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Articular system II



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Cartilages

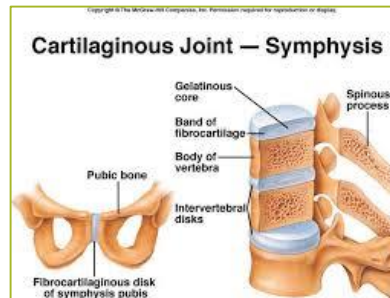
Hyaline

- Has an intercellular matrix rich in hyaluronic acid and mucopolysaccharides, which are natural lubricants
- Forms the articular cartilage in most joints
- Provides the anlage for long bone development



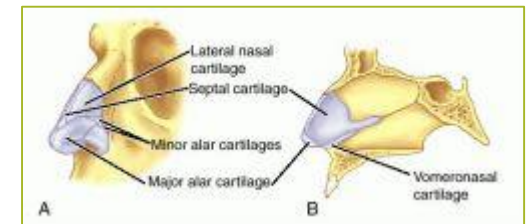
Fibrous

- Has an intercellular matrix rich in mucopolysaccharides and bundles of collagenous fibers
- Mucopolysaccharides provide high water content
- Especially resilient and durable form of cartilage
- Forms most symphyses and joint discs



Elastic

- Has an intercellular matrix rich in mucopolysaccharides and bundles of elastic fibers, which provide a strong, yet flexible, support
- Forms the skeletal structure of external ear and the tip of the nose

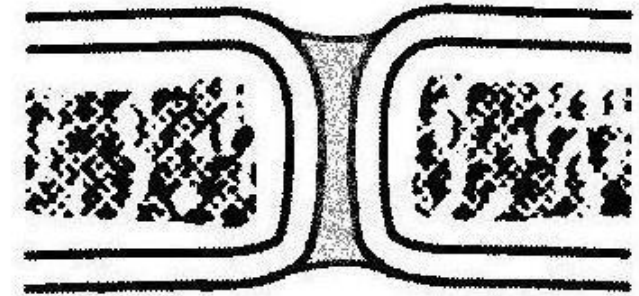


Classification of the joints

1. Synarthrosis

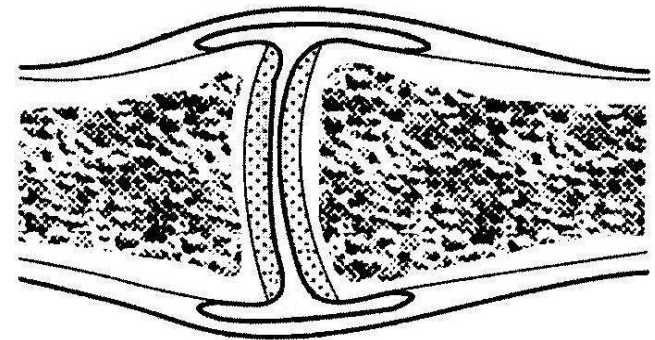
(immovable joint):

- 1) Syndesmosis
- 2) Synchondrosis
- 3) Synostosis



2. Diarthrosis

(synovial joint, joint)



Complexity of the joints

Simple joint

- two articular surfaces



Complex joint

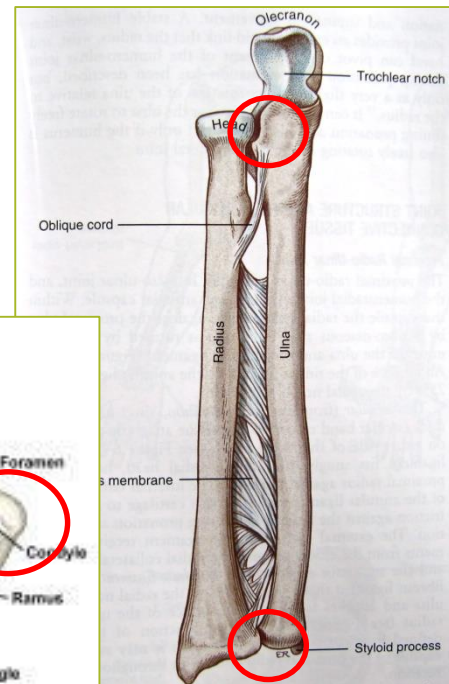
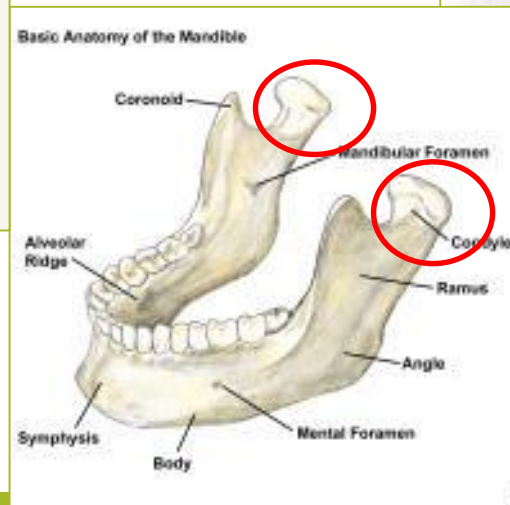
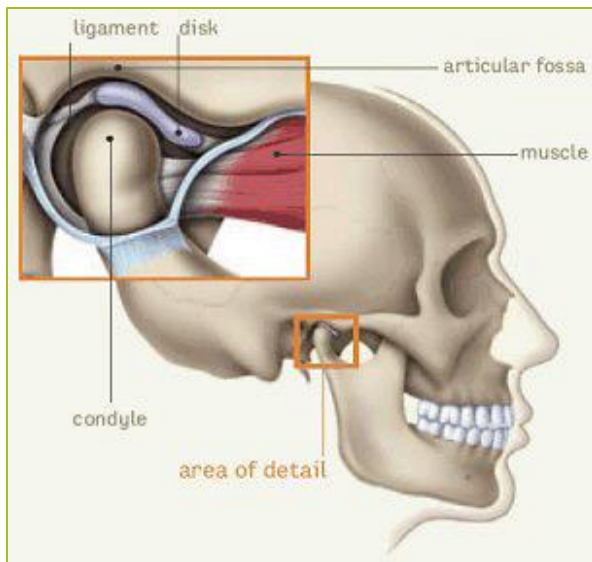
- more than two articular surfaces



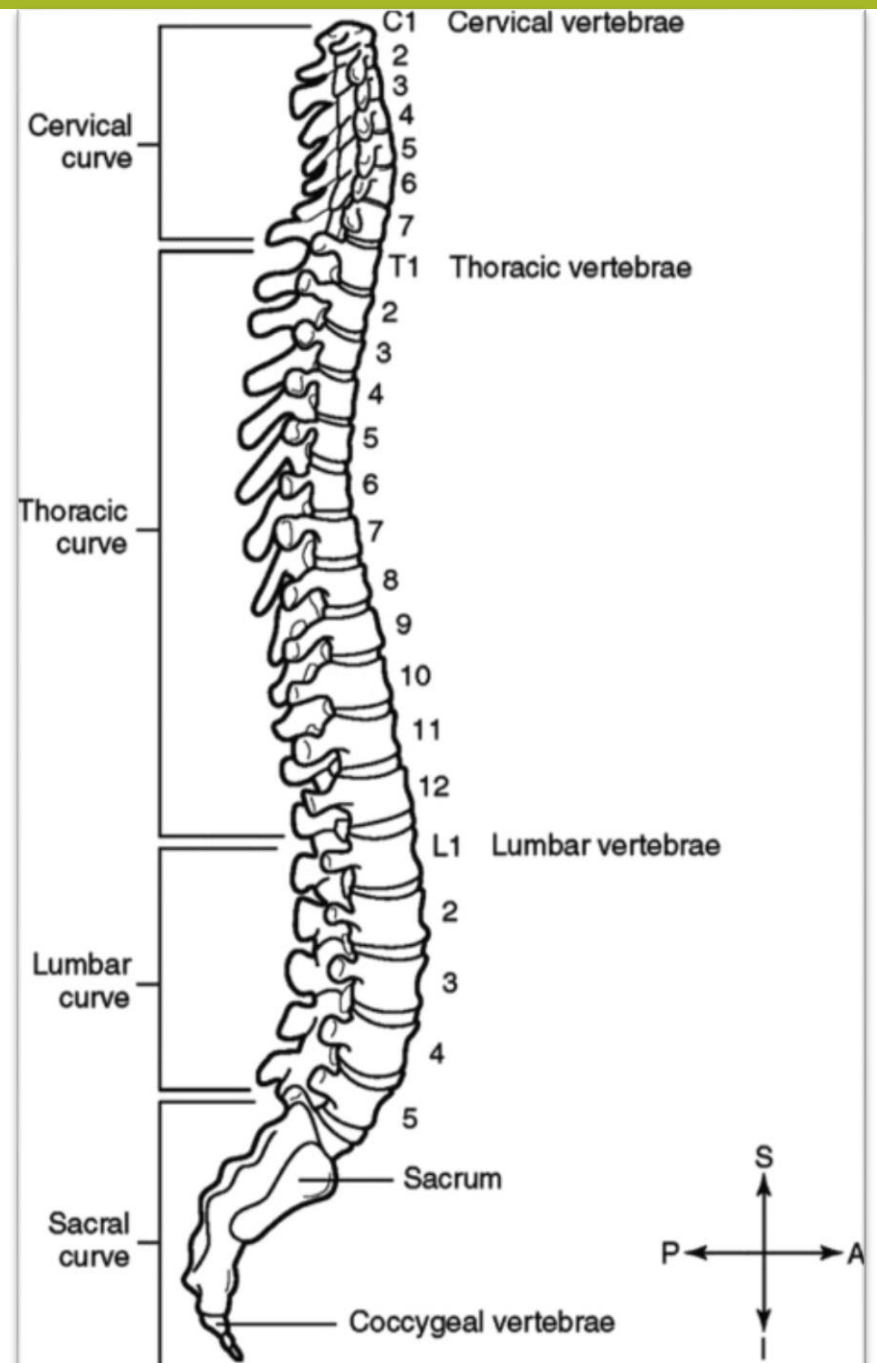
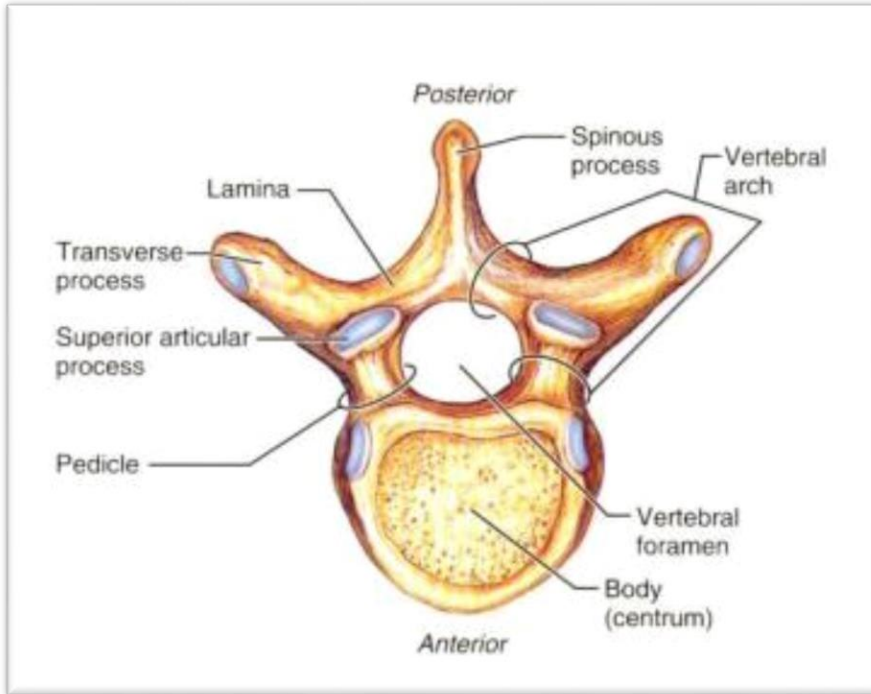
Synovial joints

Combined joint

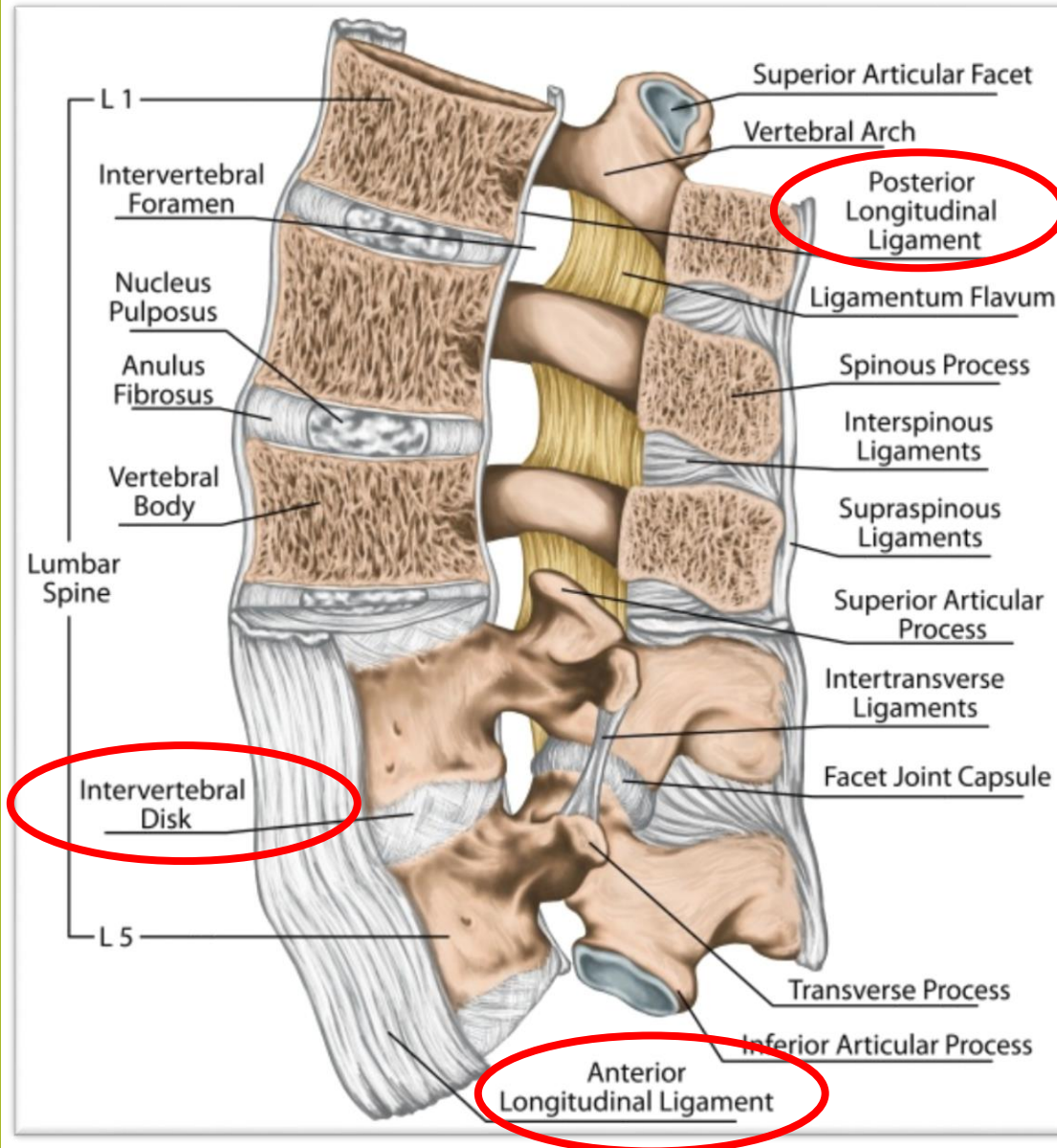
Two anatomically isolated joints move together at the same time



Vertebral column

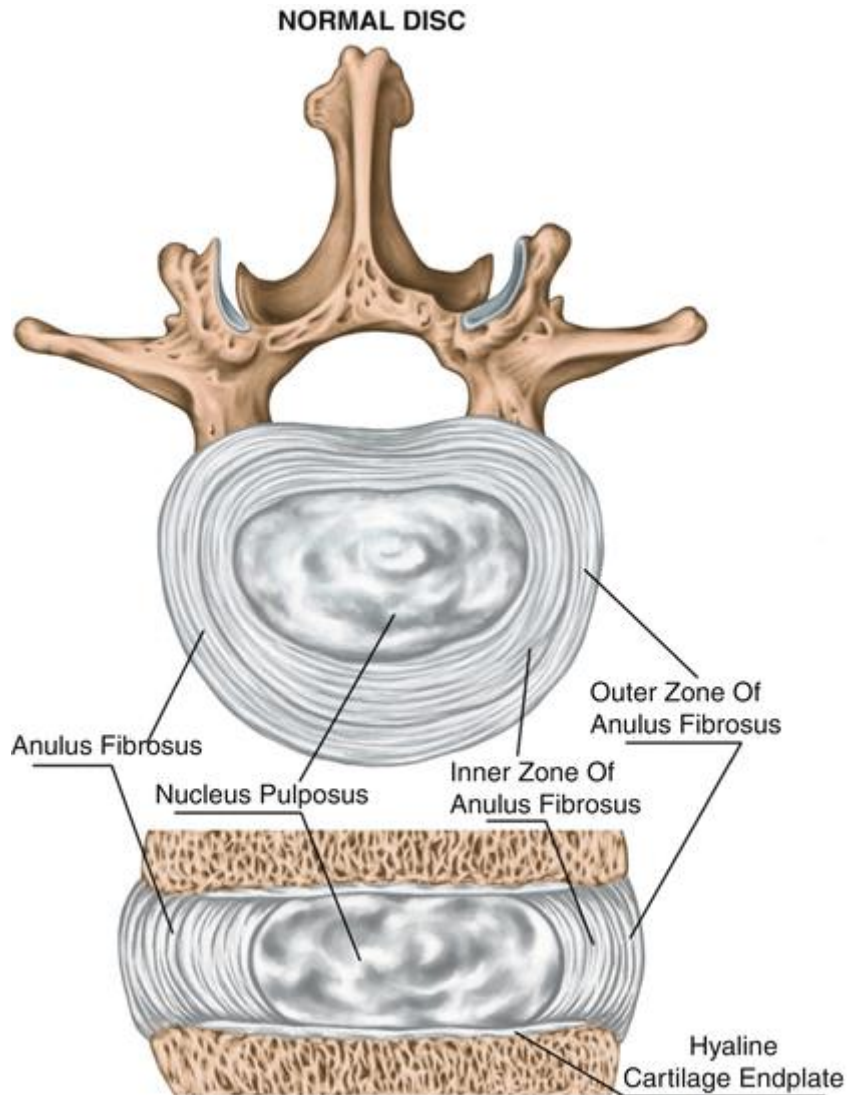


Joints of the vertebral bodies



- ❖ 1) **ligaments** – anterior and posterior longitudinal ligaments – *syndesmosis*
- ❖ 2) **intervertebral disks** - *synchondrosis or symphysis*

Intervertebral disc



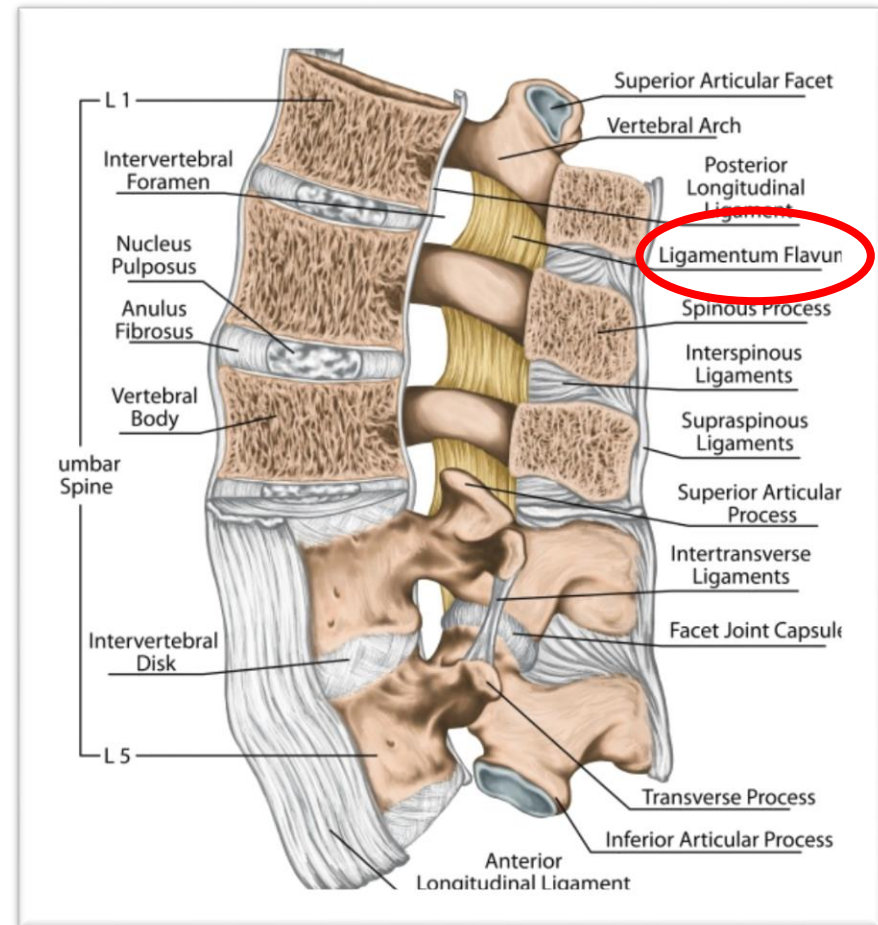
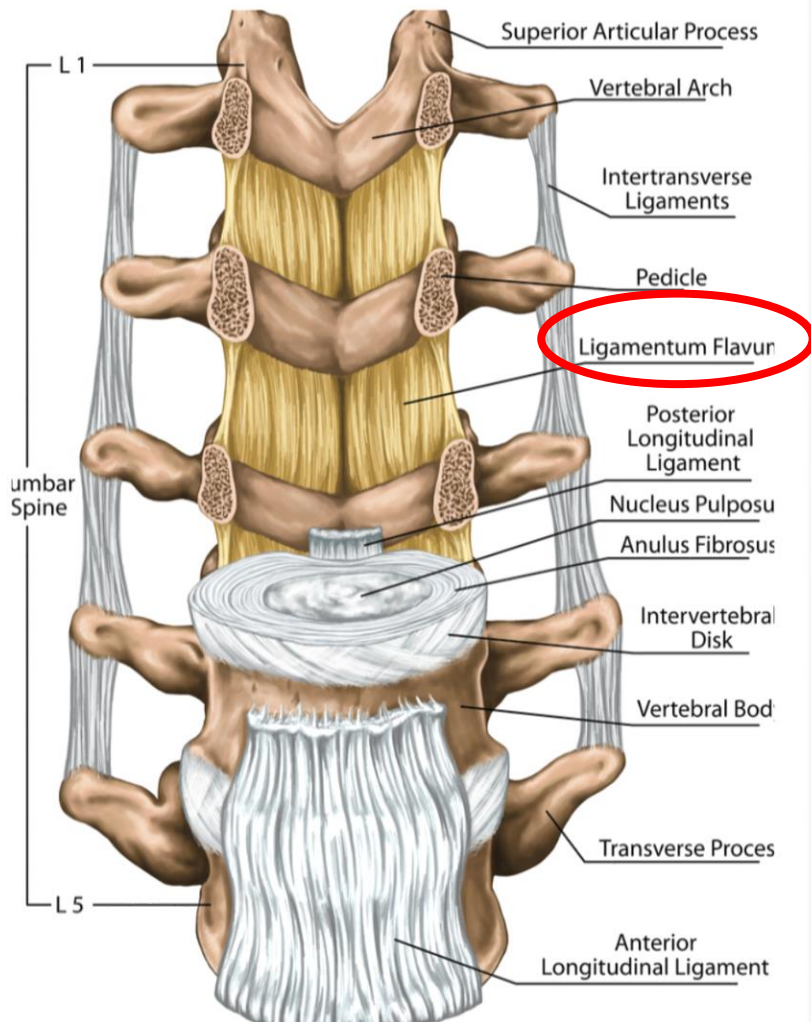
- Each disc composed of an outer fibrocartilaginous portion (*annulus fibrosus*) and an inner gelatinous central portion (*nucleus pulposus*)
- Nucleus pulposus – remnant of notochord

