

Lameness and other things to deal with while doing the stalls?

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What do you see?



What we care
about when
looking at the
cows:

Did she
eat?

Did she
drink?

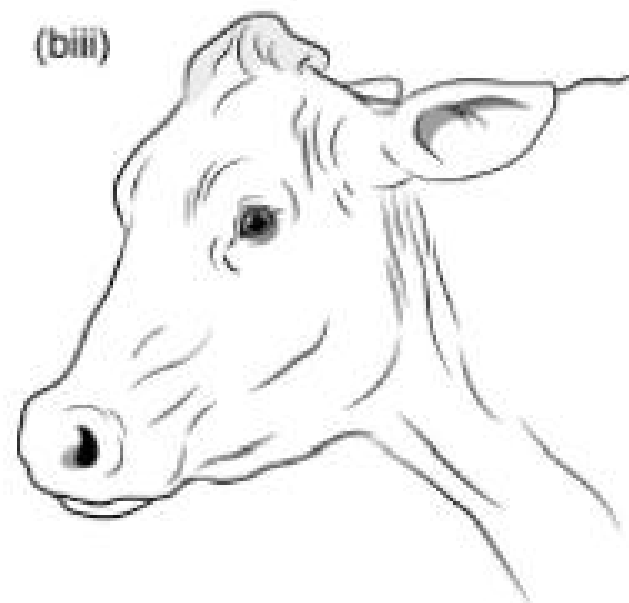
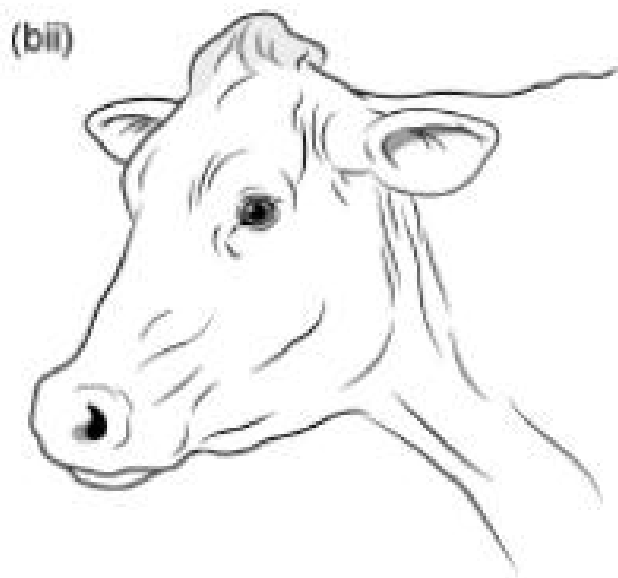
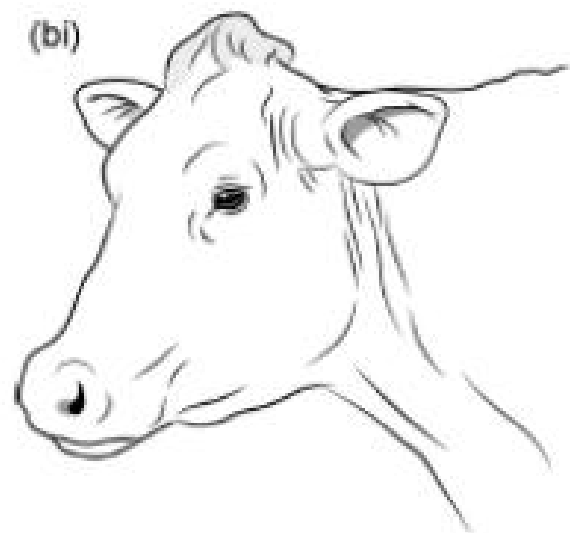
Can she
walk?





Photo credit: Henrik Smidt, Hipra

What to look for: a sad cow face



The nose



Photo credit: private

Body condition score



Photo credit: SDT



Body position



Photo credit: <https://www.dairypesa.com/farming-facts/identifying-sick-cows/>



Warning signs

- Did she eat?



Photocredit: Teaching material, KVL, rumen fill

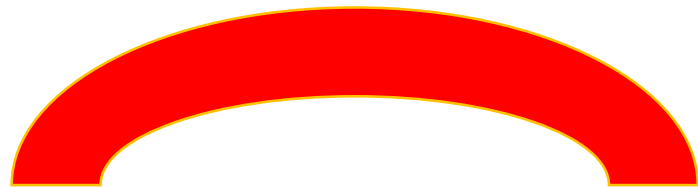
- Look at the rumen – on the LEFT side

Lame?

