

The Quadrant of Boom Part 2

Sprint momentum and hamstring strength

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Athletes with higher sprint momentum have a **performance-injury trade-off**.

In collision sports, greater sprint momentum is associated with:



Improved ability to **deliver and withstand contact** during tackles.

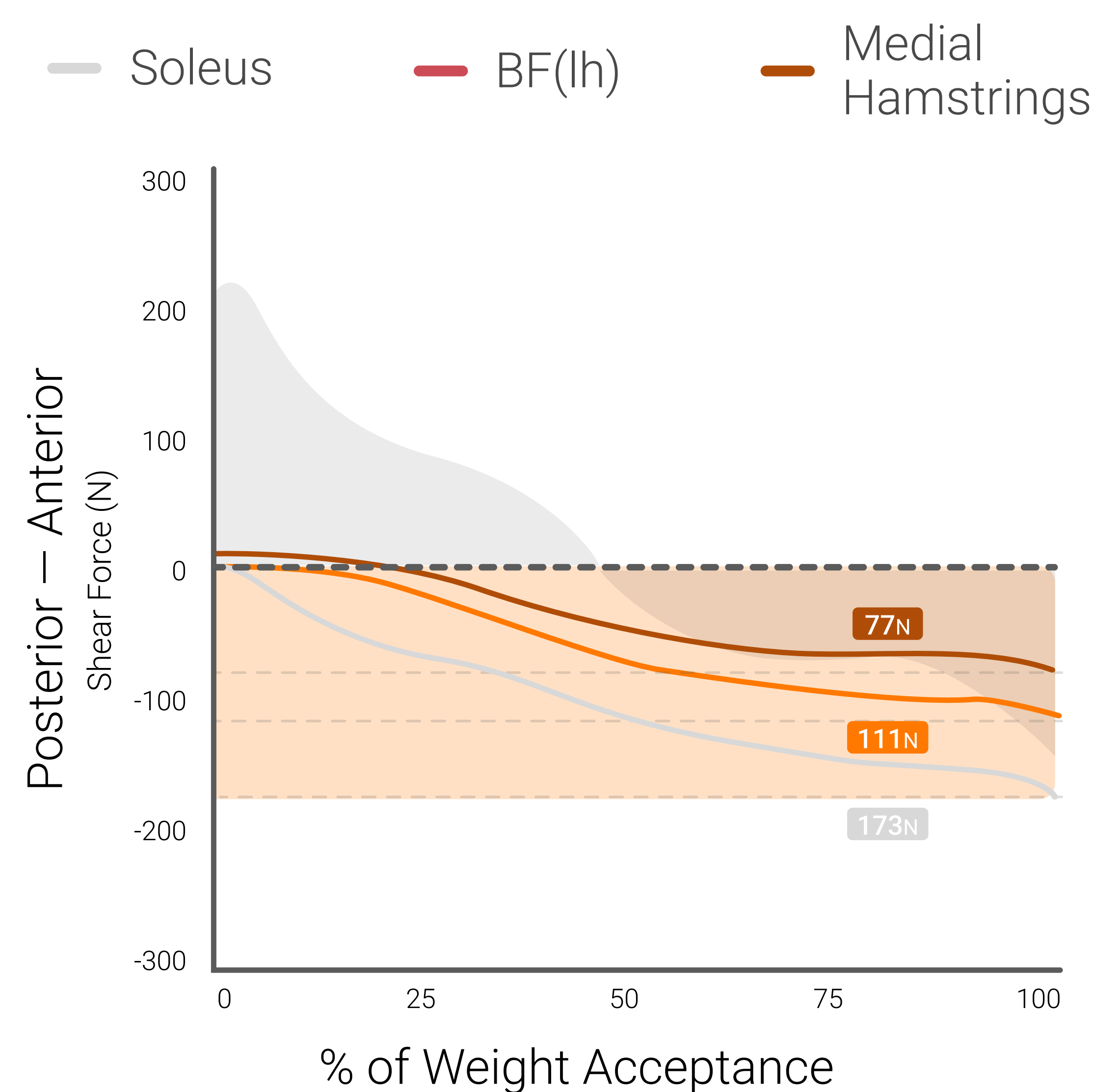


Greater forces during sprinting, potentially increasing **contact and non-contact injury risk**.