Functions of intervertebral disc:

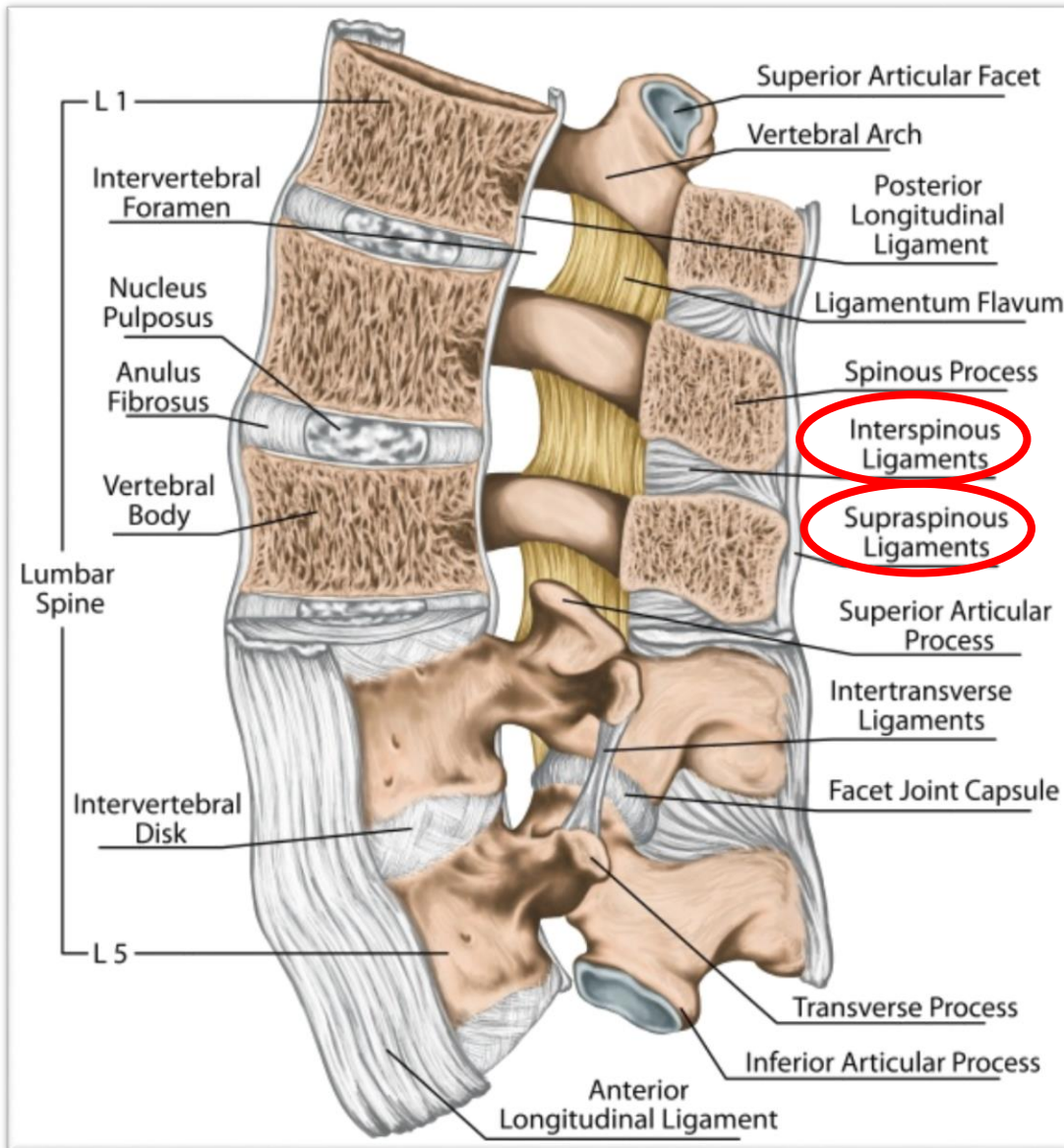
- Permit limited movement between adjacent vertebrae
- Nucleus pulposus – compressible but deformable pad, that distribute forces over the entire surface of the vertebra

Joints of the vertebral arches

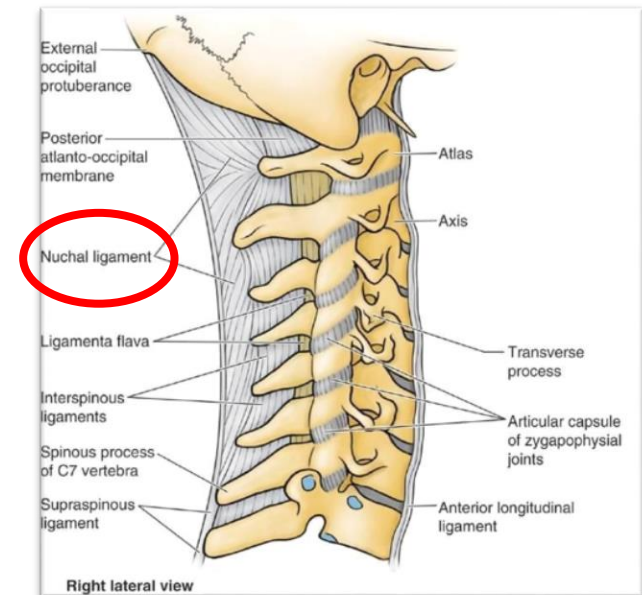
❖ the yellow ligaments (**ligg. flava**) – elastic fibers!



Joints of the vertebral spinous processes

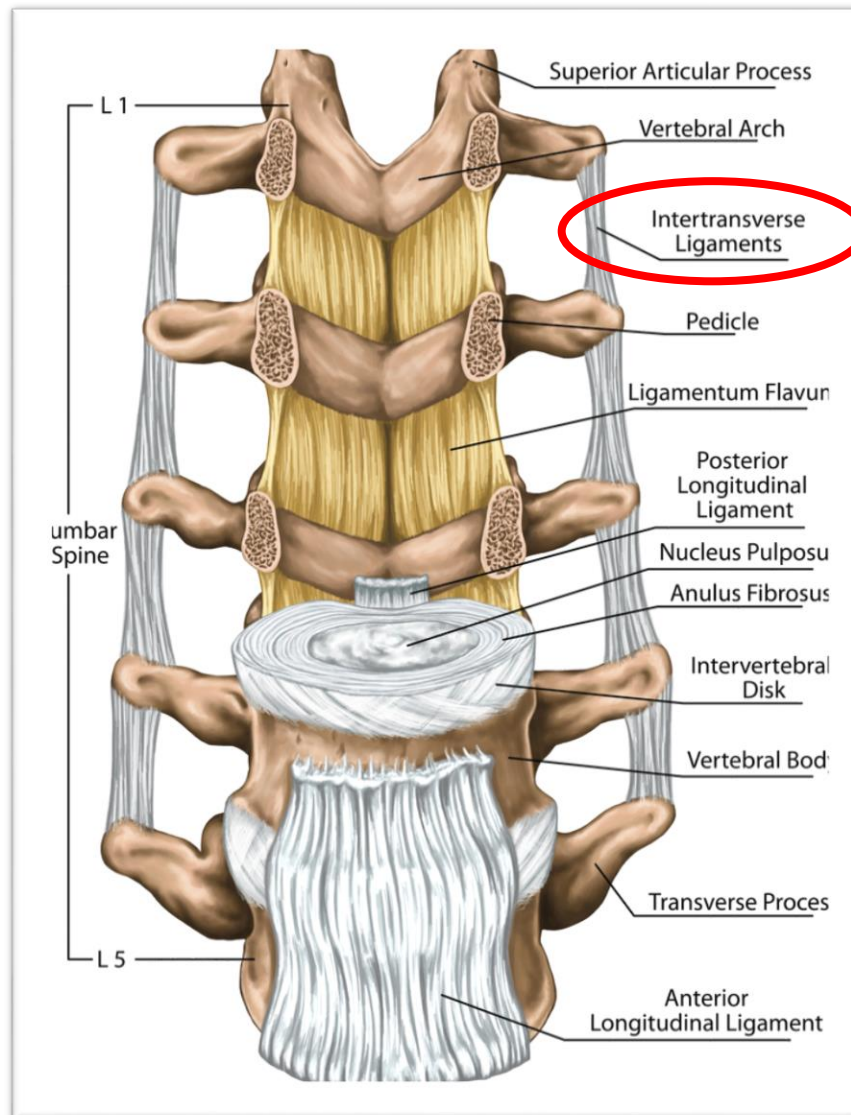


- ❖ 1) the interspinous ligaments (**ligg. interspinalia**) – between spinous processes
- ❖ 2) The supraspinous ligament (**lig. supraspinale**) – above all spinous processes – its continuation in suboccipital region – **nuchal ligament**



Joints of the vertebral transverse processes

❖ the intertransverse ligaments (**ligg. intertransversaria**)

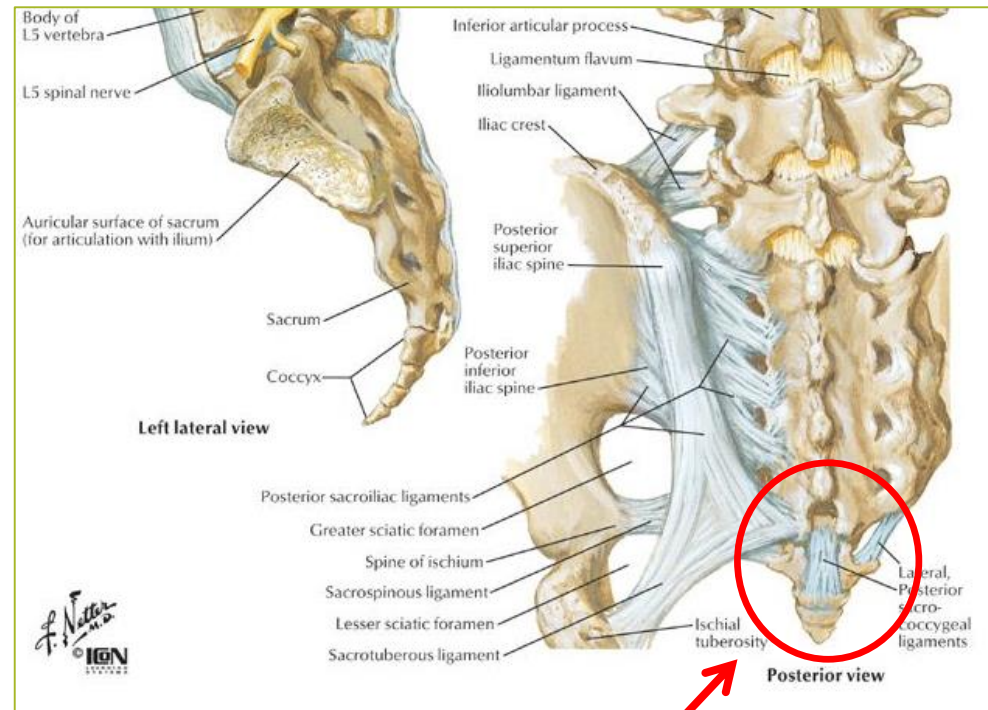
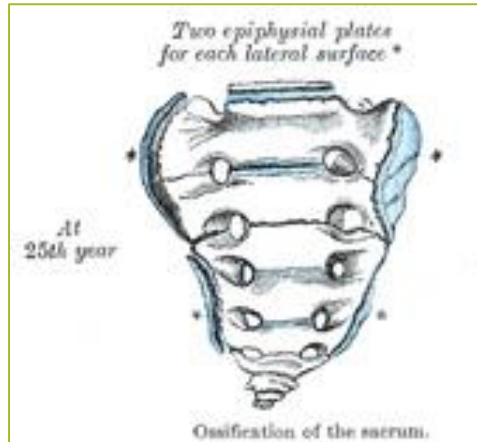


Joints of the sacral vertebrae

Temporary
synchondrosis



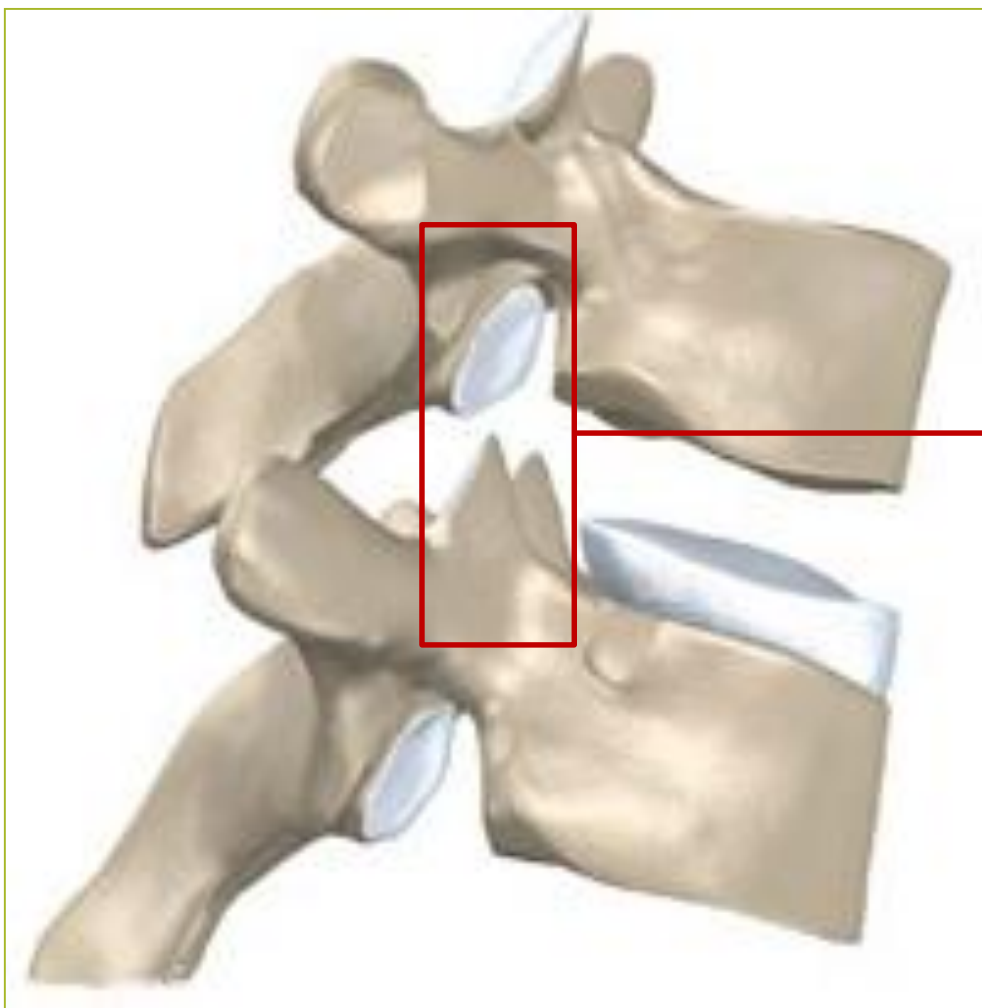
Synostosis



Sacrococcygeal joints:

- symphysis
- syndesmoses (ligaments)

Joints of the vertebral articular processes



Zygapophysial synovial joint
(with all essential elements of the diarthroses) – provide mobility of the vertebral column

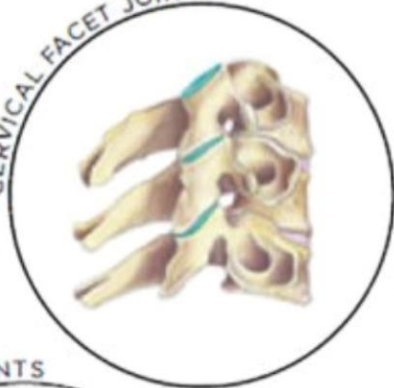
Classification of this joint:

- simple – 2 articular surfaces
- plane – shape of articular surfaces
- combined – left and right joints are anatomically separated and move simultaneously

NB! Plane joints – amphiarthrosis – multiaxial

- Volume of the movements in every single zygoapophysial joint is minimal

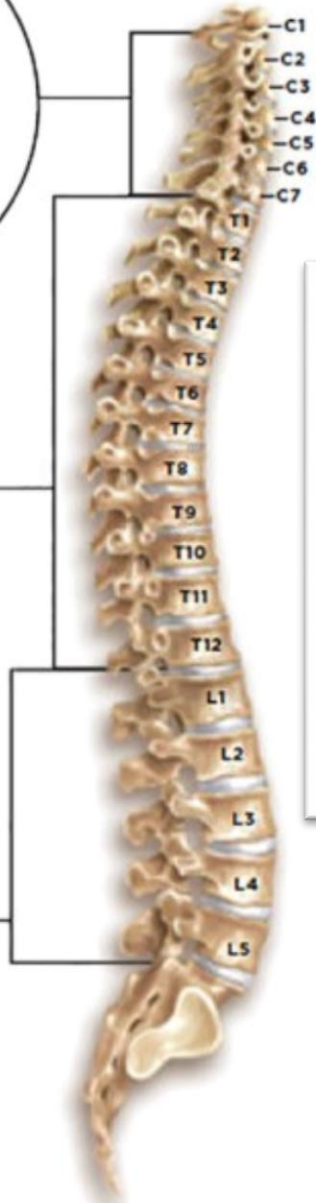
CERVICAL FACET JOINTS



THORACIC FACET JOINTS

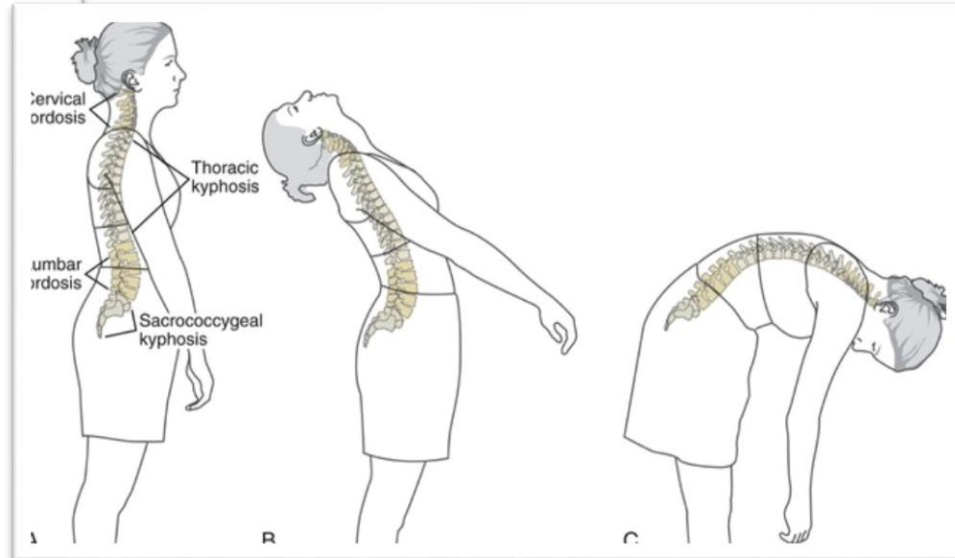


LUMBAR FACET JOINTS



Volume of the movements in the vertebral column depends on position of:

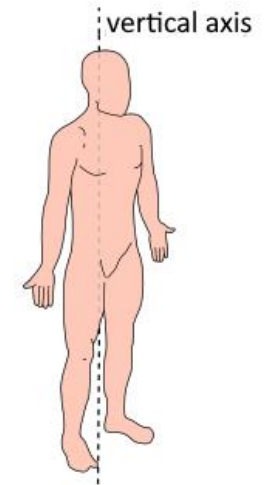
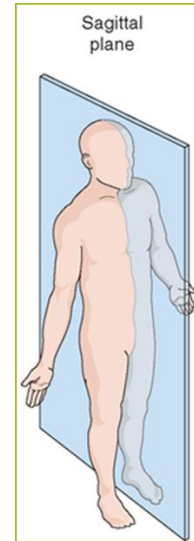
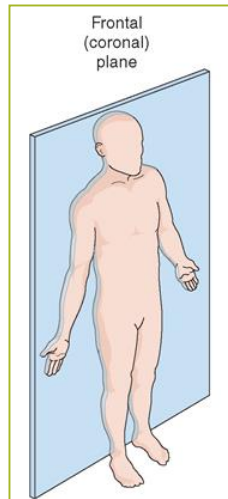
- 1) Articular surfaces
- 2) Spinous processes angle



Cervical and lumbar regions are mobile.

Thoracic region is less mobile.

