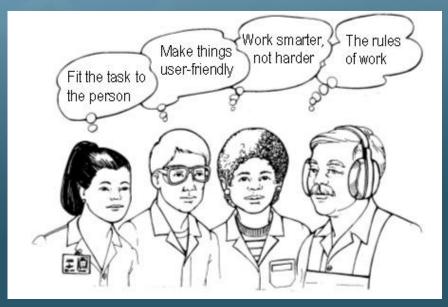


# What is Ergonomics?

- **ERGO** = "work"
- > NOMICS = "rules" or "laws"

از نظر لغوی ارگونومی به معنی اصول و قوانین انجام کار است



# ار کونومی چیست

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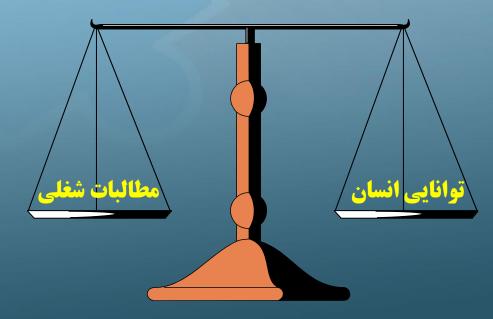


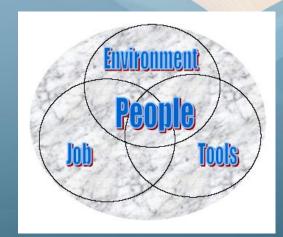
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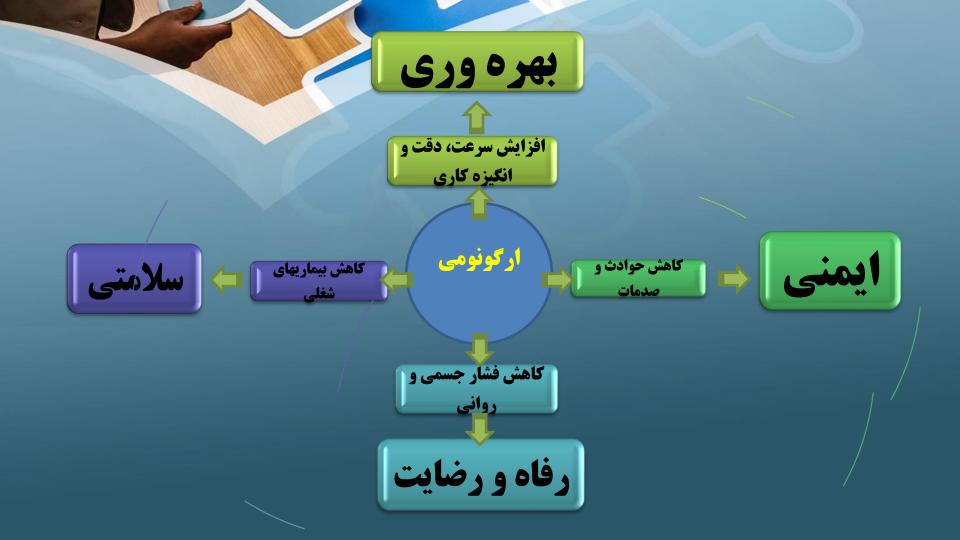
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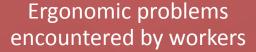


# تمرکز علم ارکونومی









#### Consequences

- Musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs)
- **Stress**
- 💥 fatigue

- KReduced well-being
- Increased absenteeism, employee turnover, compensation costs
- **##** Early retirement
- :: errors
- Social/family conflicts

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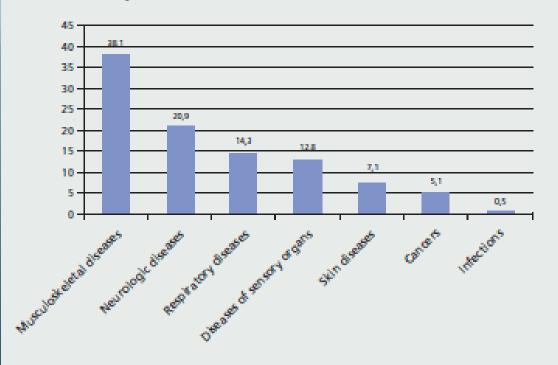


- ناراحتی و نارضایتی
- افزایش احتمال بروز حوادث و صدمات
  - افزایش خستگی
  - ا افزایش احتمال وقوع خطا
  - شیوع انواع بیماری های مرتبط با کار
- افت كيفيت (كاربرد محصولات / ارائه خدمات)
  - افت کارایی و بهره وری

