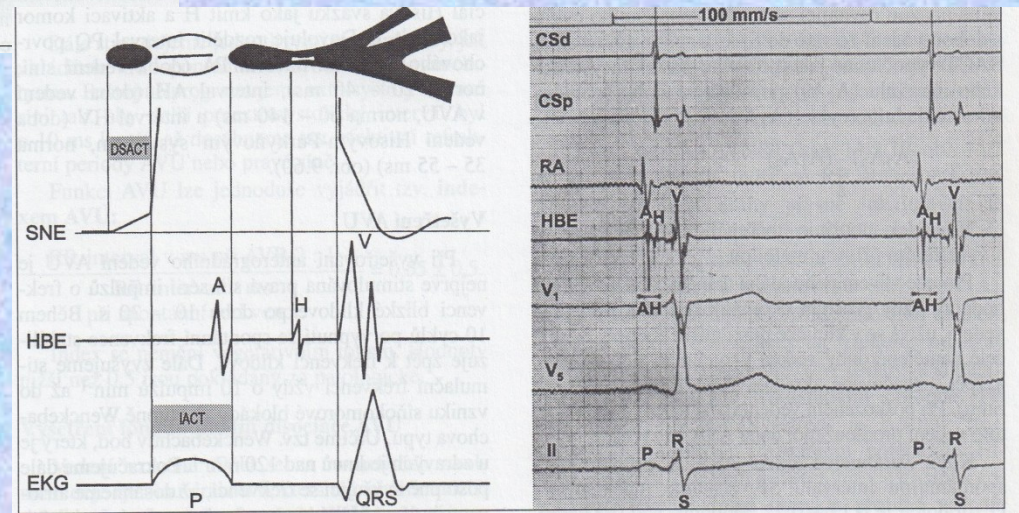
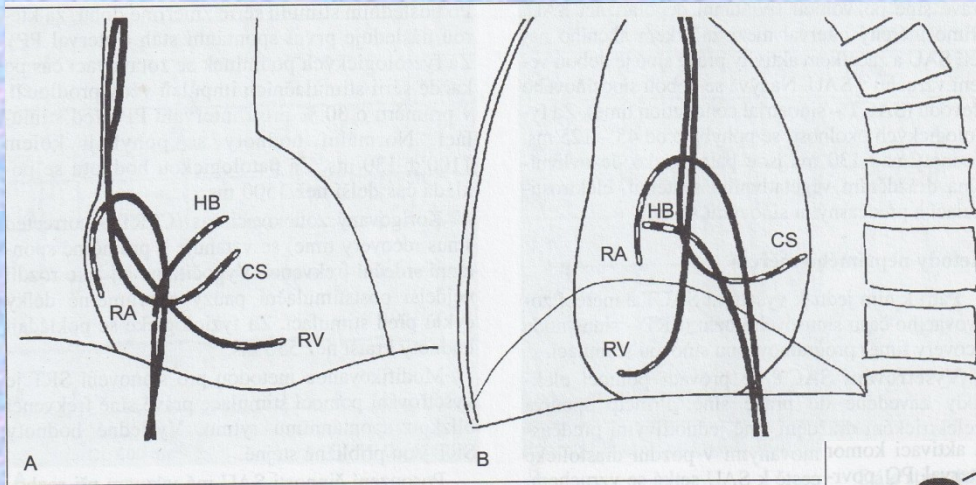
Is an intravascular ultrasound modality that provides diagnostic imaging of cardiac structures from within the heart.

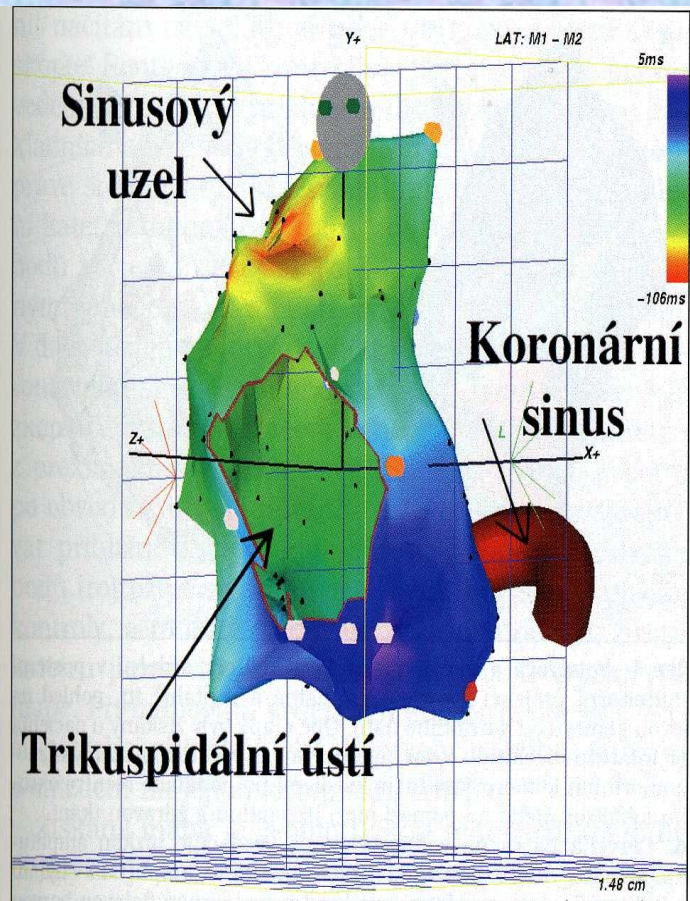
The first catheters used high frequency transducers (20-40 MHz) containing a single ultrasound crystal that rapidly rotated at the end of catheter