Movements of Spinal Column



Flexion



Extension

Flexion and extension along frontal axis



Lateral Flexion

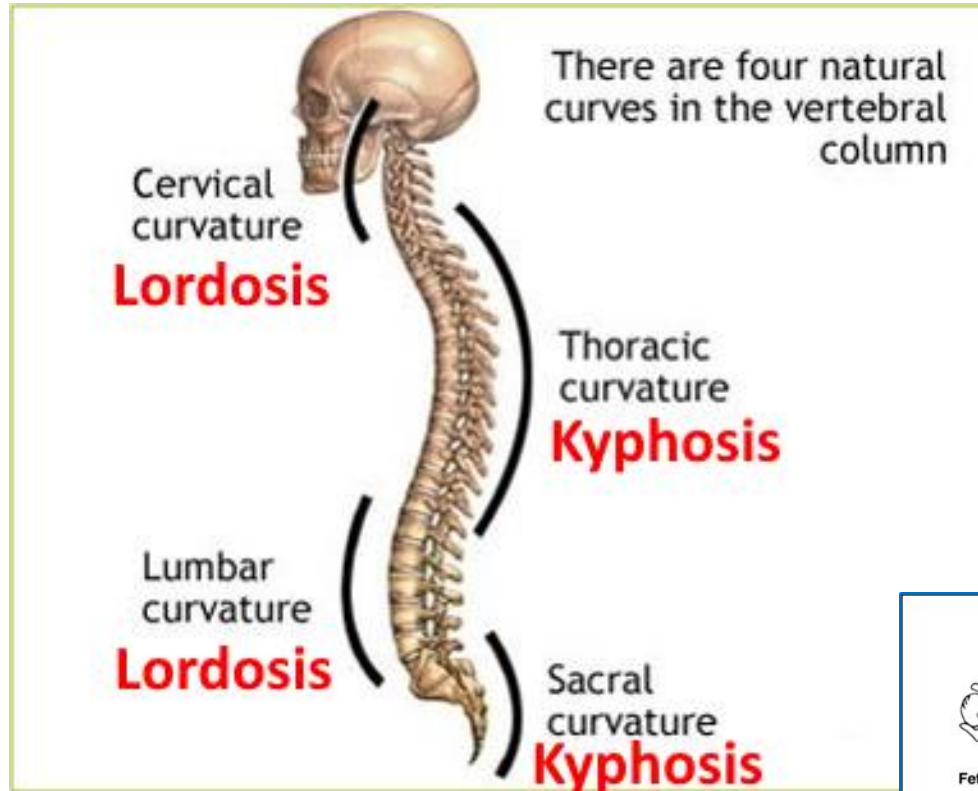
Lateral flexion along sagittal axis



Rotation

Rotation along vertical axis

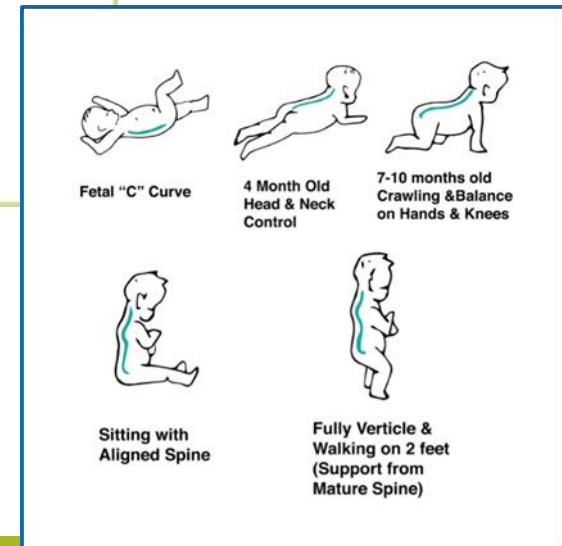
The vertebral column is curved in sagittal plane



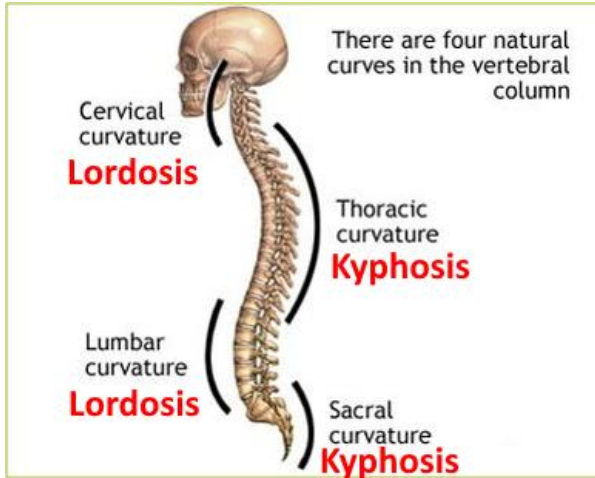
Lordoses
are convex
ventrally

Kyphoses
are convex
dorsally

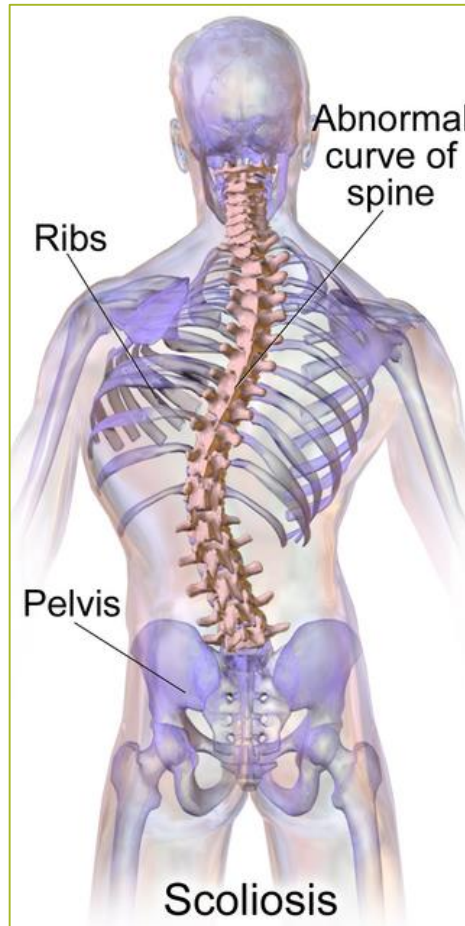
Cervical and Lumbar physiological Lordoses and Thoracic and Sacral physiological Kyphoses are distinguished.



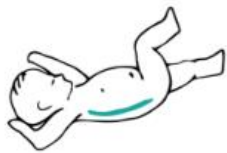
Physiological curves



Skoliosis – deviation of the vertebral column from the median plane



The curvatures of the vertebral column appear after birth



Fetal "C" Curve



4 Month Old
Head & Neck
Control



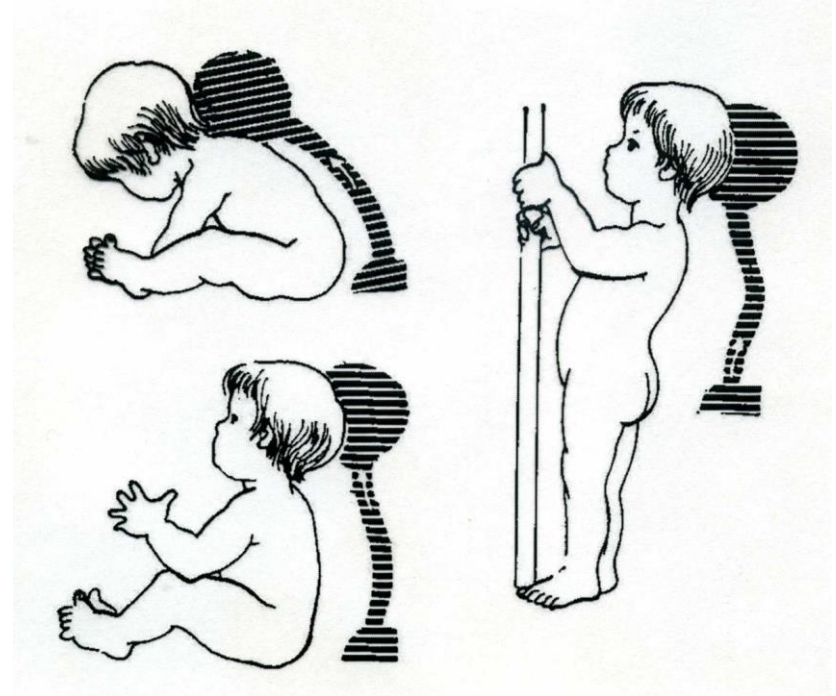
7-10 months old
Crawling & Balance
on Hands & Knees



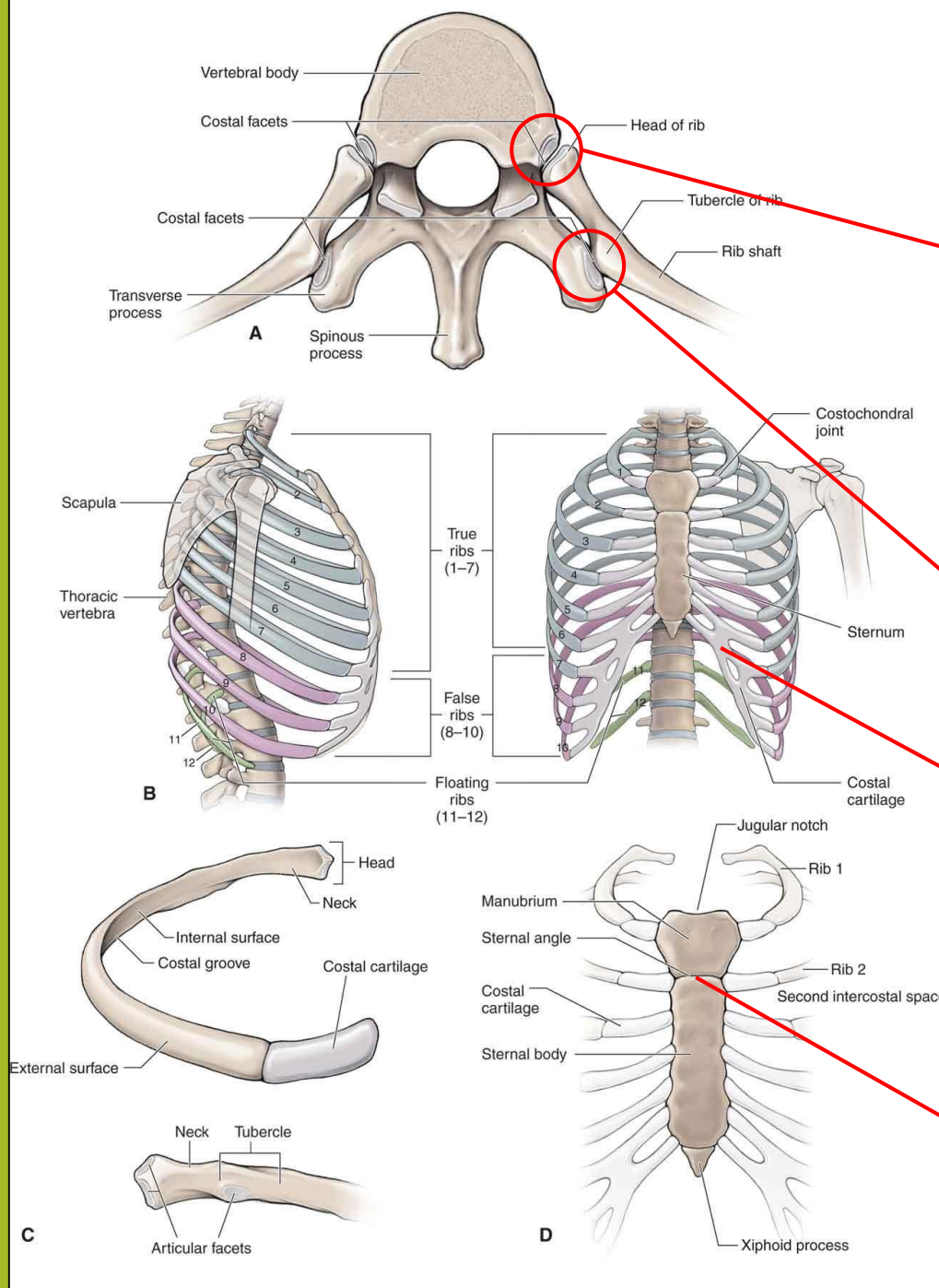
Sitting with
Aligned Spine



Fully Verticle &
Walking on 2 feet
(Support from
Mature Spine)



Joints of the thoracic cage



Articulatio capitis costae

- I, XI, XII ribs - simple (1 rib+1 vertebral articular facet), spheroidal multiaxial, joint
- II-X ribs - complex (1 rib+2 adjacent vertebral articular demifacets), saddle, biaxial joints.

Articulatio costotransversaria

- simple, cylindrical joints.

Articulationes sternocostales

- permanent synchondrosis
- simple saddle joints

Combined joints

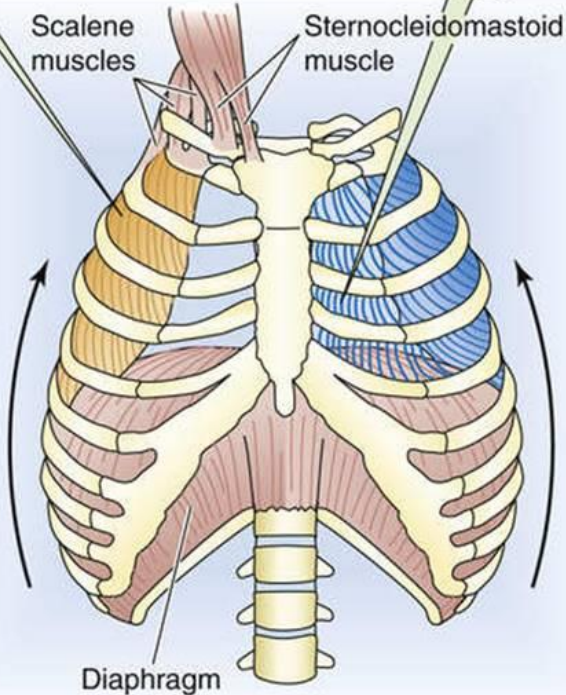
Junction between manubrium and body of the sternum

- temporary synchondrosis that later becomes synostosis
- sometimes can be symphysis

Movements in the thoracic cage

A INSPIRATION

The most rostral and dorsal subsets of the **external** intercostal muscles (gold)—as well as the parasternal subset of the **internal** intercostal muscles (blue)—have an *inspiratory* mechanical advantage.

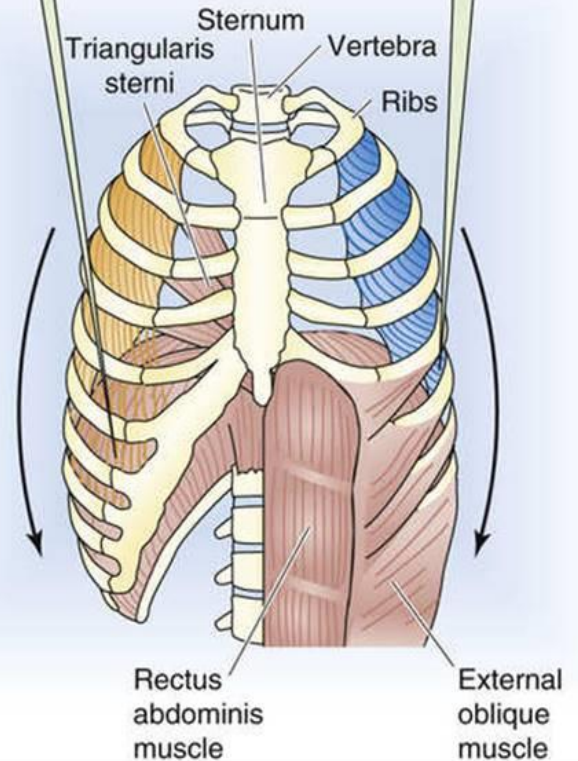


B BUCKET-HANDLE AND WATER PUMP-HANDLE EFFECTS

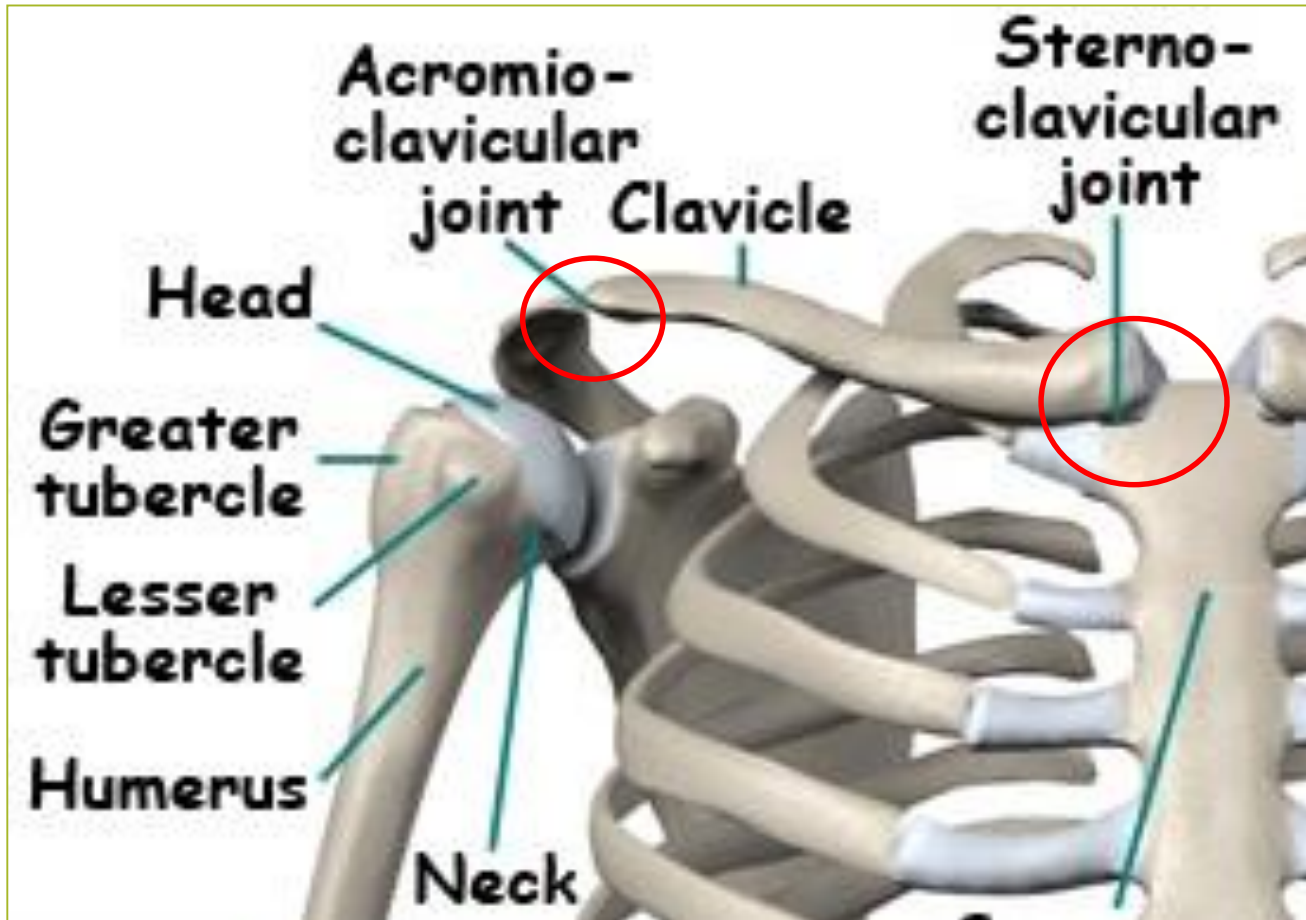


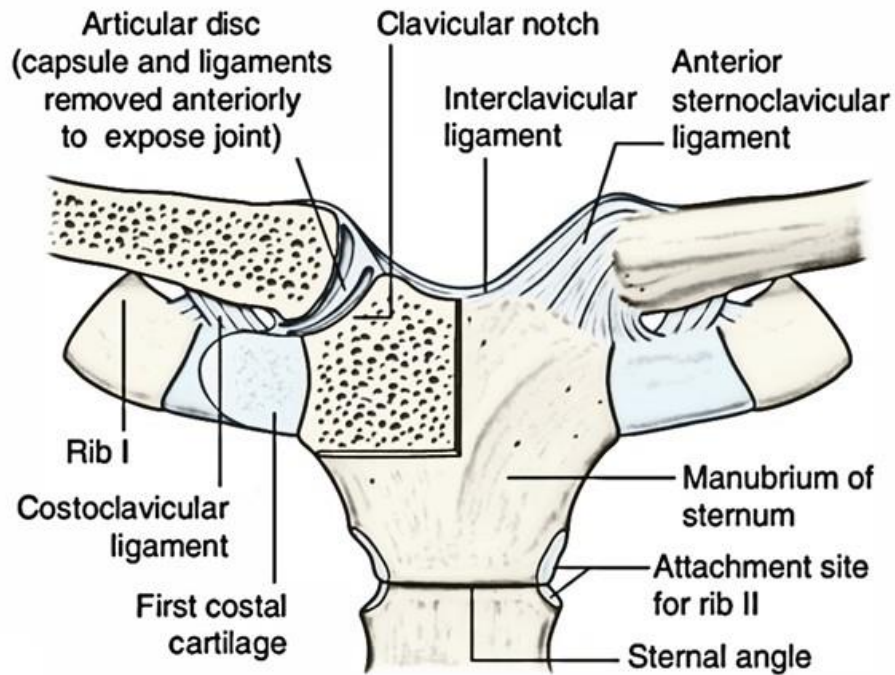
C EXPIRATION

The most caudal subset of the **internal** intercostal muscles (blue)—as well as the caudal-ventral subset of the **external** intercostal muscles (gold) and the triangularis sterni muscle (transversus thoracis)—have an *expiratory* mechanical advantage.



