# **Enhanced force measurement**

### The Problem

In general, objects are curved, or deform when forces are applied to them, as in the case in for example a footfall, and thus there are non-normal components of force. Conventional force plates only measure the

normal force.

### The Solution

This technology is a system and method of simultaneously measuring the magnitude and direction of three components of force.





Figure showing direction and magnitude of contact pressure between a rigid material (left) and an elastically deformed material (right).

# **Applications**

- Foot force analysis
- Tire contact analysis

### **Benefits**

- Full vectorial force measurement
- Shear measurement
- Dynamic measurement

# **Keywords**

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# **Opportunity**

- Licensing
- Collaborative research

### **Patent protection**

This technology is protected by an International Patent Application: PCT/JP2015/002802.

### For more information

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