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**Compression of Cake**<sup>1</sup> SARAH NASON<sup>2</sup>, BRITTANY HOUGHTON<sup>3</sup>,  
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— The fall university physics class, at McMurry University, created a compression  
modulus experiment that even high school students could do. The class came up  
with this idea after a Young's modulus experiment which involved stretching wire.  
A question was raised of what would happen if we compressed something else? We  
created our own Young's modulus experiment, but in a more entertaining way. The  
experiment involves measuring the height of a cake both before and after a weight  
has been applied to the cake. We worked to derive the compression modulus by  
applying weight to a cake. In the end, we had our experimental cake and, ate it too!

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