Shoulder Girdle



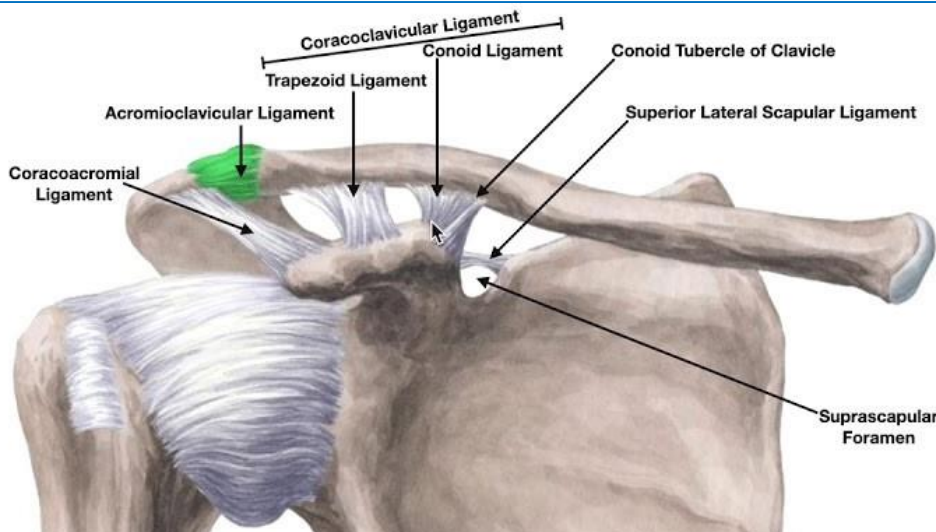


* Sternoclavicular joint

- simple (if there is no intraarticular disk)
- complex (in 30% there is intraarticular disk – complex)
- saddle - biaxial



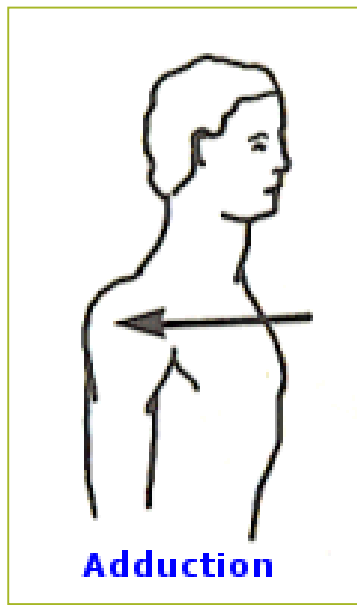
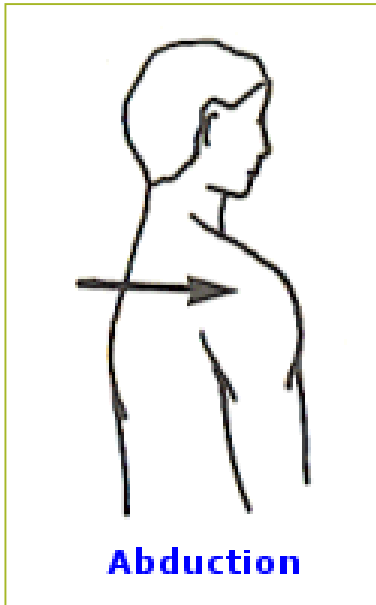
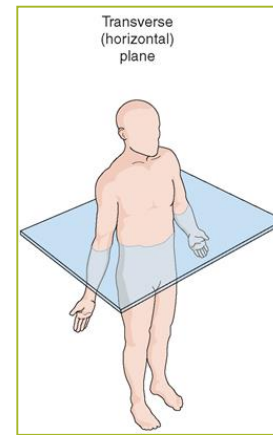
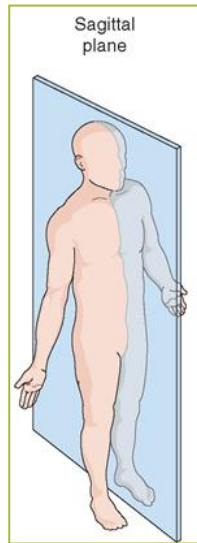
Combined joints



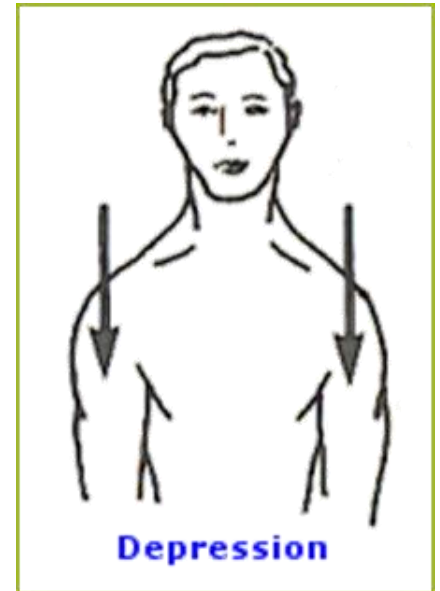
* Acromioclavicular joint

- simple
- plane - multiaxial

Shoulder Girdle



Adduction and abduction
along sagittal axis

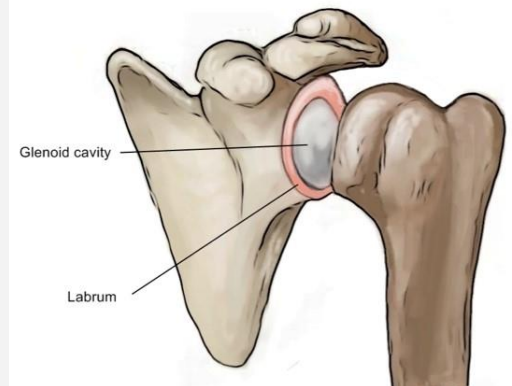
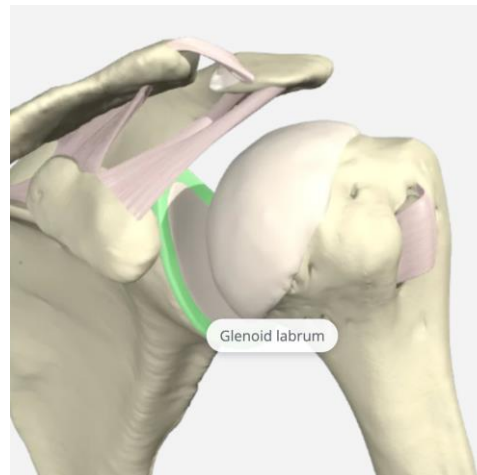
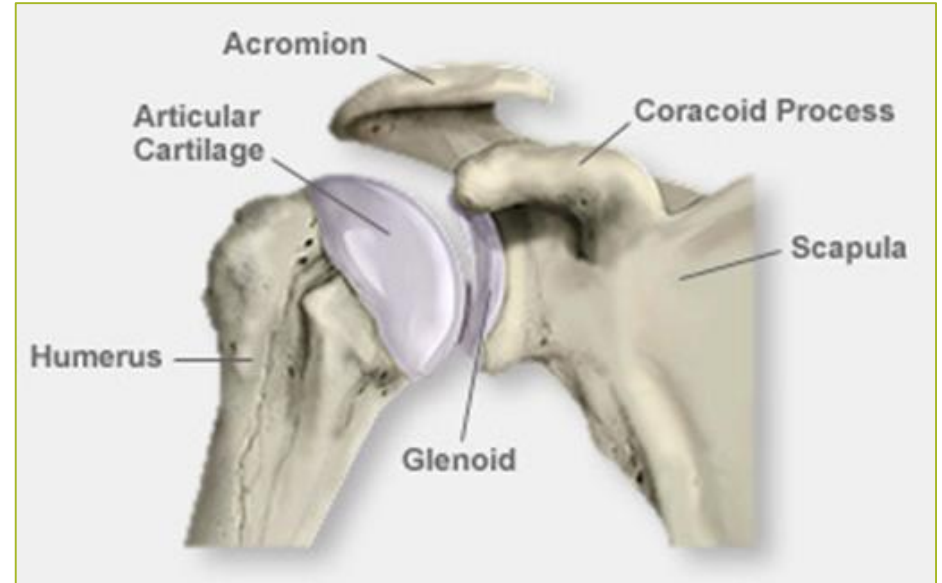


Elevation and depression
along transverse axis

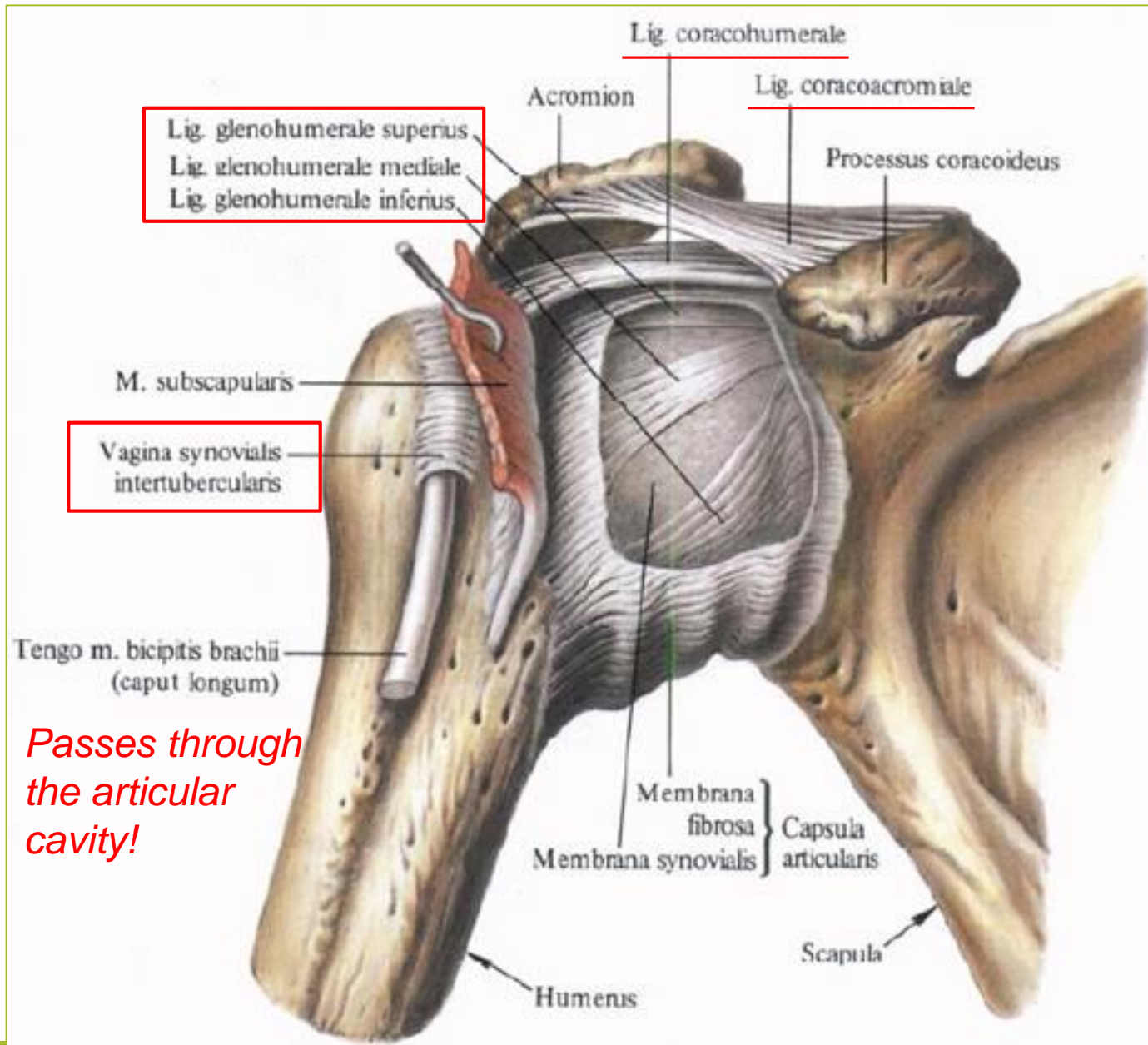
Shoulder joint (*articulatio humeri*)

Articular surfaces:

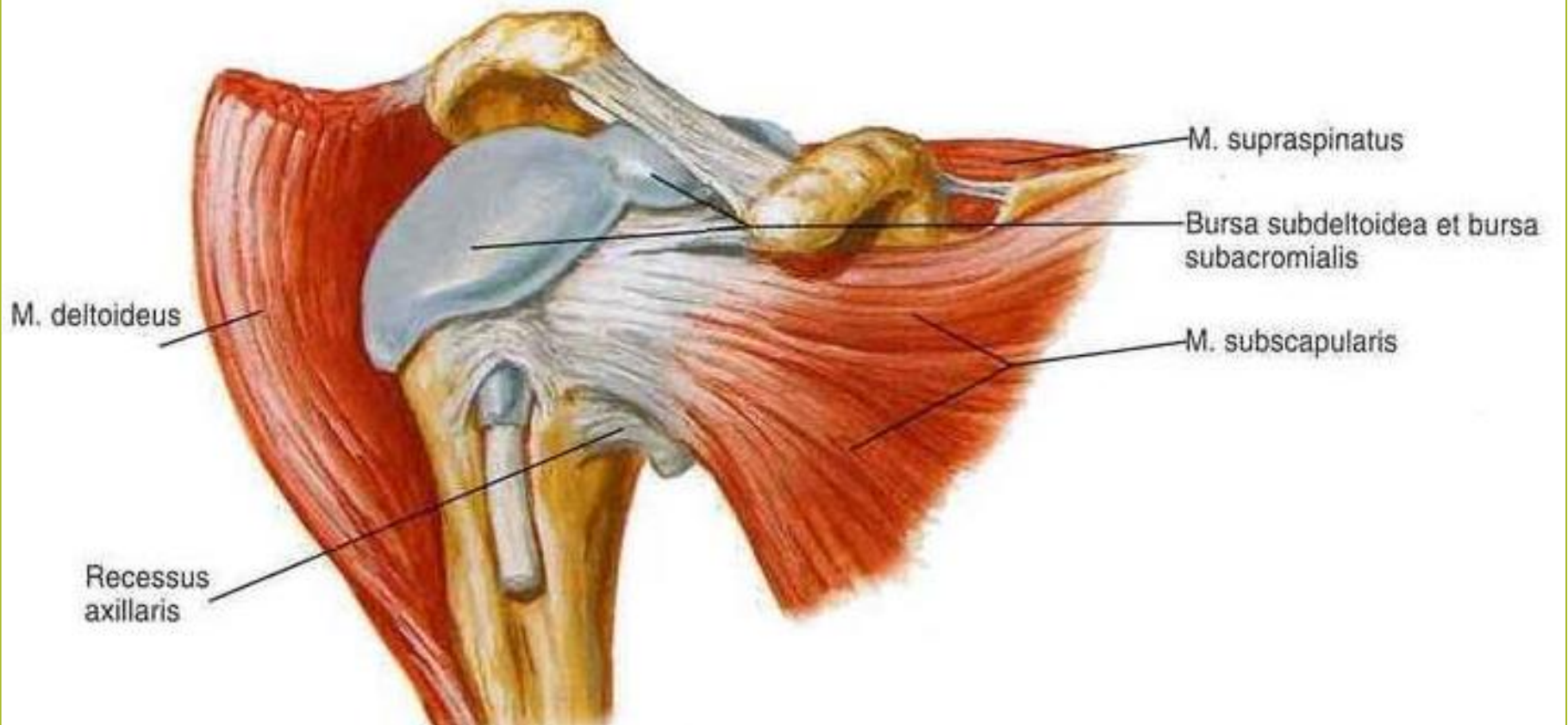
- the head of the humerus,
- the glenoid cavity of the scapula.
- *The glenoid labrum (labrum glenoidale)* is on the circumference of the glenoid cavity. It increases its depth (increase congruence).



Shoulder joint (*articulatio humeri*)

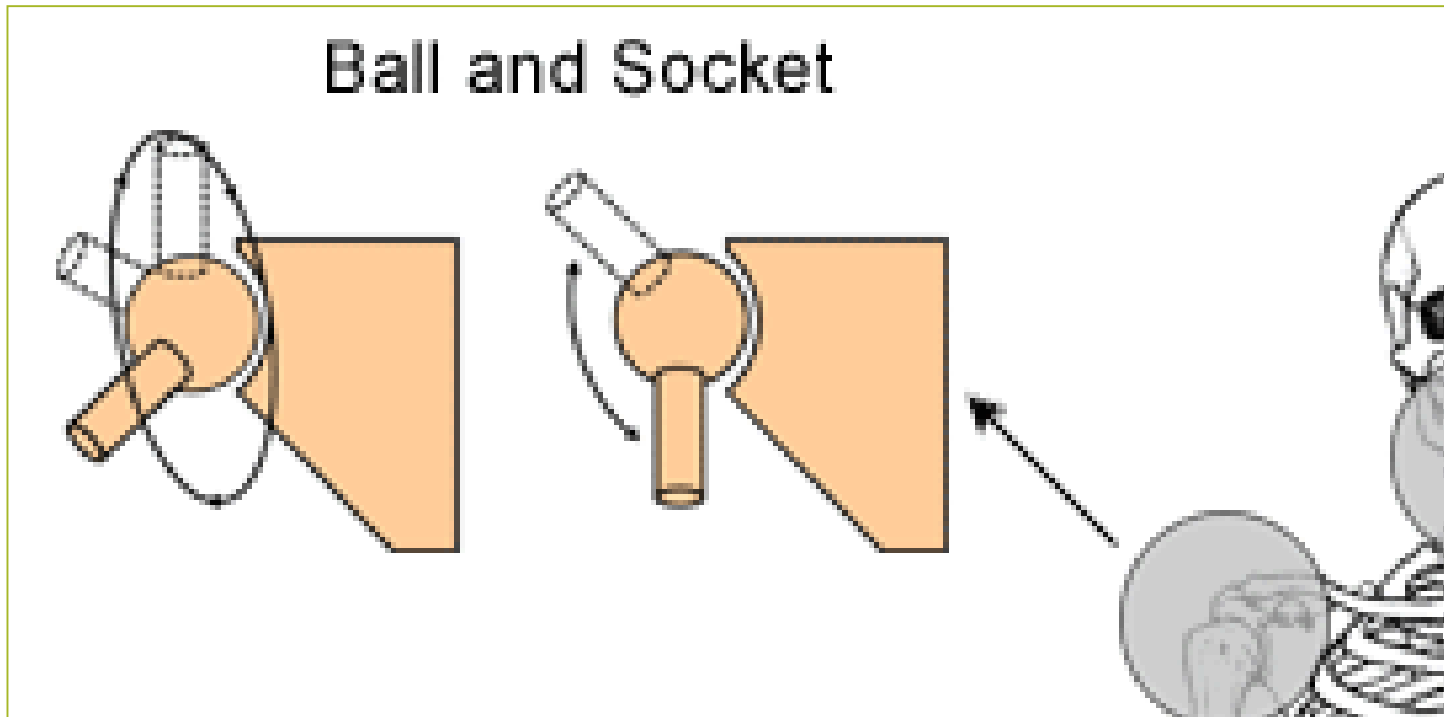


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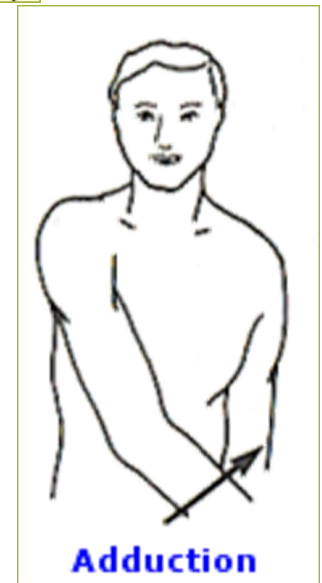
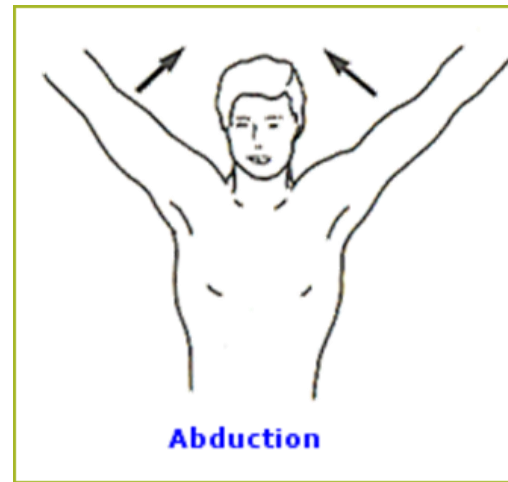
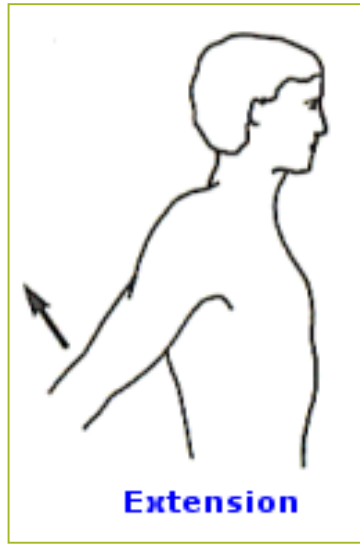
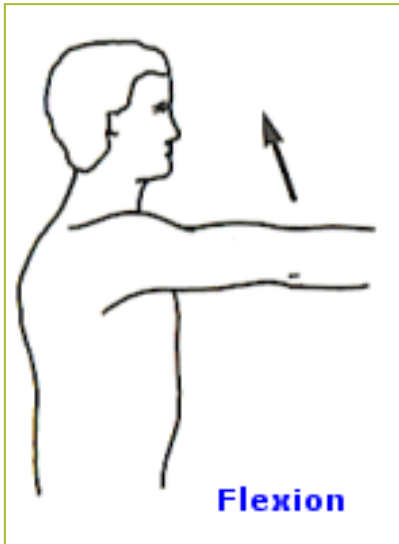
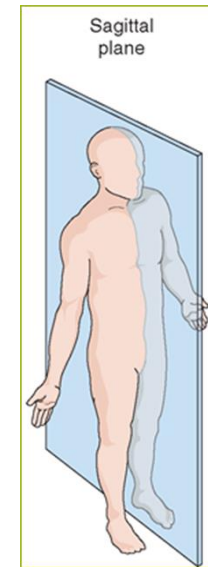
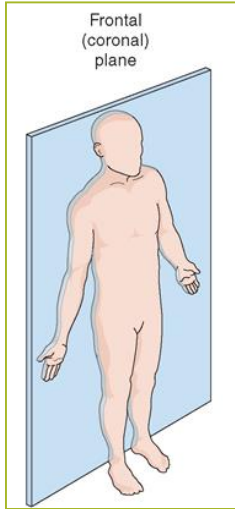


Shoulder joint (*articulatio humeri*)

- Simple spheroidal joint.