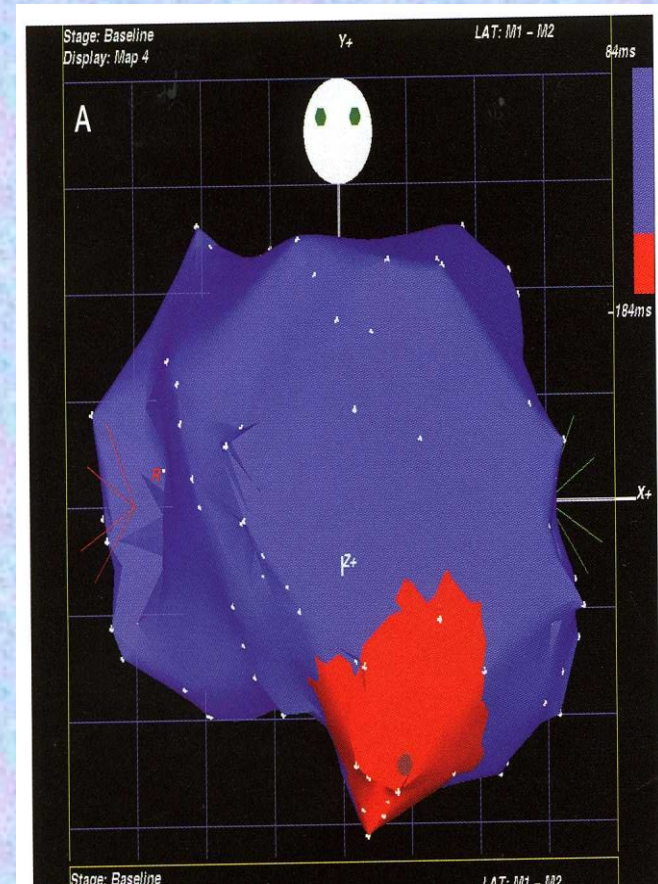
# INVASIVE TECHNIQUE

- ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY EXAMINATION

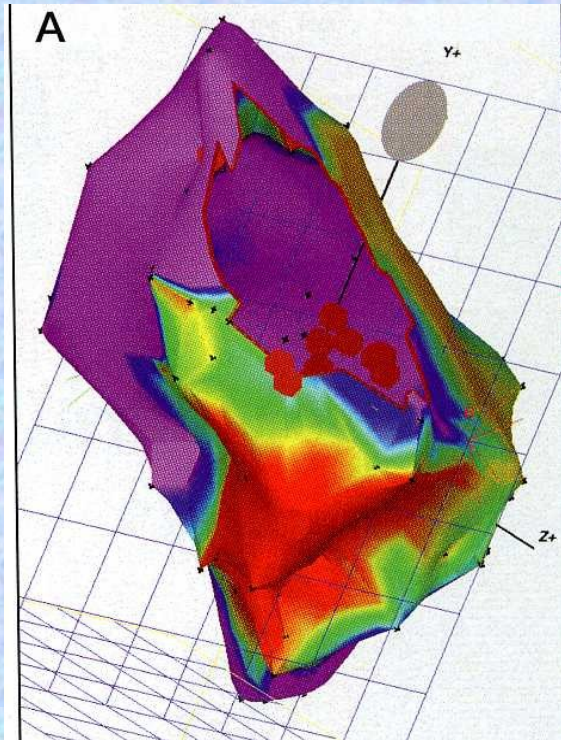




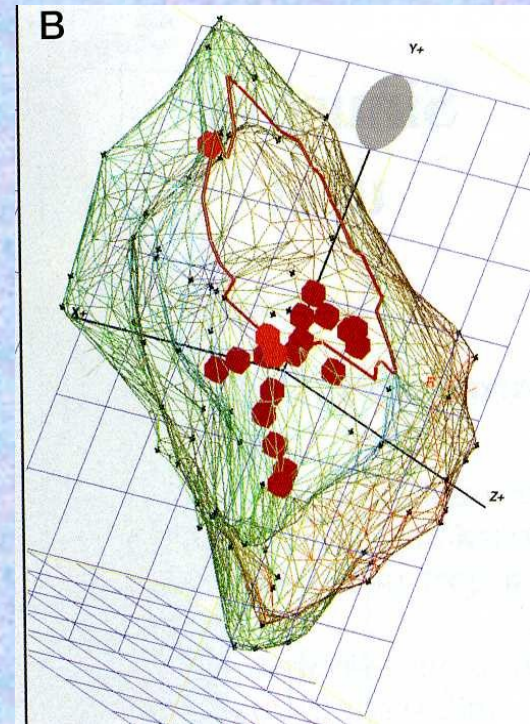
Activation map - Activation map of right atrium in left sloping projection - Sinus rhythm



Activation propagation map - propagation of left ventricular map



Voltage map – red color – places with a lower voltage, violet – healthy myocardium



Voltage map in network design – visibility of the catheter



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