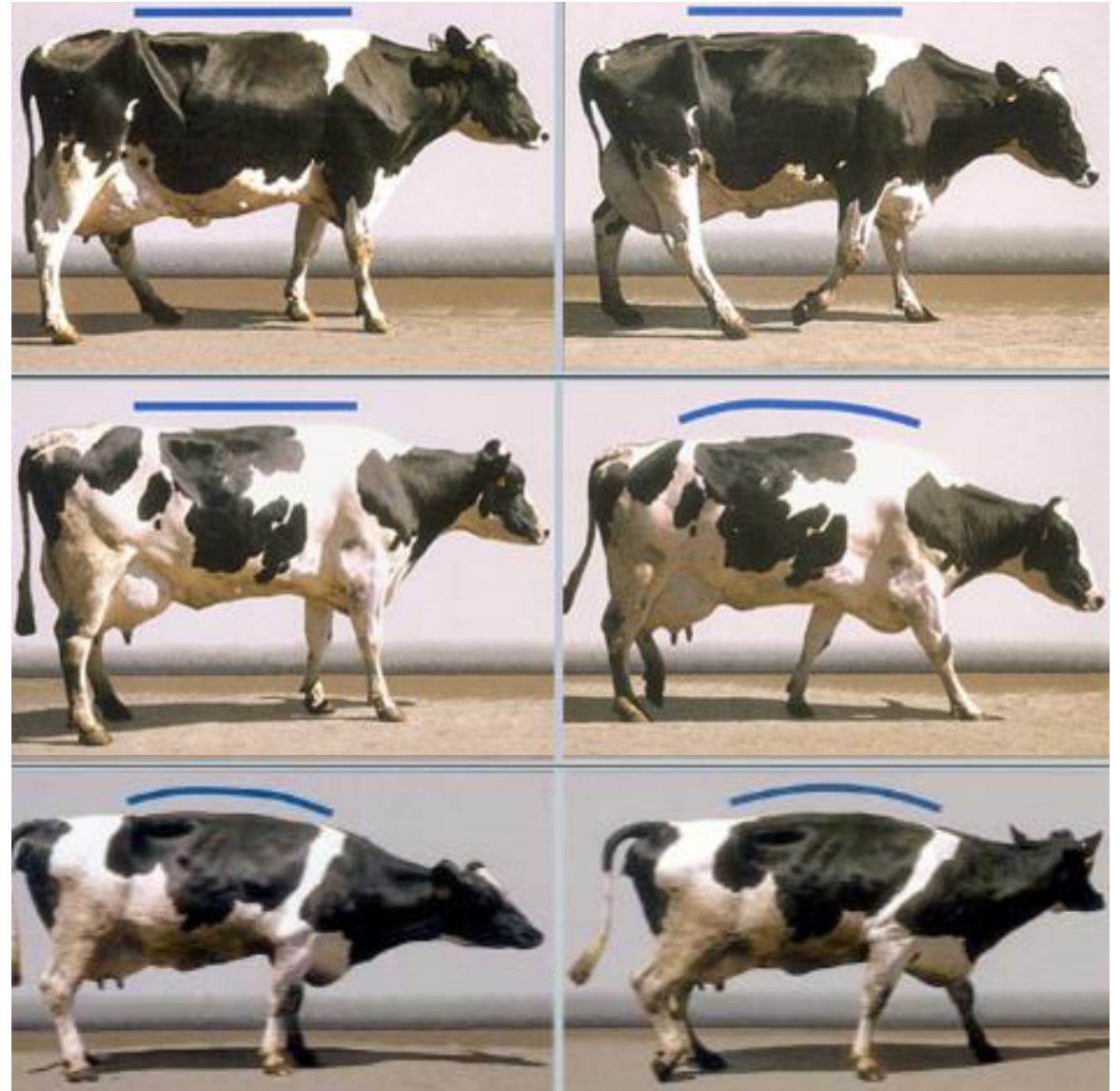


NO

vs.



YES



Source: Locomotion Scoring System (Sprecher et al., 1997). Image: www.zinpro.com



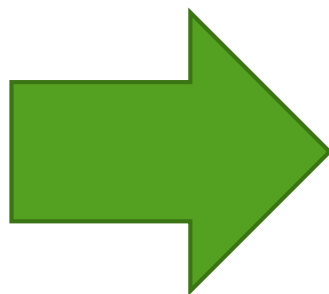
- 38,0-39,0 celcius
- Can be high in relation to calving

Normal temperature?



So what do I do now?

- ▶ Write on board
- ▶ Tell/call/sms manager
- ▶ Separation
- ▶ Check



ACTION