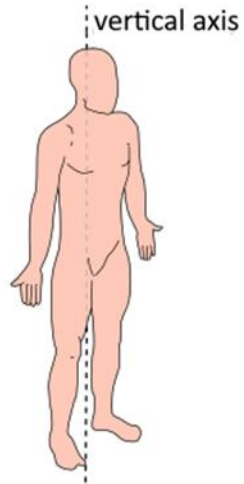
Shoulder Joint



Flexion and extension
along frontal axis

Adduction and abduction
along sagittal axis

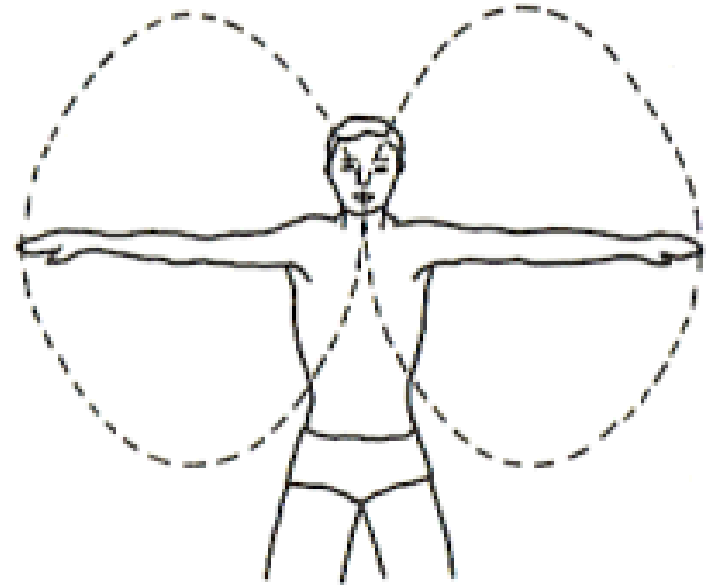
Shoulder Joint



Outward Medial Rotation



Inward Medial Rotation



Circumduction

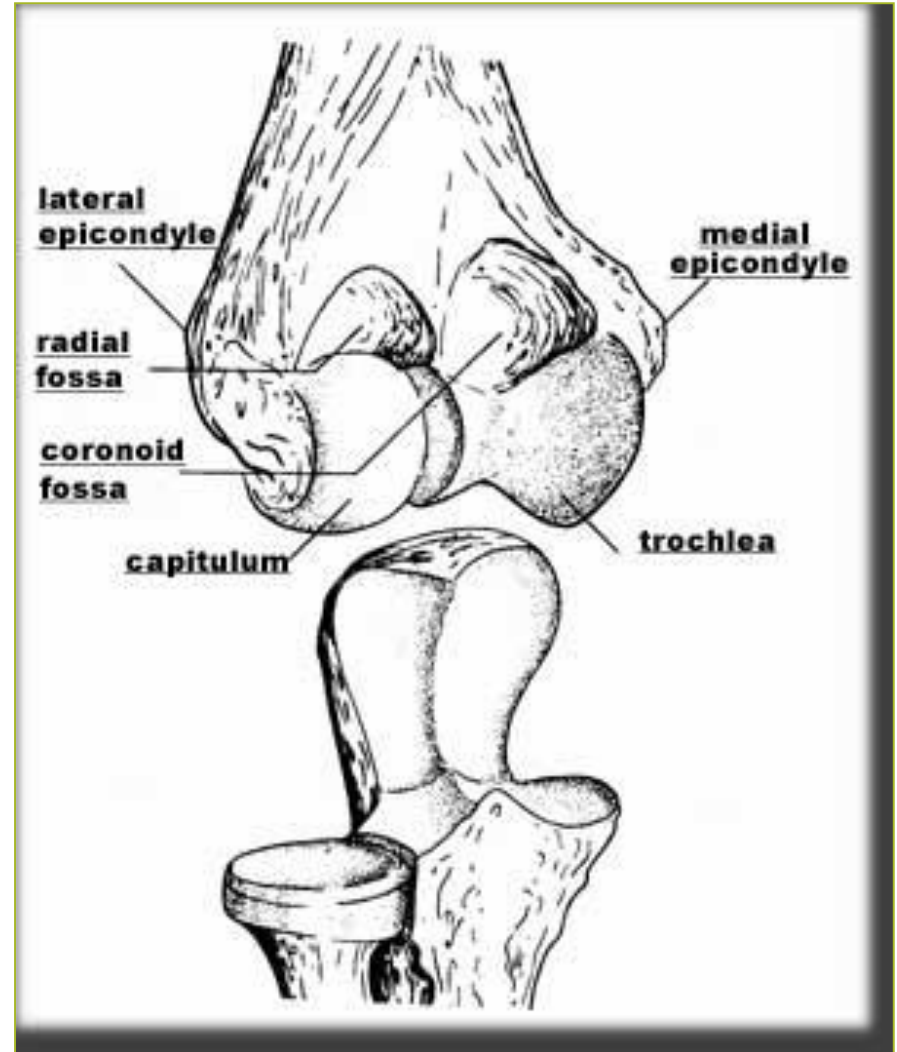
- Rotation and circumduction along vertical axis

The elbow joint (*articulatio cubiti*)

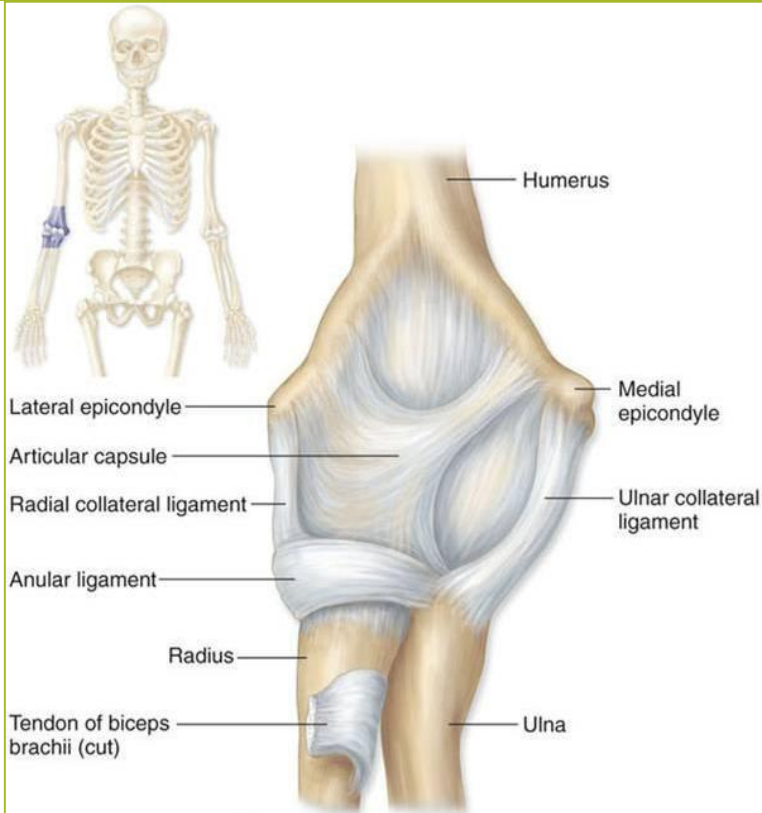
Three articulating bones form three joints invested in a common capsule:

- 1) *humero-ulnar joint (hinge joint)*
- 2) *humeroradial joint (spheroidal joint)*
- 3) *proximal radio-ulnar joint (cylindrical=pivot joint)*

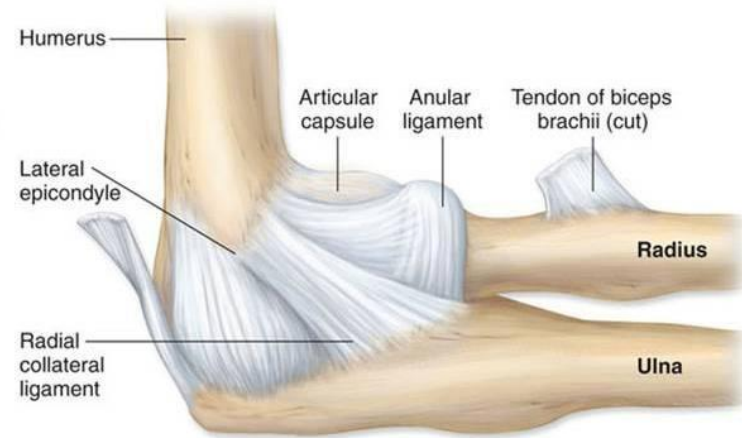
Articular capsule embraces the olecranon, radial and coronoid fossae but leaves the epicondyles free.



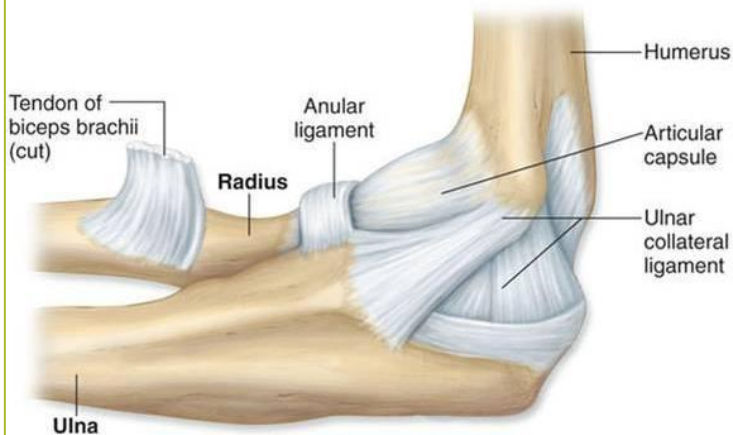
Elbow joint



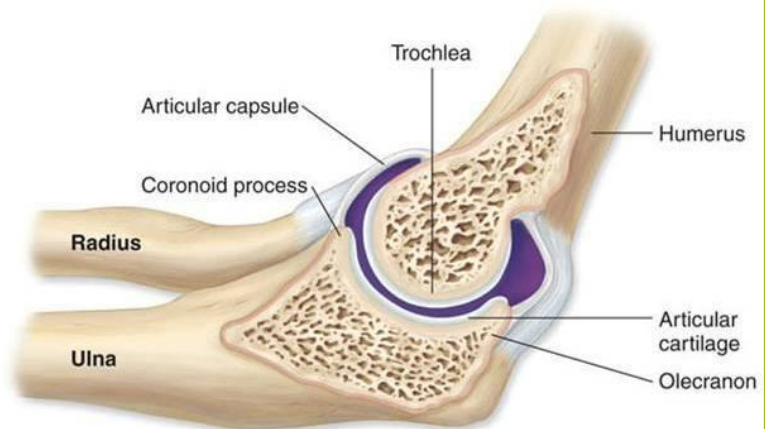
(a) Right elbow, anterior view



(b) Right elbow, lateral view

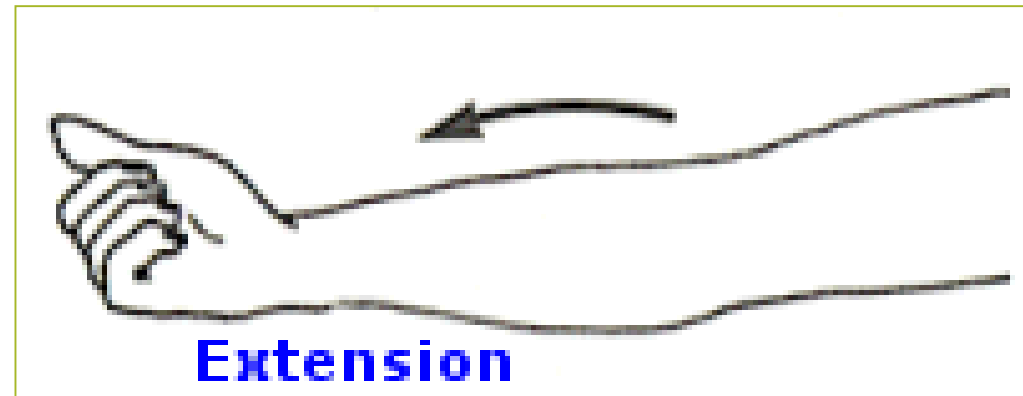
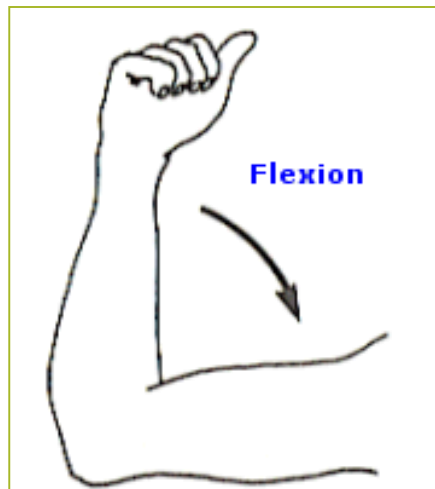
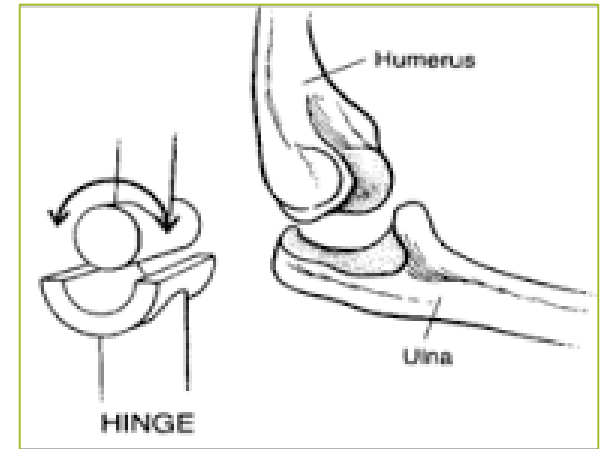
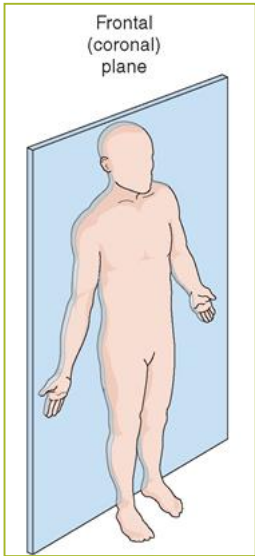


(c) Right elbow, medial view



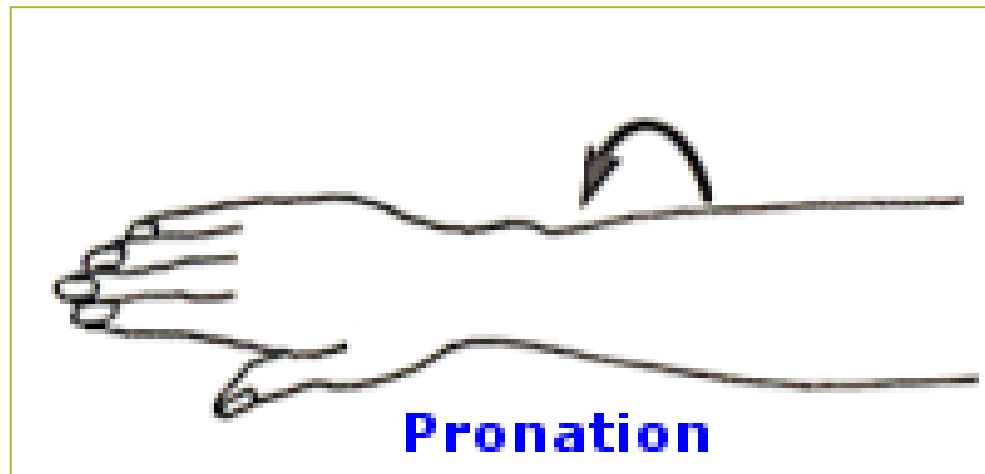
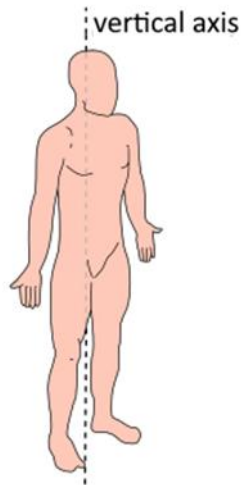
(d) Right elbow, sagittal section

Elbow Joint



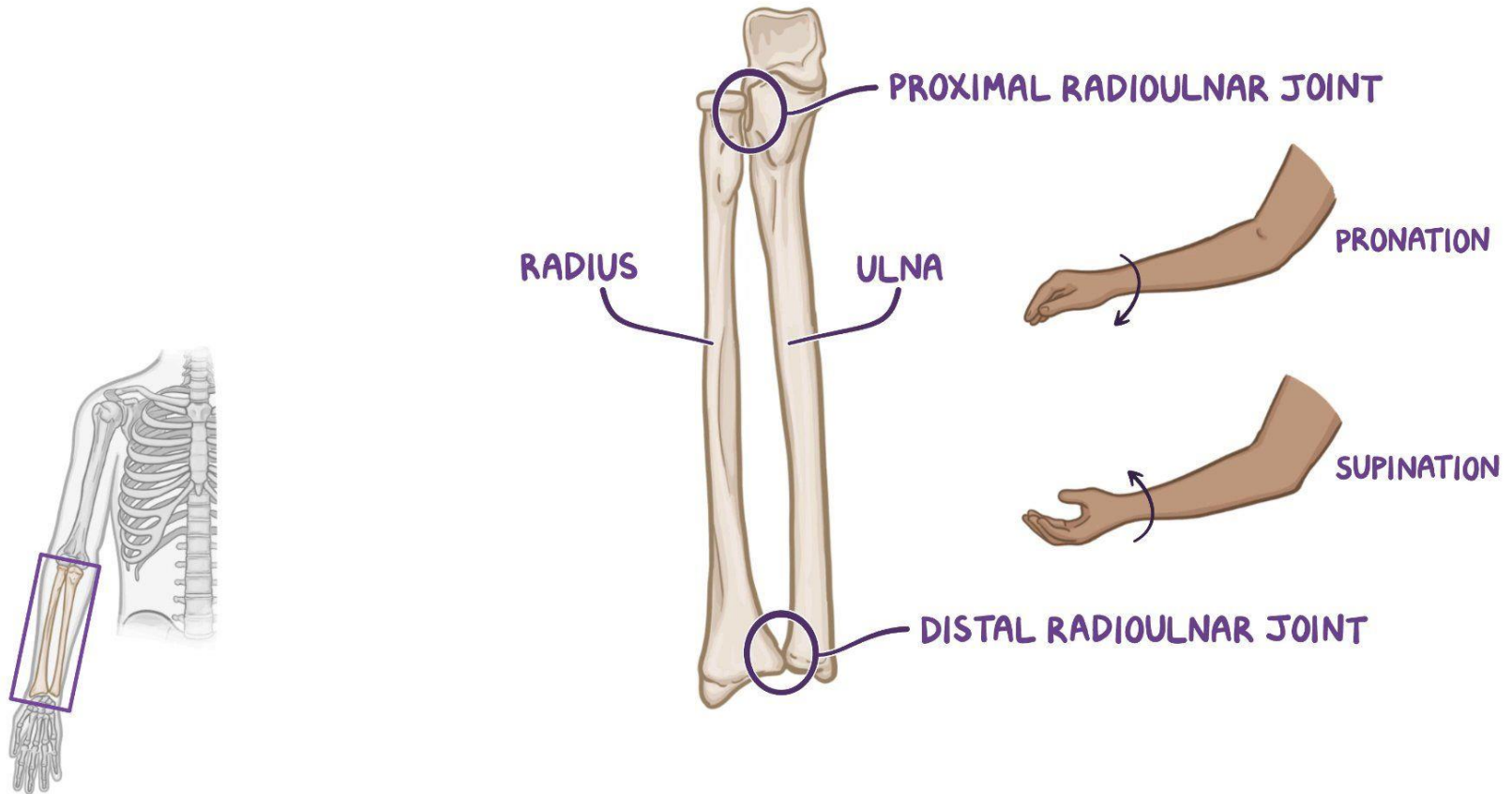
Flexion and extension along frontal axis

Elbow Joint



Pronation and supination along vertical axis
Combined movement in proximal and distal radio-ulnar joint

RADIOULNAR JOINTS

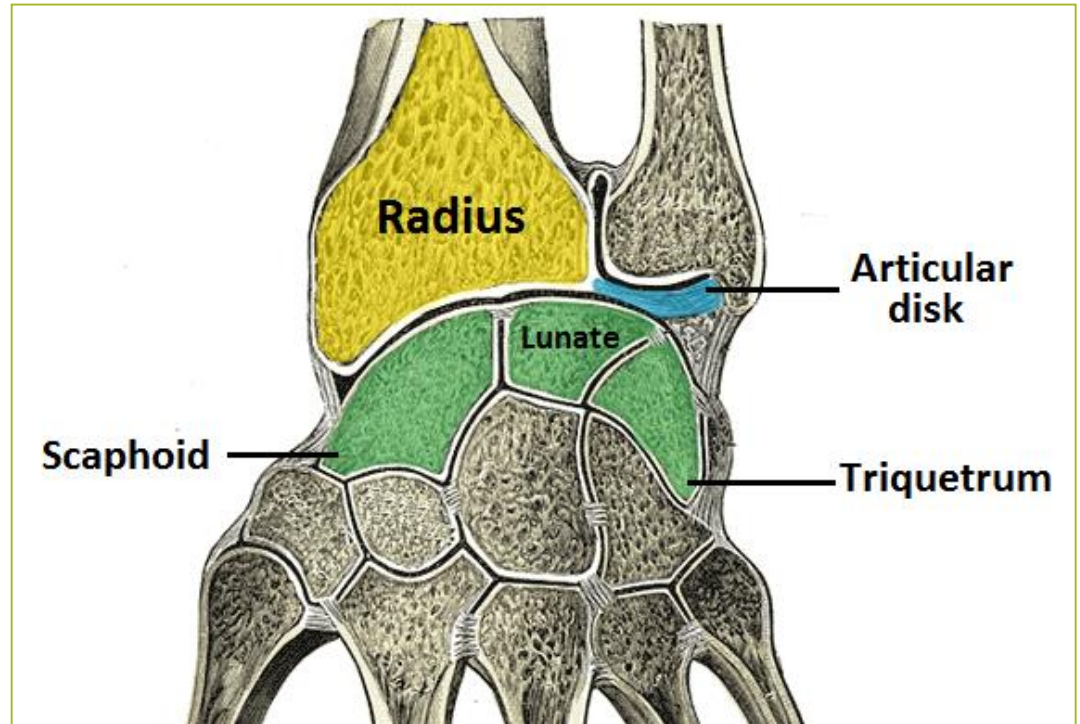


Combined movement in proximal and distal radio-ulnar joint

The wrist joint (*articulatio radiocarpalis*)

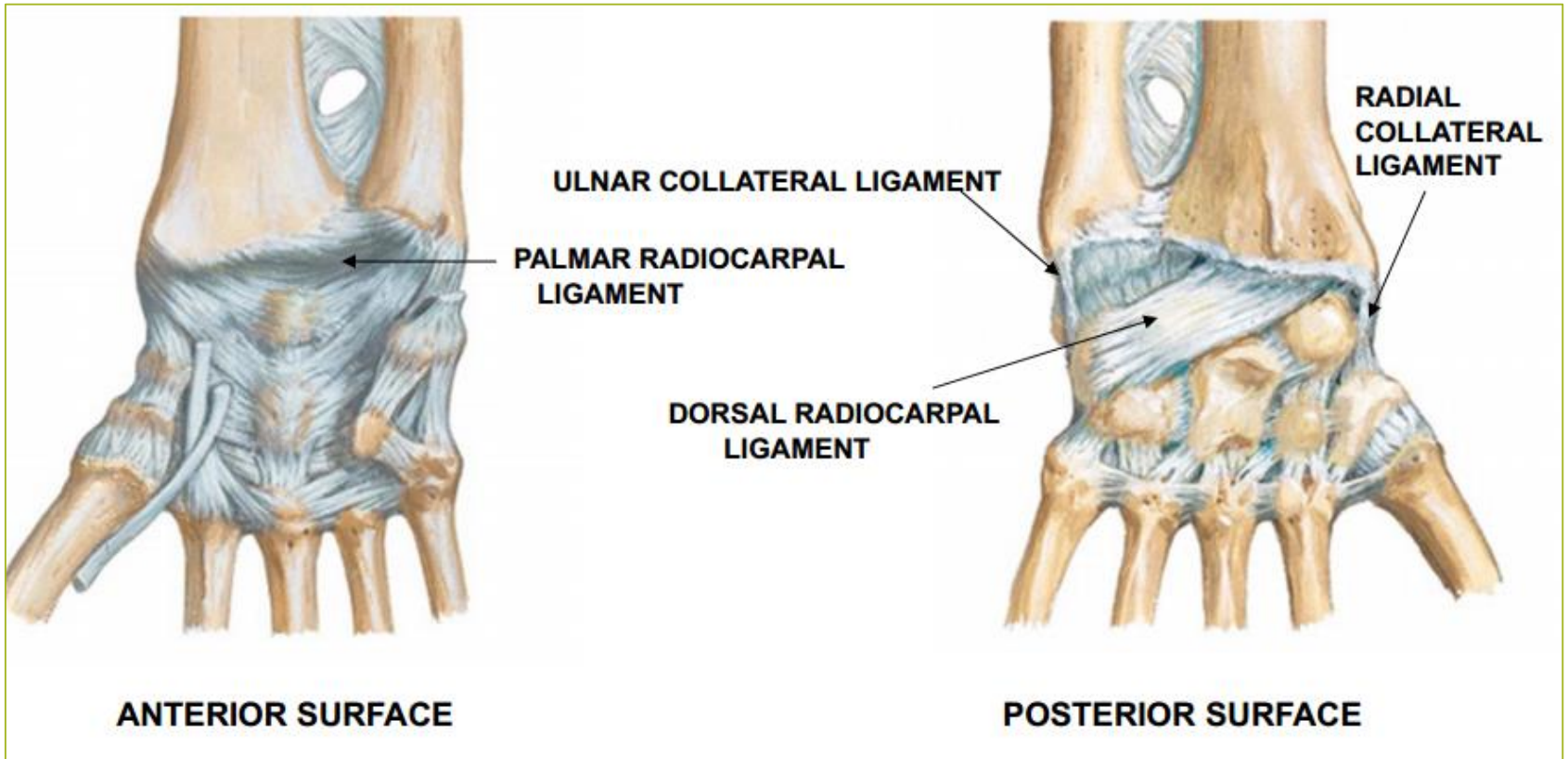
Articular surfaces:

- the carpal articular surface of the radius
- the articular disc (the distal radio-ulnar joint)
- scaphoid, lunate and triquetral bones.