Q. Why is ergonomics so important?

R. High Incidence of MSDs in workers

Figure 1: Proportion of occupational diseases in 12 EU member states according to the European Occupational Diseases Statistics obligatory list 2005



Source: OSH In figures: Work-related musculoskeletal disorders in the EU – Facts and figures, European Agency for Safety and Health at Work, 2010

### Percentage of workers reporting MSDs in the past 12 months, by sector, EU-28, 2015

	Backache	Upper limb disorders	Lower limb disorders
Agriculture, forestry, fishing	60%	56%	46%
Water supply	53%	49%	40%
Construction	52%	54%	41%
Human health and social work activities	47%	46%	31%
All	46%	43%	30%

Source: Panteia based on the European Working Conditions Survey (EWCS) 2015

## What are Musculoskeletal Disorders (MSDs)?

MSDs affect ligaments, muscles, tendons, cartilage, blood vessels & nerves & spinal discs

#### Acute:

A sudden or one-time traumatic event or incident, e.g., slip, trip, fall or car wreck

#### **Chronic or Cumulative:**

Injuries that occur over a <u>period of time</u> (months/years) & are caused by a <u>combination</u> of risk factors

### **Some Common MSDs**

- Strains and Sprains (neck, back, shoulder)
- Low Back Pain & Sciatica
- Bulging or Herniated Spinal Discs
- **Carpal Tunnel Syndrome**

- Tendinitis & Tenosynivitis (upper extremities)
- Epicondylitis (Tennis Elbow/Golfer's elbow)
- **Rotator Cuff Tear (shoulder)**
- **SECOND SECOND S**

# علل اختلالات اسكلتي -عضلاني

عوامل فیزیکی و بیومکانیکی

عوامل روانی اجتماعی



عوامل فردى

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عوامل رواني اجتماعي



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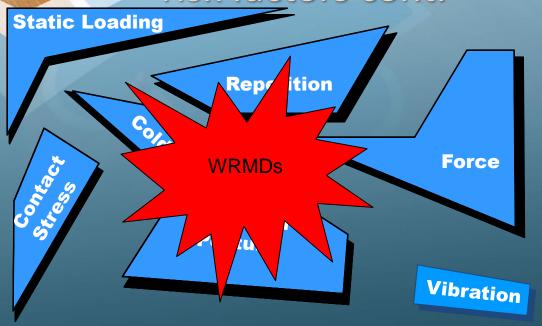
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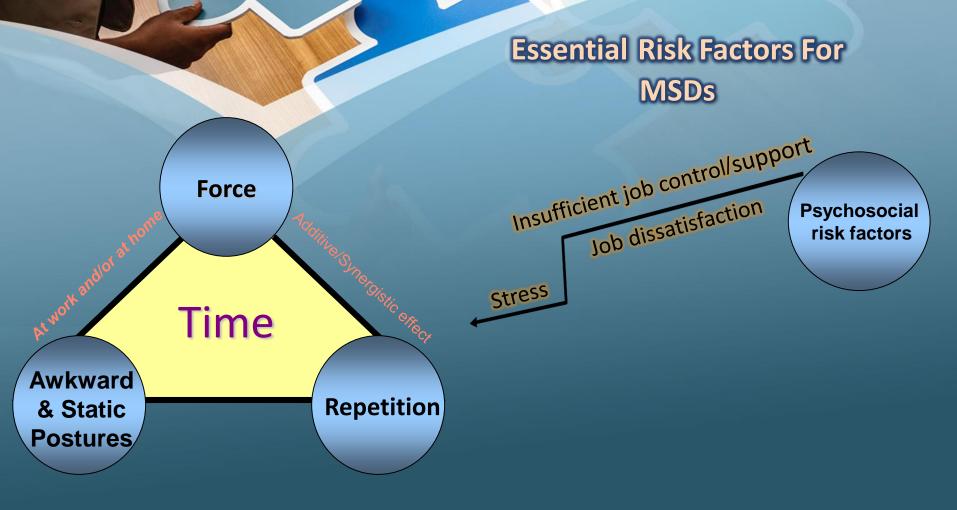
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# Physical task demands & risk factors cont.



#### Risk of injury increases with:

- Prolonged exposure to any of these ergonomic risk factors
- Presence of multiple risk factors within a single job task



### **Awkward Posture & MSDs**

#### **Definition:**

Position of the body when performing physical tasks. Assuming positions that place strain on the body (leaning over a bed, kneeling or twisting the trunk while lifting) is the frequency of the same (series of) movements.

Awkward postures cause biomechanical stress to joints and surrounding soft tissues. Strength to the body part is decreased accelerating muscle fatigue and increasing risk of injury.