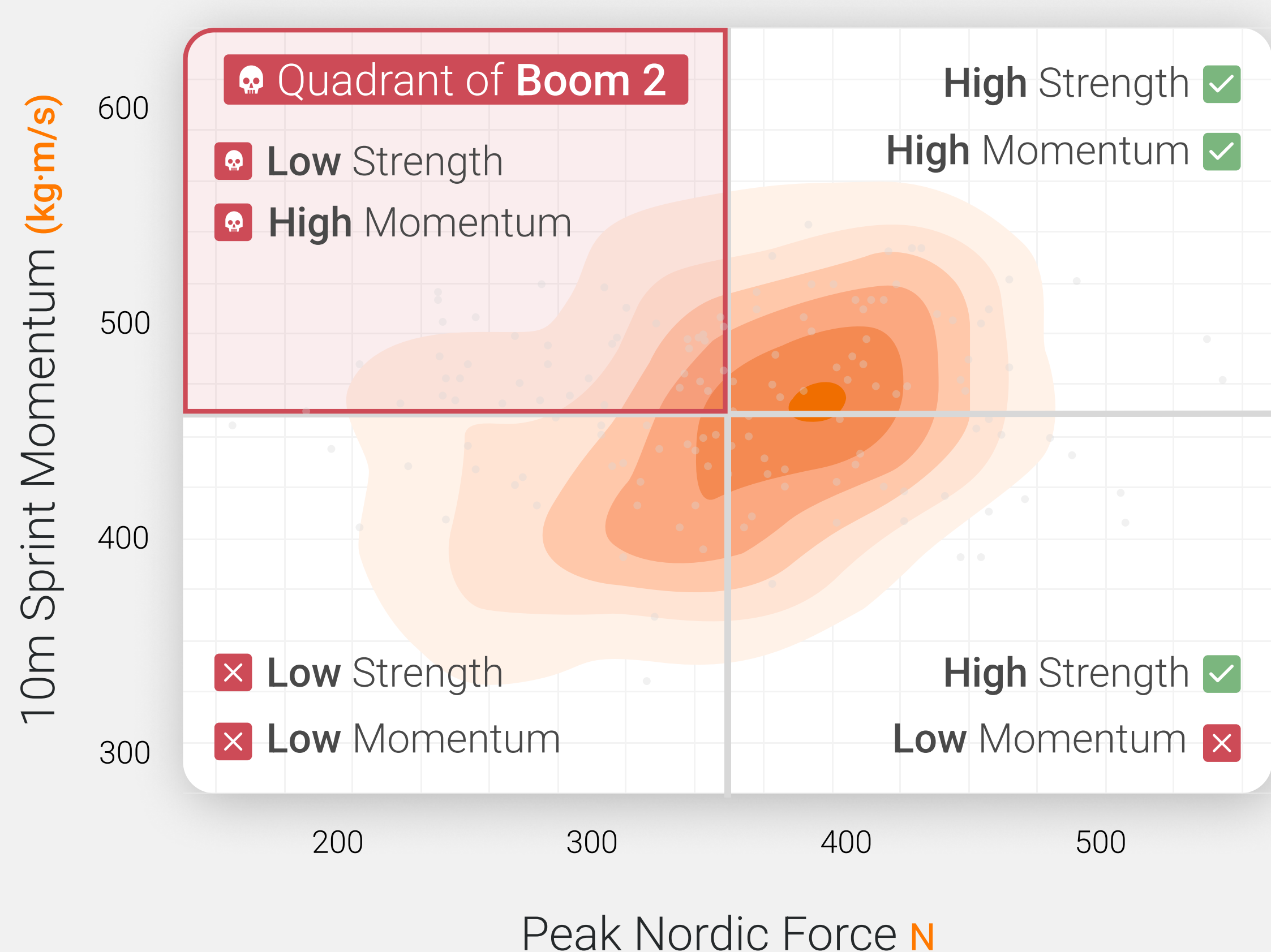


Greater sprinting momentum requires **greater levels of impulse and peak force to decelerate**. A lack of deceleration capacity may lead to increased risk of injuries like ACL ruptures.

The hamstrings provide **significant posterior shear force** during side-step cutting, directly opposing anterior tibial translation.



The **Quadrant of Boom 2** is a framework that combines **sprint momentum and eccentric hamstring strength** to assess an athlete's performance and injury risk.



How to calculate **sprint momentum**:

Athlete Body Mass (kg)

×

10m Sprint Speed (m/s)

Reference lines for quadrants can be created from:



Median values from participant data



Research-informed **cutoffs**



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