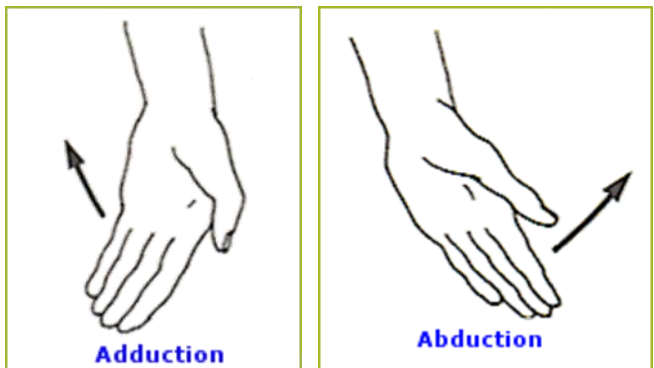
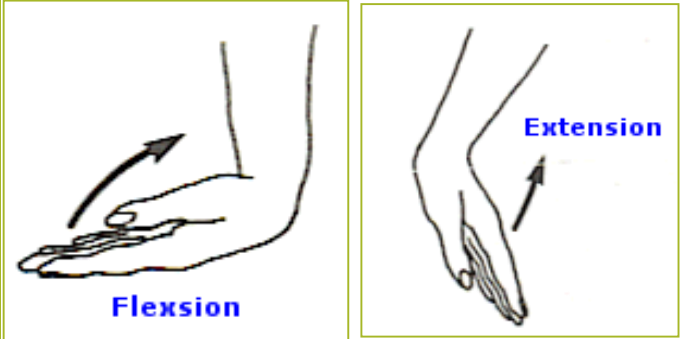
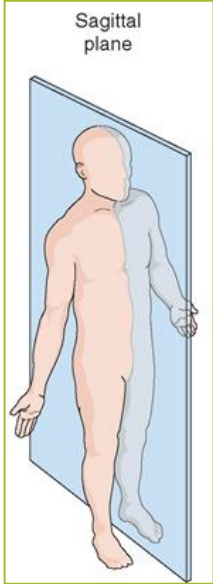
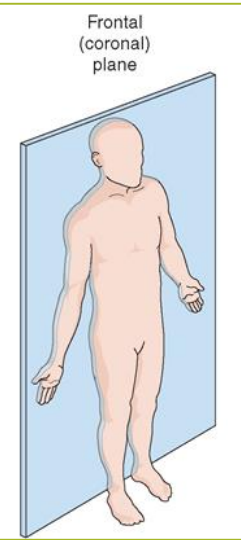


- Complex ellipsoid joint.

The wrist joint



Wrist Joint



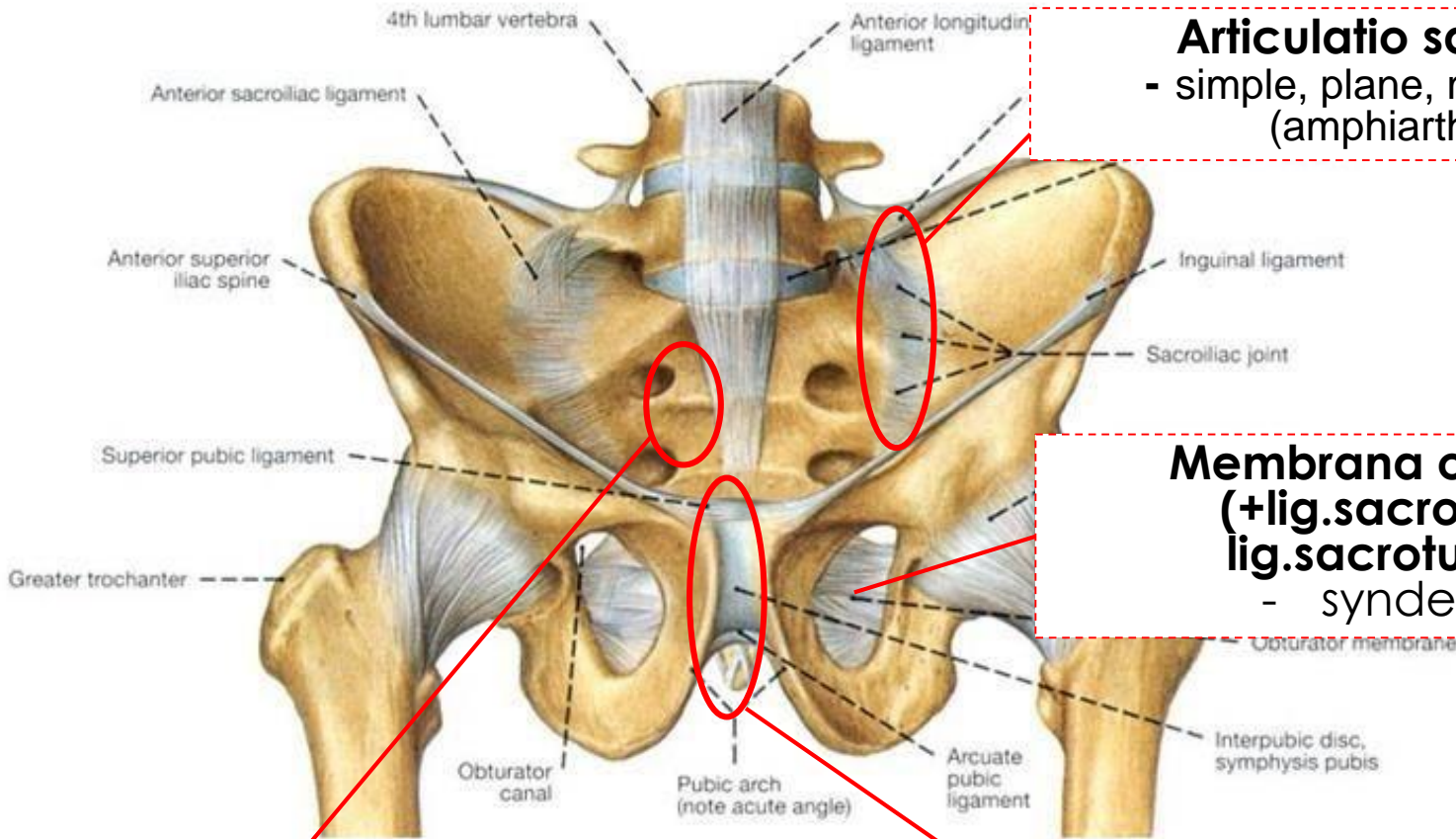
Flexion and extension along frontal axis

Adduction and abduction along sagittal axis

Circumduction the consequential movements along both axis

Joints of the pelvis

Pelvis and Ligaments, Front View, Male



Articulatio sacroiliaca

- simple, plane, multiaxial joint (amphiarthrosis).

Membrana obturatoria (+lig.sacrospinale, lig.sacrotuberale)

- syndesmosis

Sacrum (and os coxae)

- temporary synchondrosis that later become synostosis

Symphysis pubicum

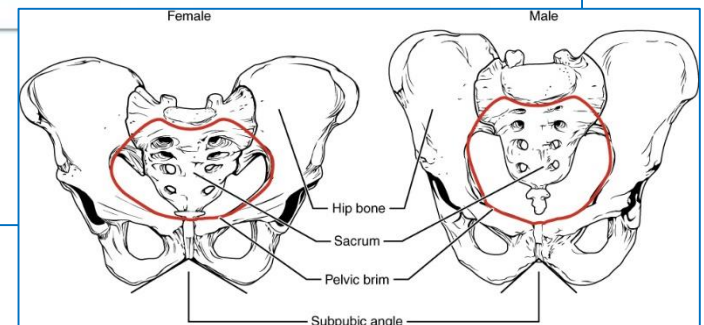
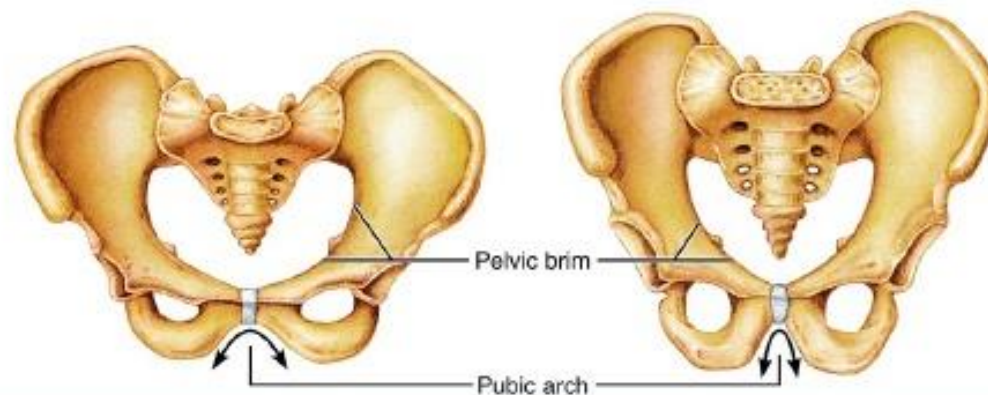
- special type of synchondrosis
- interpubic disk with slit-like space

Comparison of Male and Female Pelves

TABLE 7.4 Comparison of the Male and Female Pelves

| CHARACTERISTIC | FEMALE | MALE |
|--|--|---|
| General structure and functional modifications | Tilted forward; adapted for childbearing; true pelvis defines the birth canal; cavity of the true pelvis is broad, shallow, and has a greater capacity | Tilted less far forward; adapted for support of a male's heavier build and stronger muscles; cavity of the true pelvis is narrow and deep |
| Bone thickness | Less; bones lighter, thinner, and smoother | Greater; bones heavier and thicker, and markings are more prominent |
| Acetabula | Smaller; farther apart | Larger; closer |
| Pubic arch/angle | Broader (80–90°); more rounded | More acute (50–60°) |

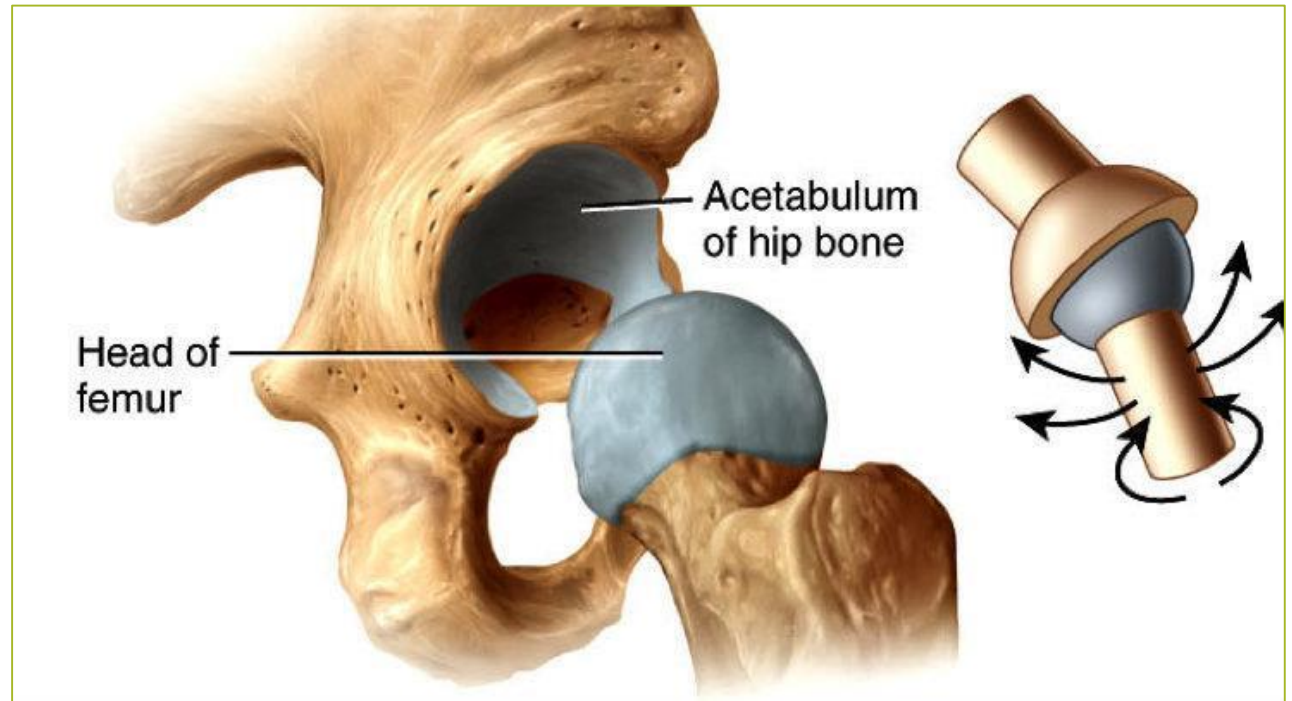
Anterior view



The hip joint (*articulatio coxae*)

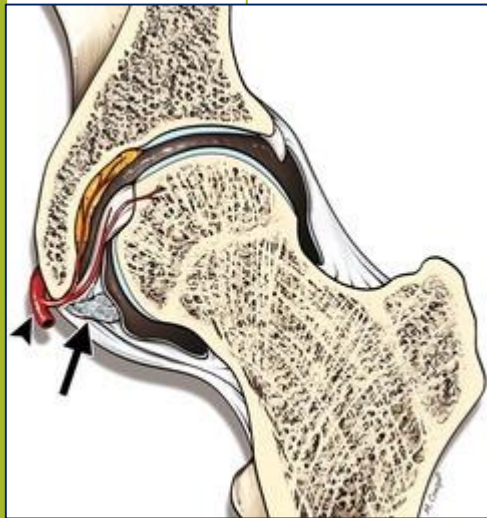
Articular surfaces:

- Lunate surface of acetabulum of the hip bone
- Head of the femur

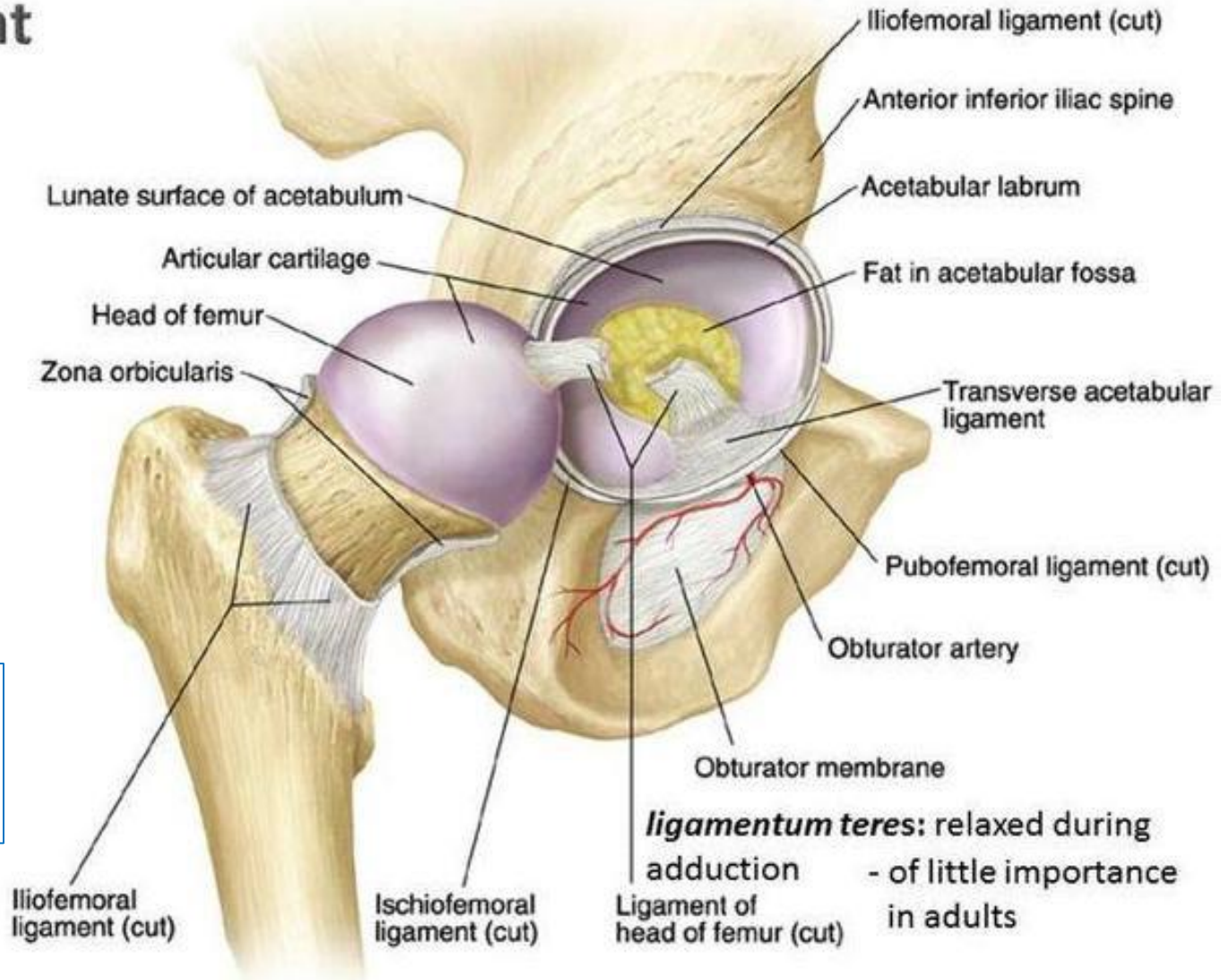


The hip joint (*articulatio coxae*)

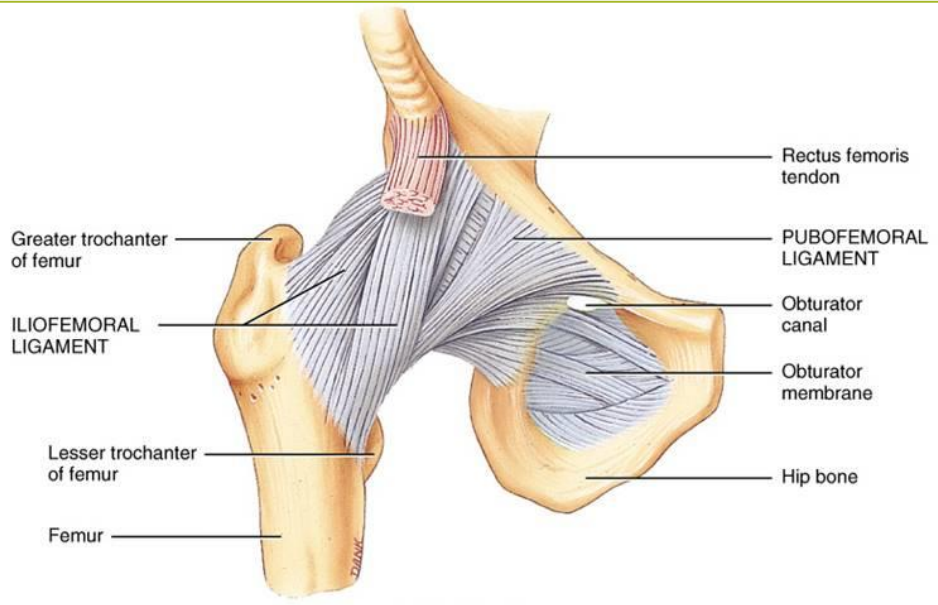
Hip Joint



The single blood supply source of the femoral head passes within the lig. capitis femoris!