## Awkward Posture & MSDs

#### **Awkward Postures include:**

- Bending
- Twisting
- Reaching overhead

- Kneeling
- Squatting
- Pinch grips



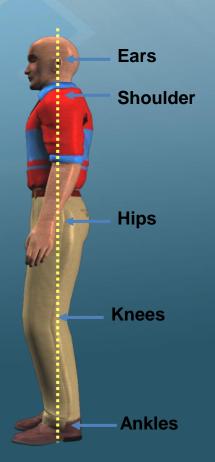




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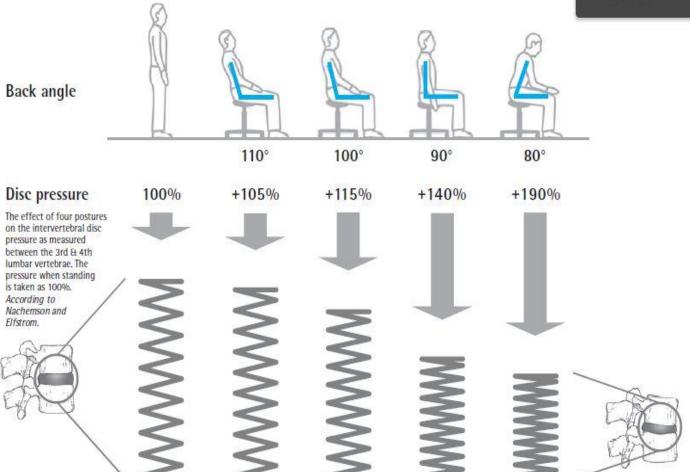
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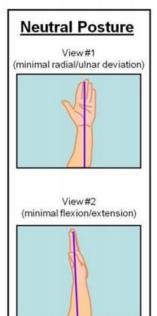


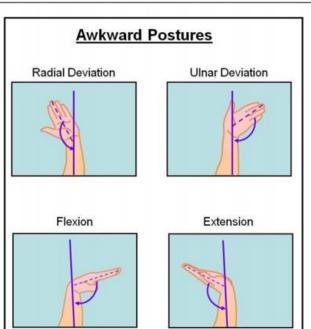
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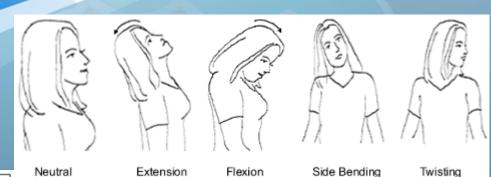


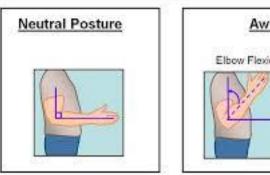


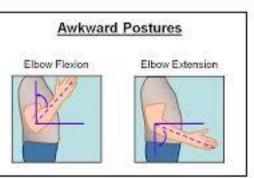
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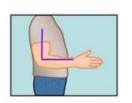


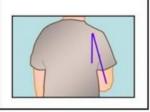




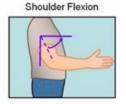
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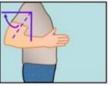




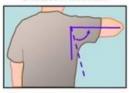
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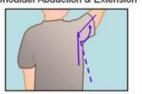




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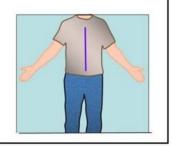


Shoulder Abduction & Extension



#### **Neutral Posture**





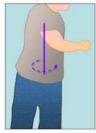


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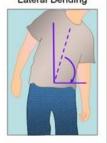


Back Extension

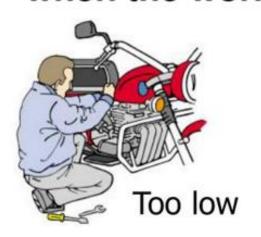
Twisting about Waist



Lateral Bending



# Awkward postures happen when the work is:

















## Awkward Posture & MSDs: Examples











### **Static or Fixed Postures & MSDs**

#### **Definition:**

Postures or work positions that are held for a period of time

Blood supply reduced to muscles muscle fatigue

## Static or Fixed Postures & MSDs: Examples

- Prolonged standing or sitting
- Performing tasks with static awkward posture for a few minutes or longer







### **Force and MSDs**

#### **Definition:**

Amount of physical exertion or muscular effort expended when performing a task or activity such as lifting, pushing, pulling, carrying or gripping tools or equipment

The greater the force exerted and/or sustained over time accelerates muscle fatigue and increases risk of injury



## Force and MSDs: examples









## **Repetitions and MSDs**

#### **Definition:**

Performing the same motion over and over again or the frequency of the same (series of) movements