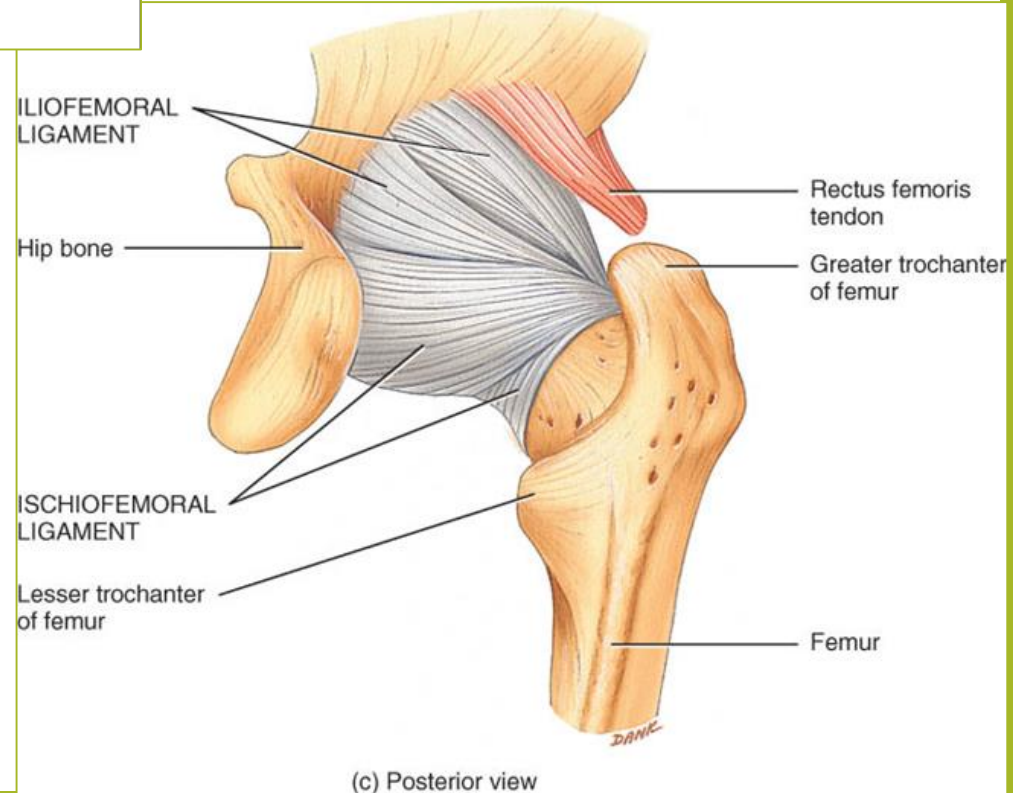


The hip joint

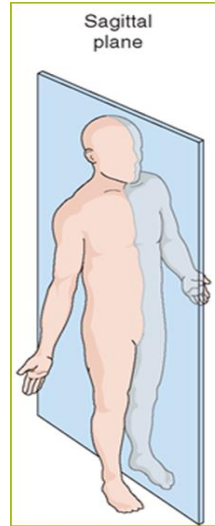
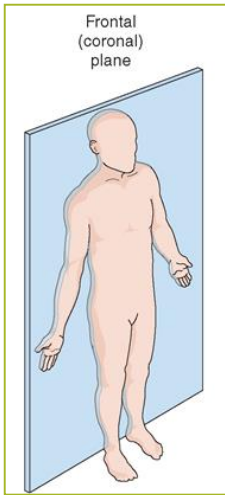
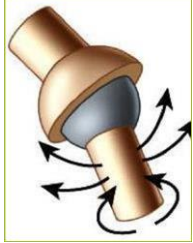


Ligaments:

- 1) Lig. iliofemorale
- 2) Lig. ischiofemorale
- 3) Lig. pubofemorale
- 4) Zona orbicularis
- 5) Lig. capitis femoris



The hip joint



Flexion



Extension

Flexion and extension
along frontal axis

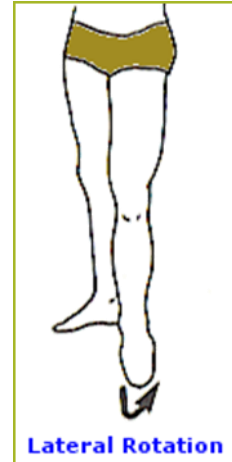


Abduction



Adduction

Adduction and abduction
along sagittal axis



Lateral Rotation



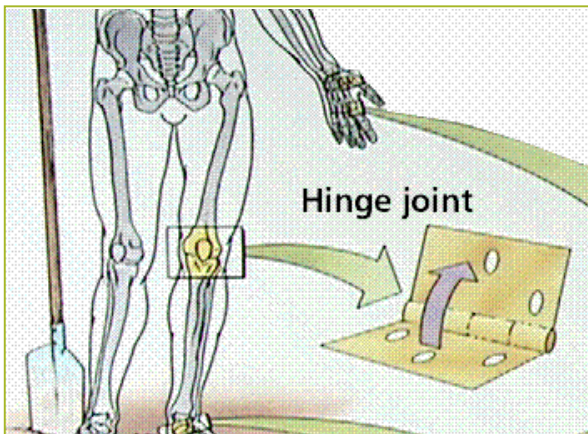
Medial Rotation

Rotation
along
vertical
axis

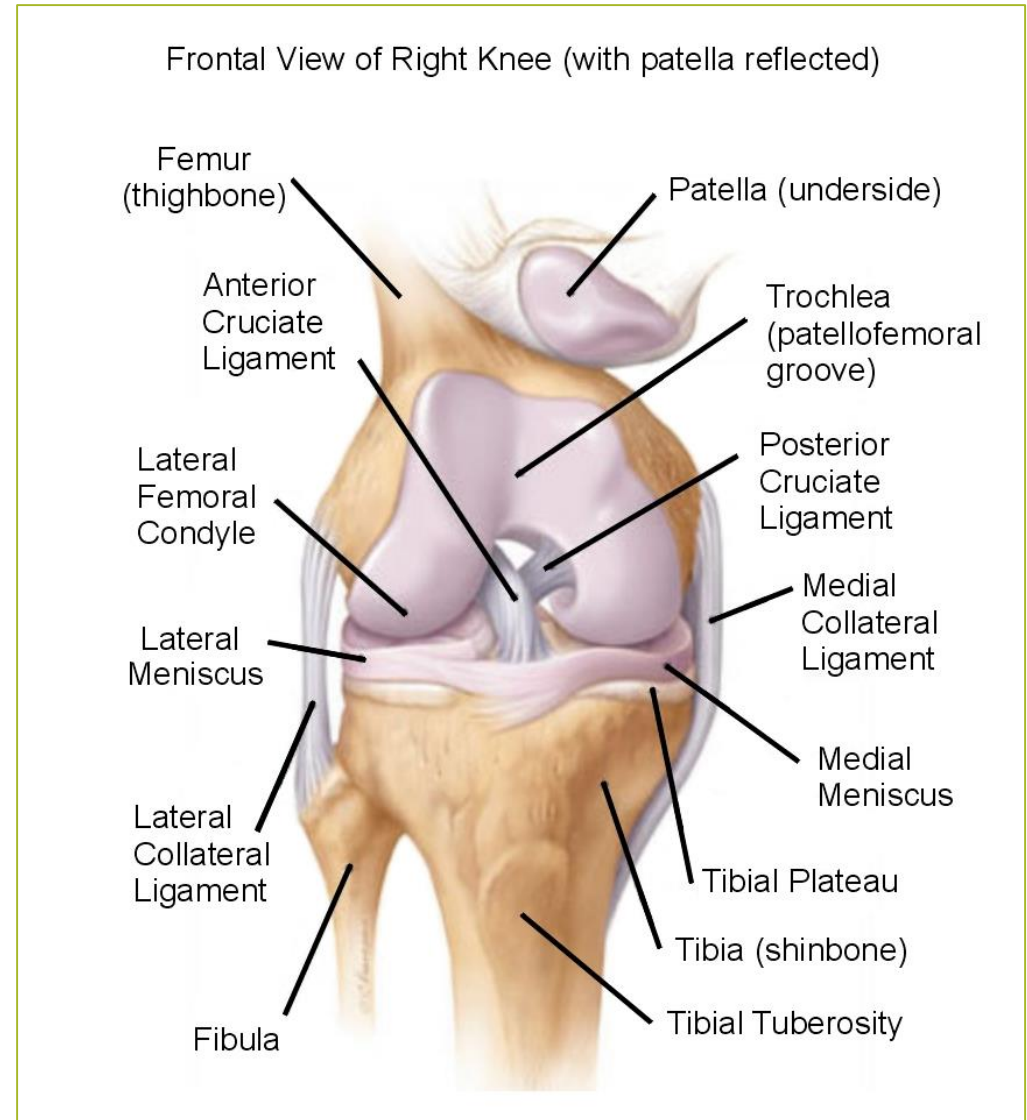
The knee joint (*articulatio genus*)

Articular surfaces:

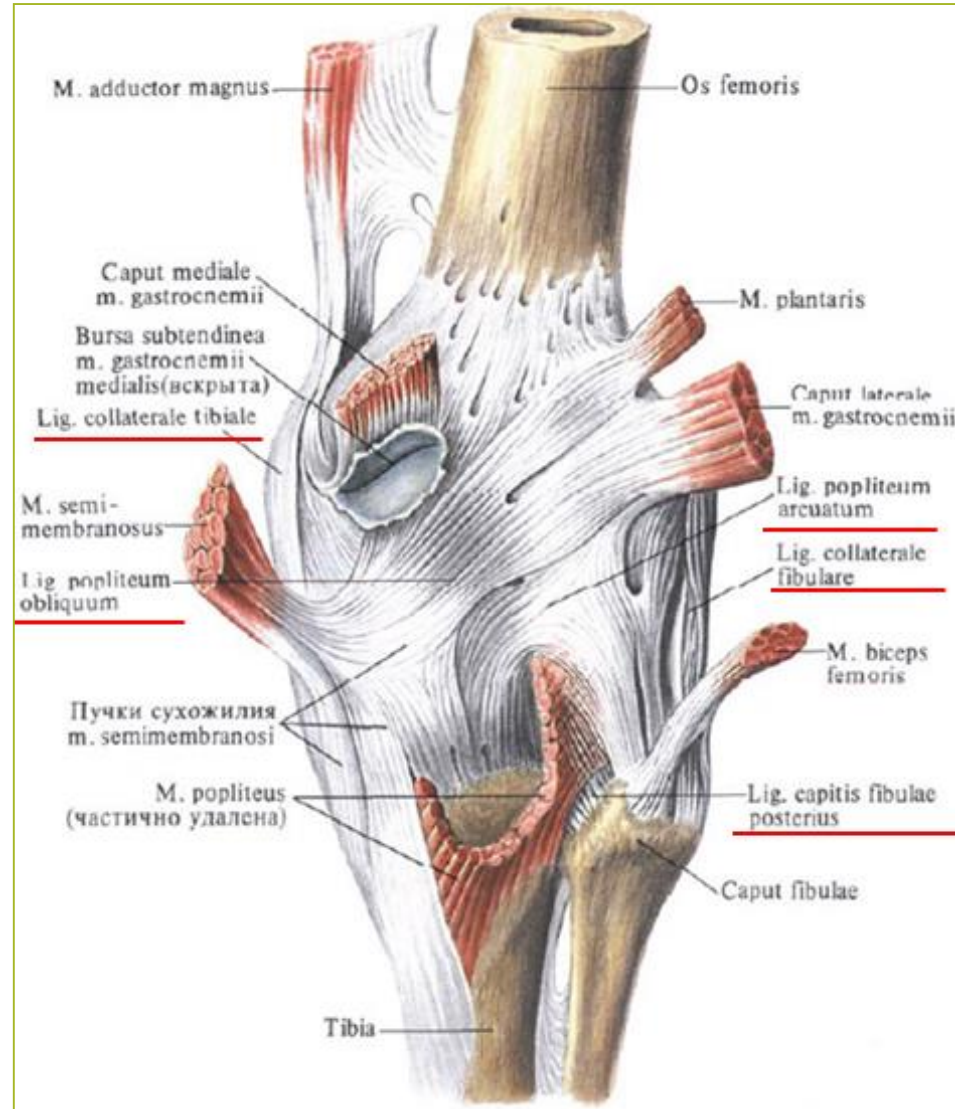
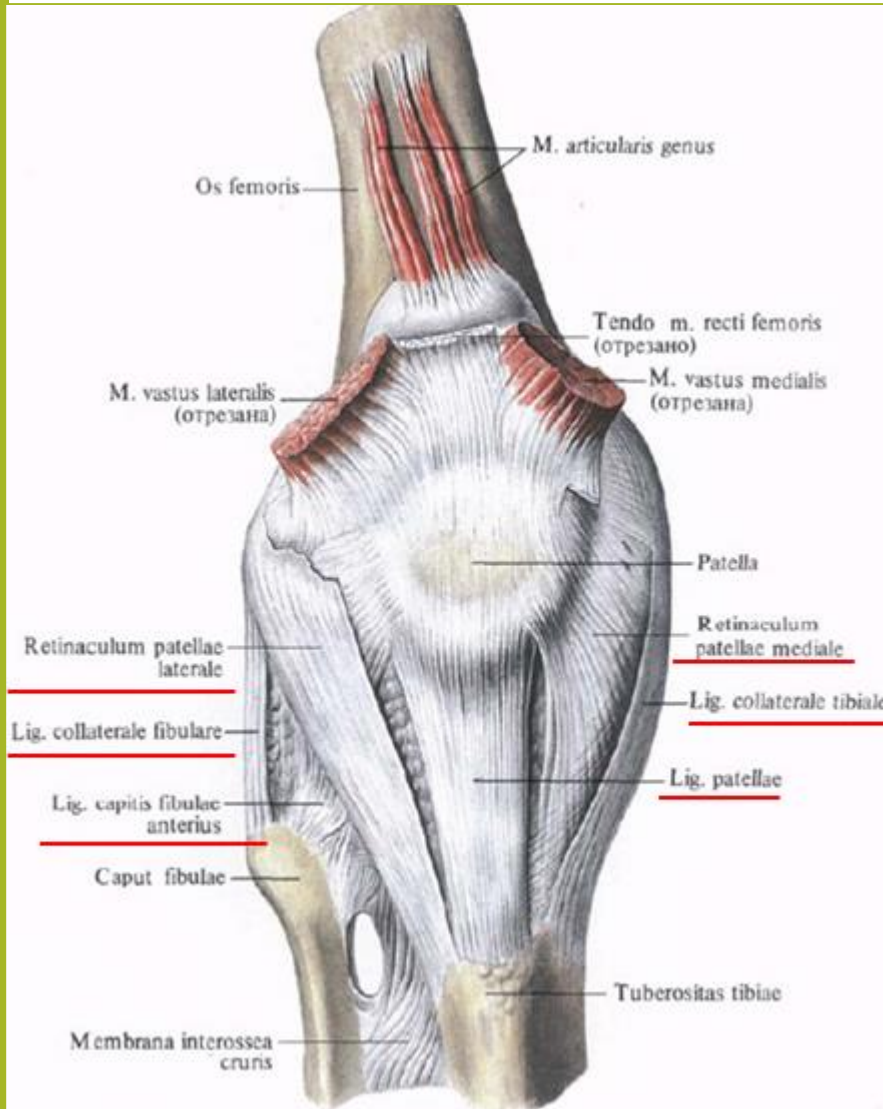
- Articular surface of medial and lateral condyle of femur
- Superior articular surface of tibia
- Articular surface of patella
- Patellar surface of femur



Complex bicondylar joint



The knee joint (*articulatio genus*)



Extra-articular ligaments

Anterolateral ligament of the knee joint

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Anatomy of the anterolateral ligament of the knee

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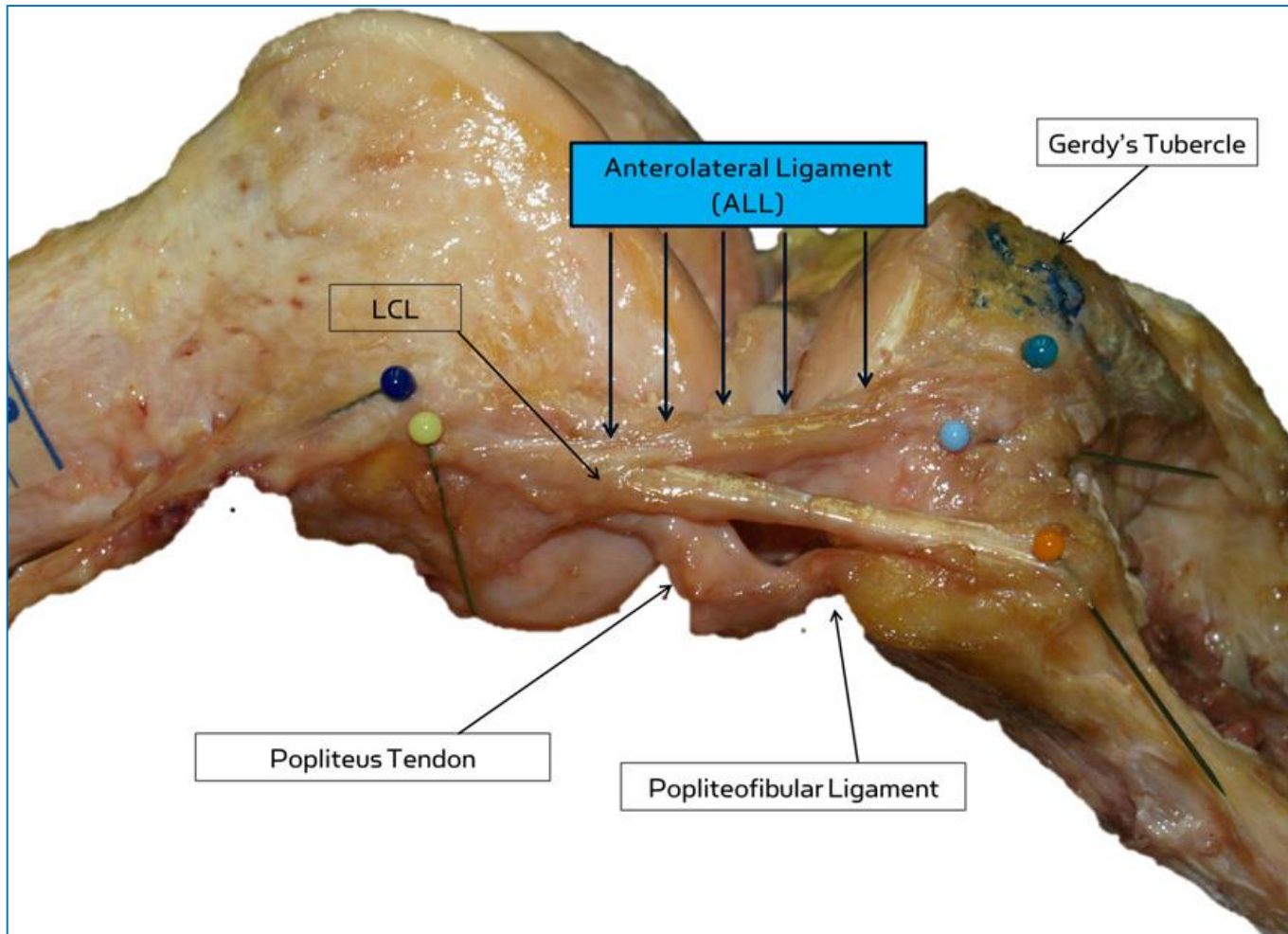
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Hypothesized function -
control internal tibial rotation,
stabilize internal rotation





Origin – on the prominence of the lateral femoral epicondyle

Insertion - the body of the ALL ran an oblique course to the anterolateral side of the proximal tibia.