#### Example:



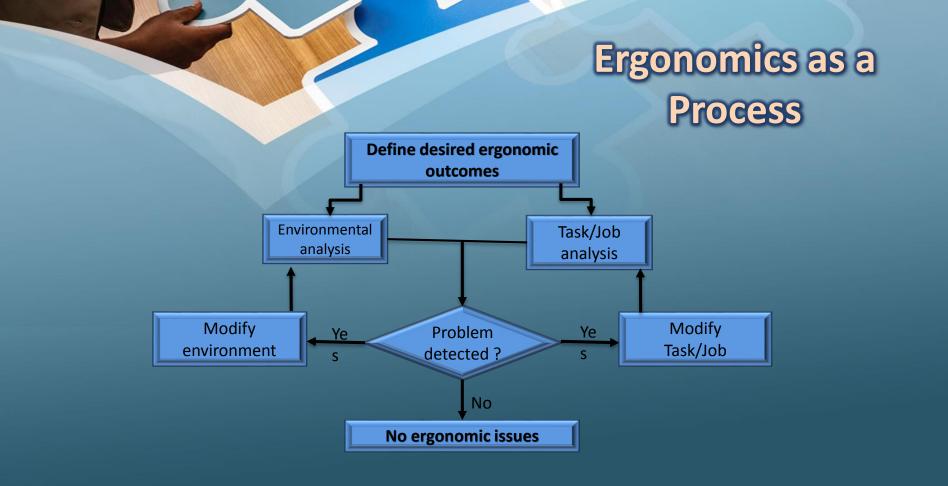












# Ergonomics program

Engineering controls

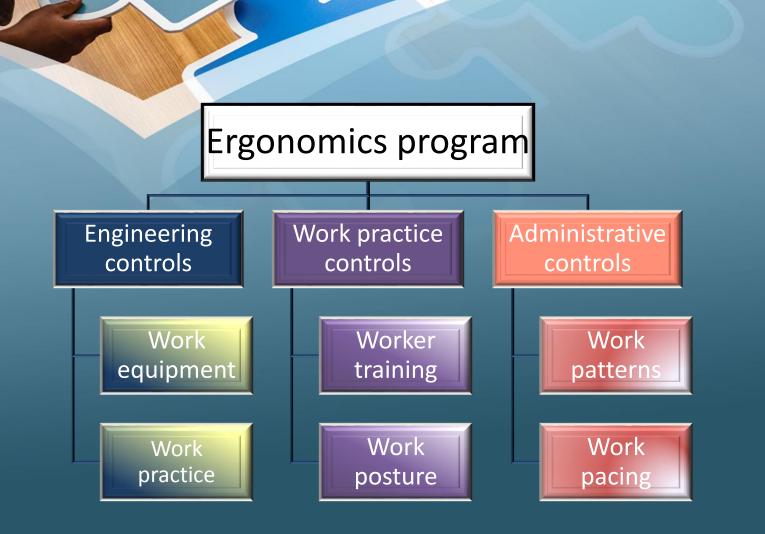
Work practice controls

Administrative controls









## **Preventing MSDs**



### **Engineering Controls**

Eliminate or reduce primary risk factors

e.g., Use robots and/or cobots for reducing repetition, force exertion or awkward postures









### **Work Practice Controls**

Reduce employee exposure to primary risk factors by using best work methods, e.g.,

- Plan work organization
- Use good housekeeping practices
- Use adjustments on equipment
- Get help
- Eliminate unnecessary movements
- Don't use broken equipment

## **Preventing MSDs**



### **Work Practice Controls**

- Use neutral or good body postures
  - Neutral postures reduce physical stress on musculoskeletal structures and enable optimum blood flow to the musculoskeletal system.
  - Your body is in the strongest and most balanced position.

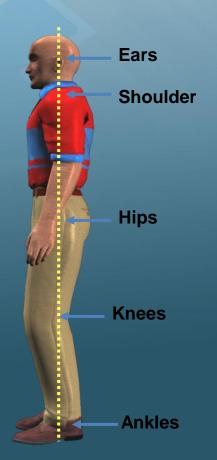
#### **Example:**

Work at proper heights & keep everything in easy reach

## **Neutral Standing Posture**

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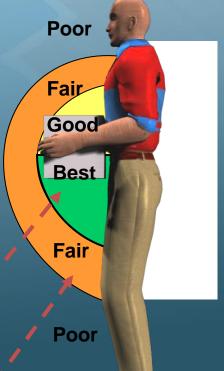
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# Optimal Work Height & Reach Envelopes



Primary Secondary



## **Preventing MSDS**



### **Administrative Controls**

Reduce employee exposure to primary risk factors, e.g.,

- Ergonomics training
- Policy & procedures that define good work practices
- Job rotation
- Staffing and overtime practices