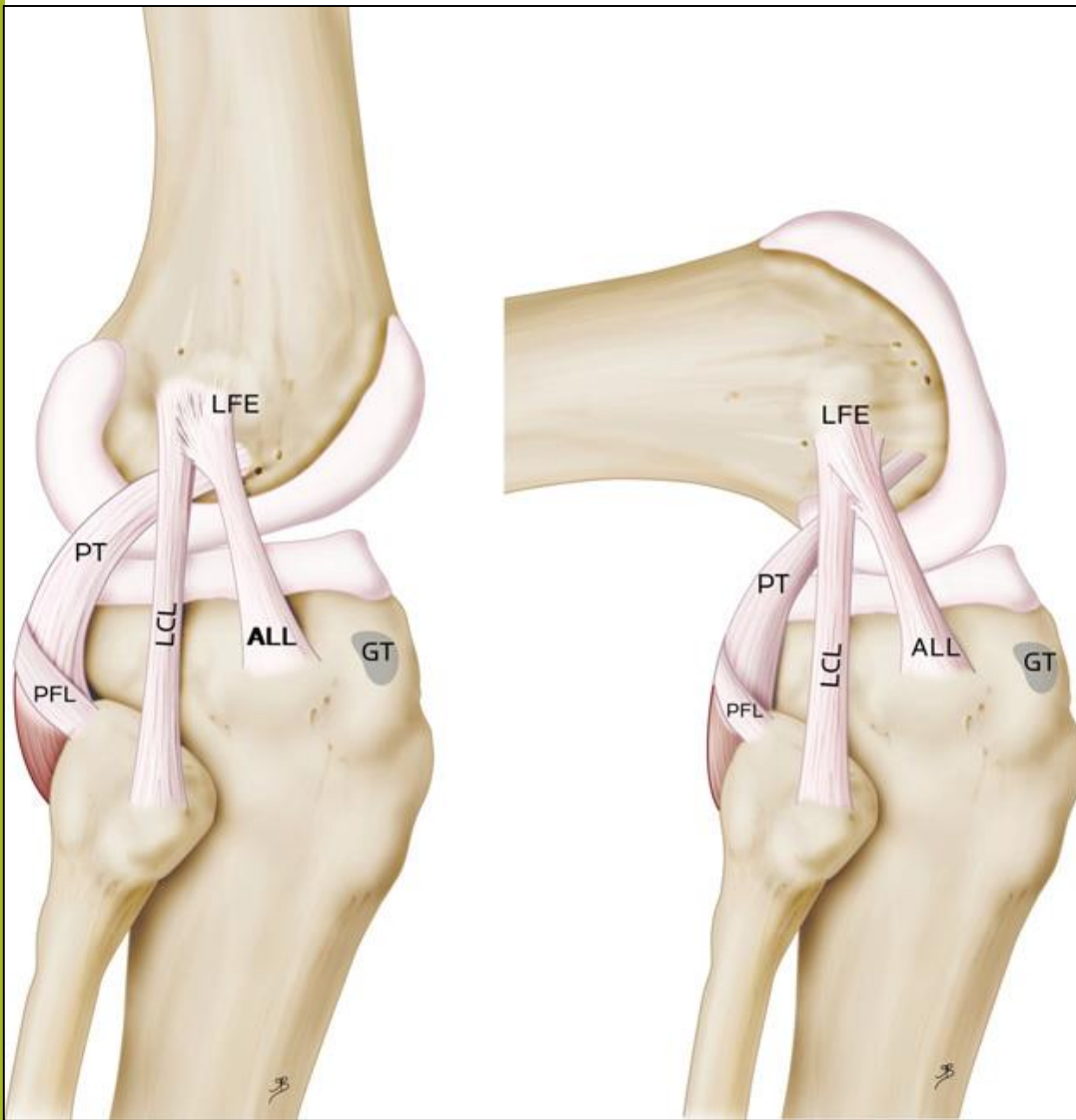


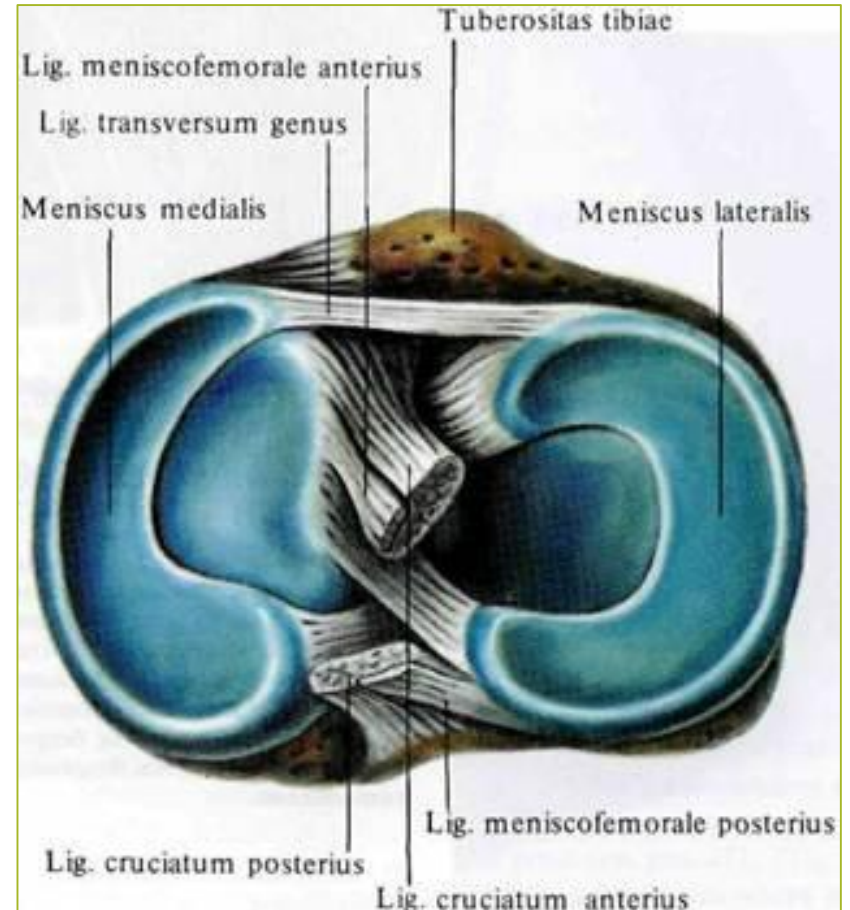
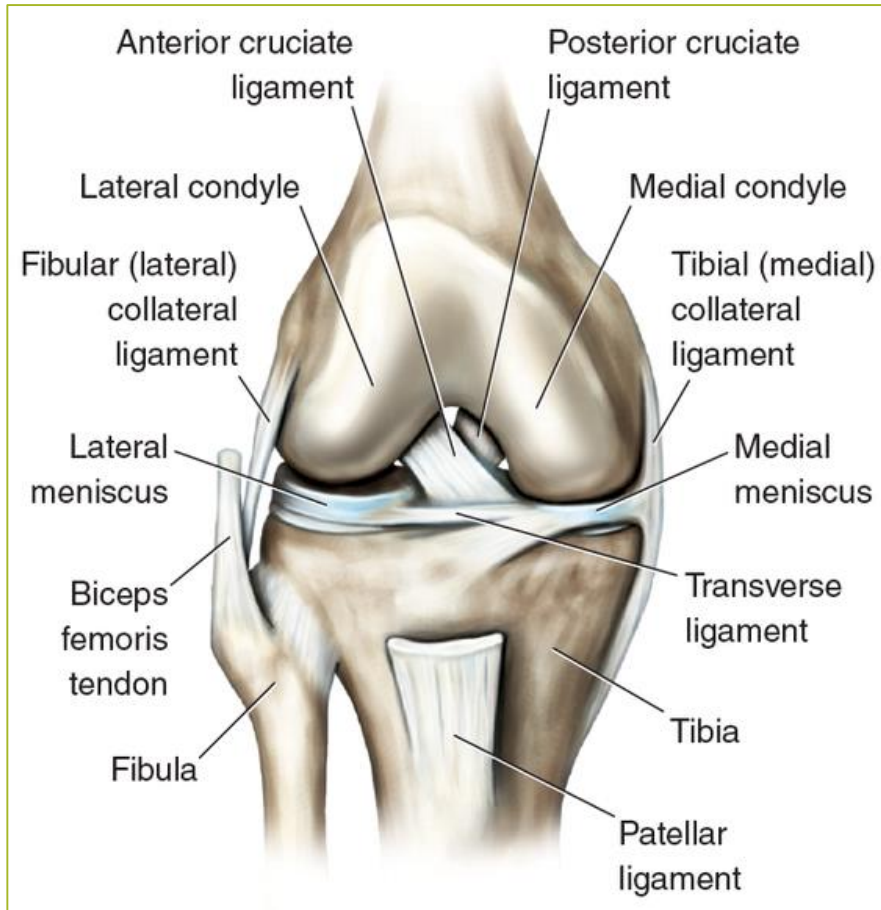
Fig. 4 Anatomic drawing considering the ALL and its relationship with well-known anatomical landmarks on the lateral aspect of the human knee.
 (A) Knee in full extension.
 (B) Knee in 90° of flexion.

ALL, anterolateral ligament;
 LCL, lateral collateral ligament;
 GT, Gerdy's tubercle;
 LFE, lateral femoral epicondyle;
 PT, popliteus tendon;
 PFL, popliteo-fibular ligament.



1879, years before the discovery of X-rays, **Dr. Paul Segond** described a remarkably constant avulsion fracture pattern at the anterolateral proximal tibia as a result of forced internal rotation at the knee (**Segond fracture**)

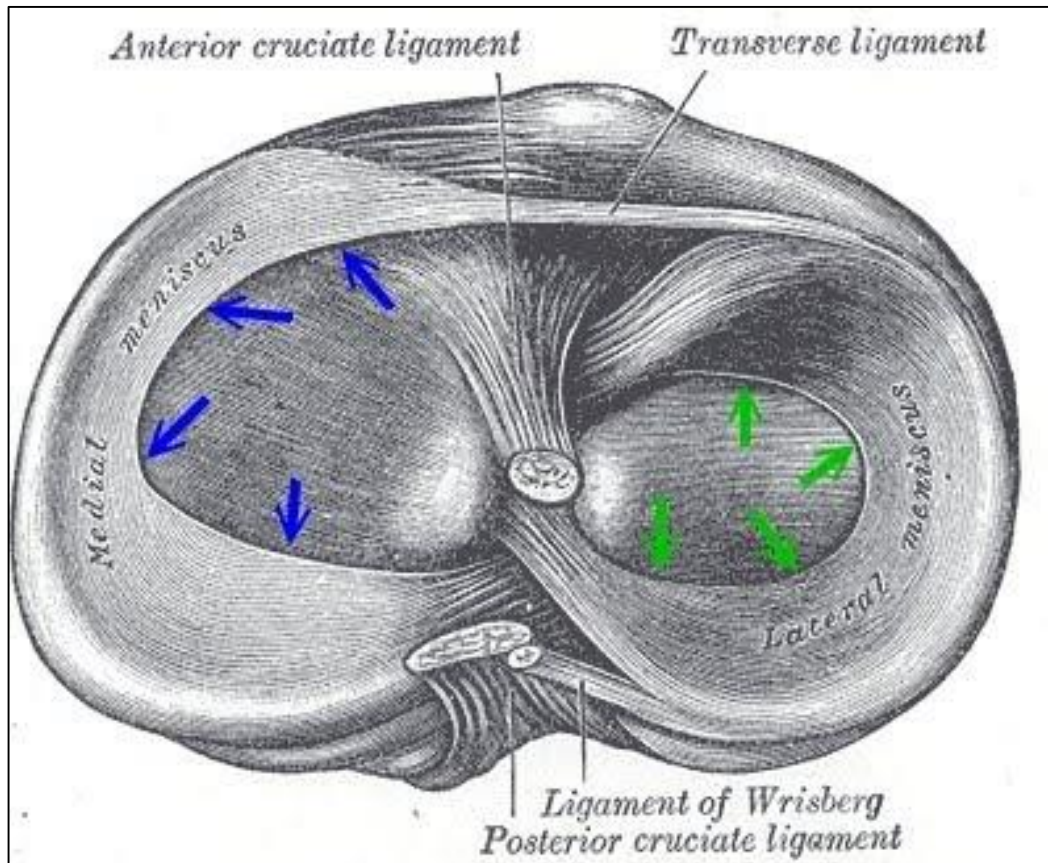
The knee joint (*articulatio genus*)



Intra-articular ligaments

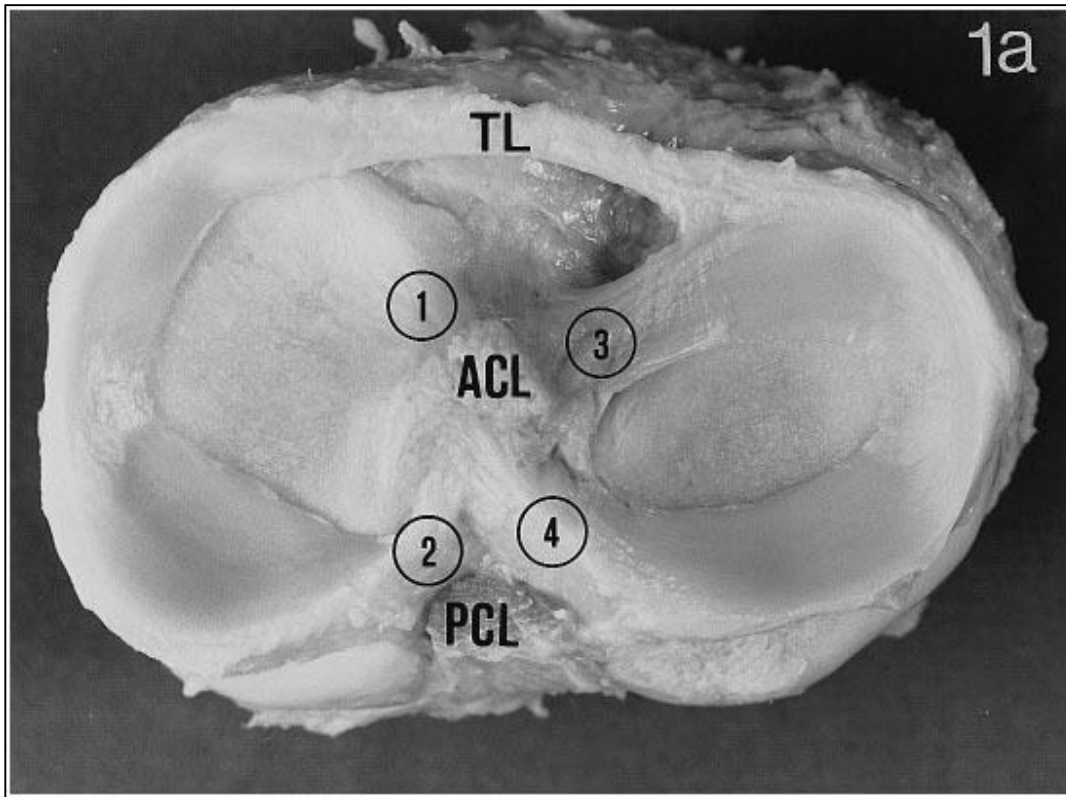
Lateral and medial menisci of the knee joint

(viscoelastic soft tissue)



Functions of the menisci:

- adapt articular surfaces of femur and tibia, increase their congruence, hence the stresses on tibial cartilage are reduced
- to distribute loads and therefore reduce the stresses on the tibia,
- joint stabilisation;
- shock absorption;
- joint lubrication;
- cartilage protection and prevention of osteoarthritis

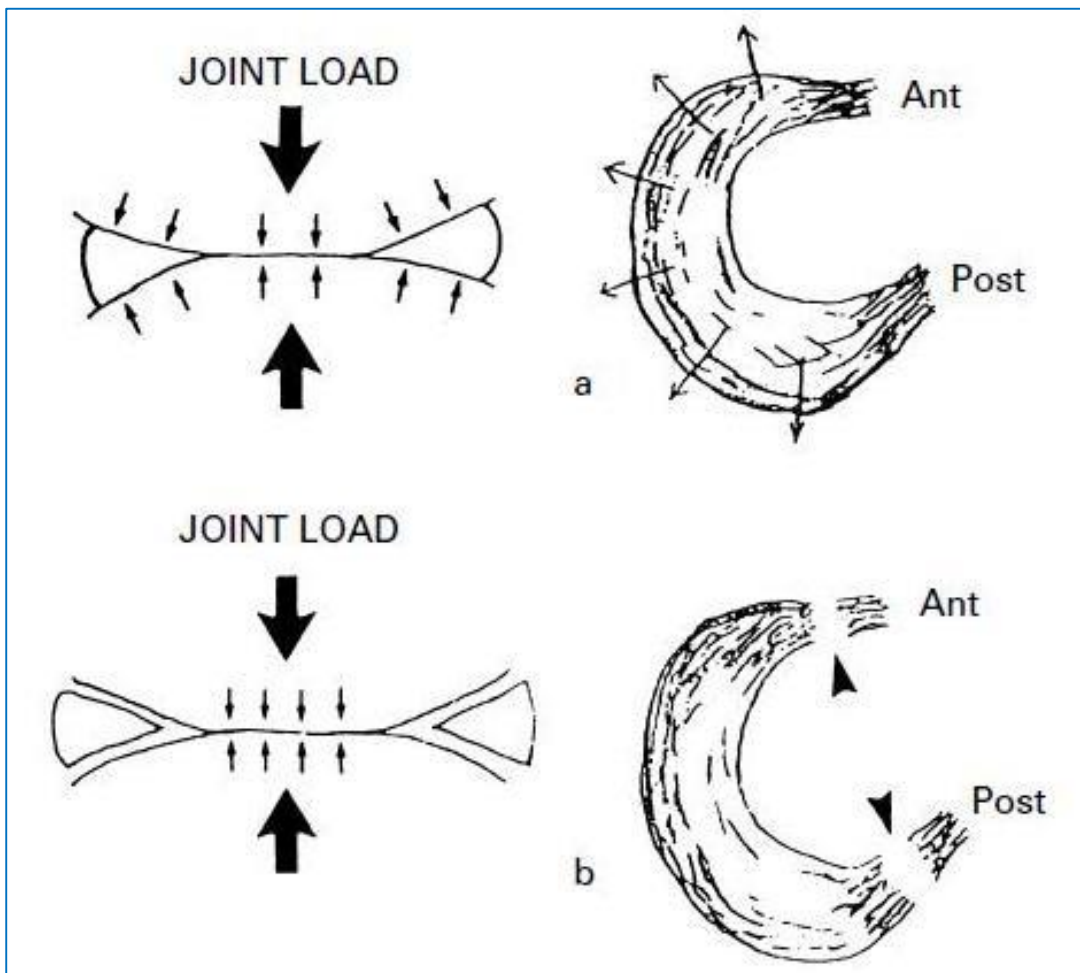


Human meniscus

Fig. 1. Human meniscus. (a) Right human knee joint viewed from above (the femur has been removed); the tibial tuberosity is on top. The medial and lateral menisci are connected by a transverse ligament (TL).

1 - anterior insertional ligament of the medial meniscus;
2 - posterior insertional ligament of the medial meniscus;
3 - anterior insertional ligament of the lateral meniscus;
4 - posterior insertional ligament of the lateral meniscus;
ACL - cross section of the anterior cruciate ligament;
PCL - cross section of the posterior cruciate ligament.

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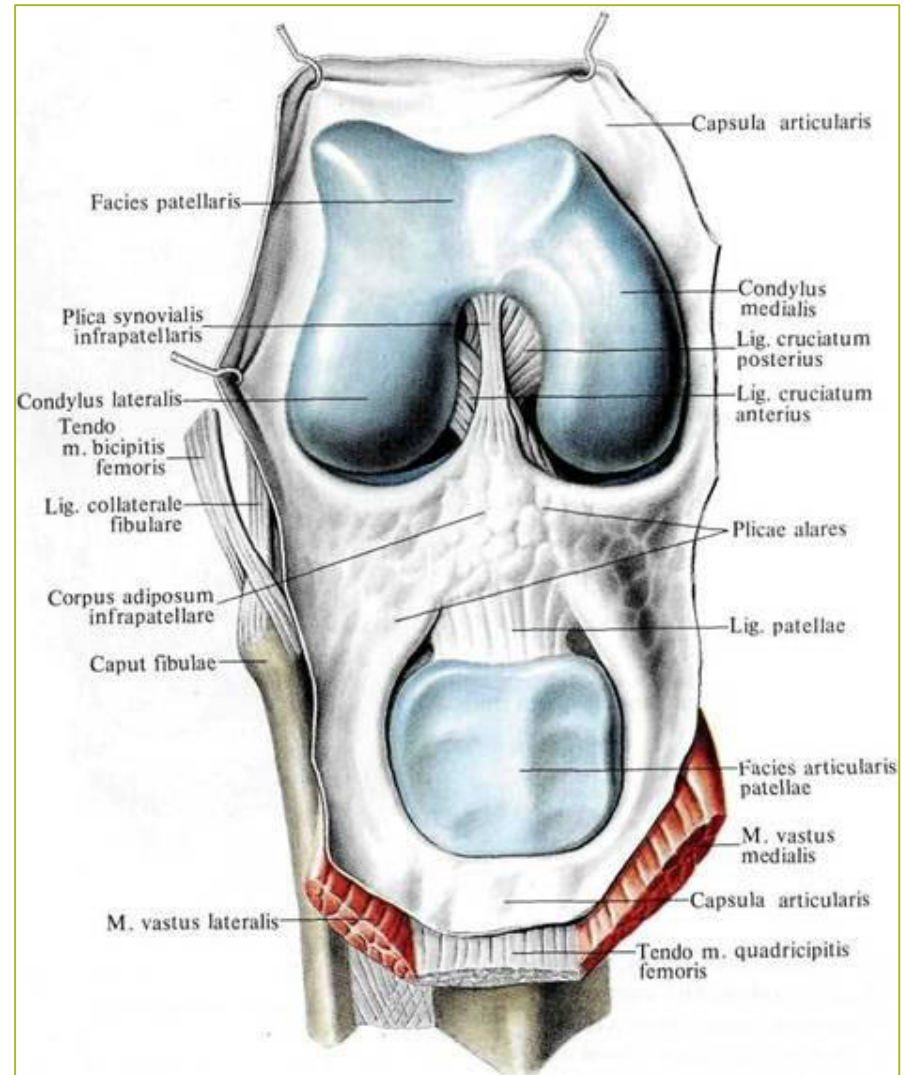
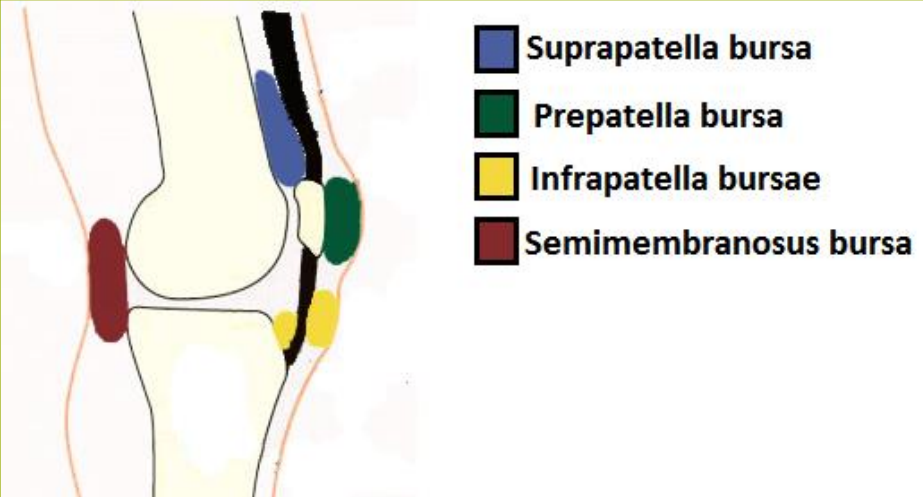


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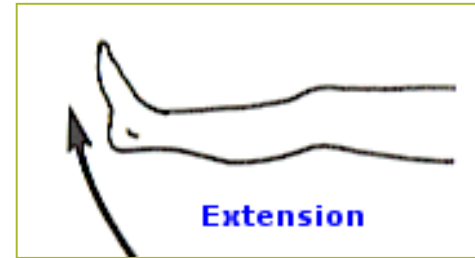
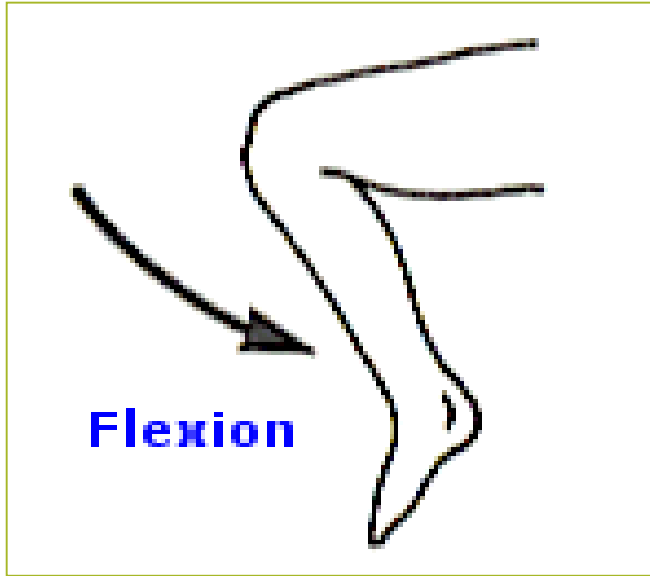
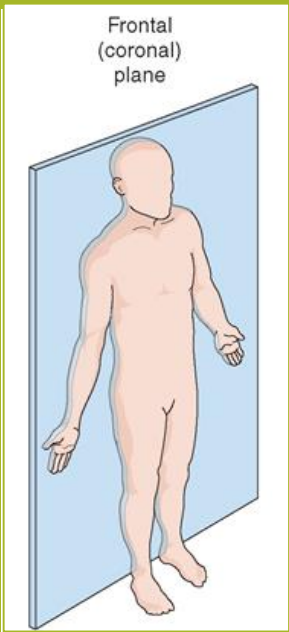
Fig. 2. Diagram demonstrating the importance of intact meniscal entheses for the load distribution function of the meniscus. (a) With intact entheses the load (thick arrows) is transmitted via the menisci and articular cartilage through a large contact area (left hand side of figure; small arrows). Part of the load is transformed to hoop stresses (right hand side of figure; long arrows). (b) When the insertional ligaments are transected (right hand side of figure; arrowheads), the meniscus will extrude from the knee joint during loading, and the load (left hand side of figure; thick arrows) is mainly transmitted via articular cartilage through a reduced contact area (small arrows).



The knee joint (*articulatio genus*)

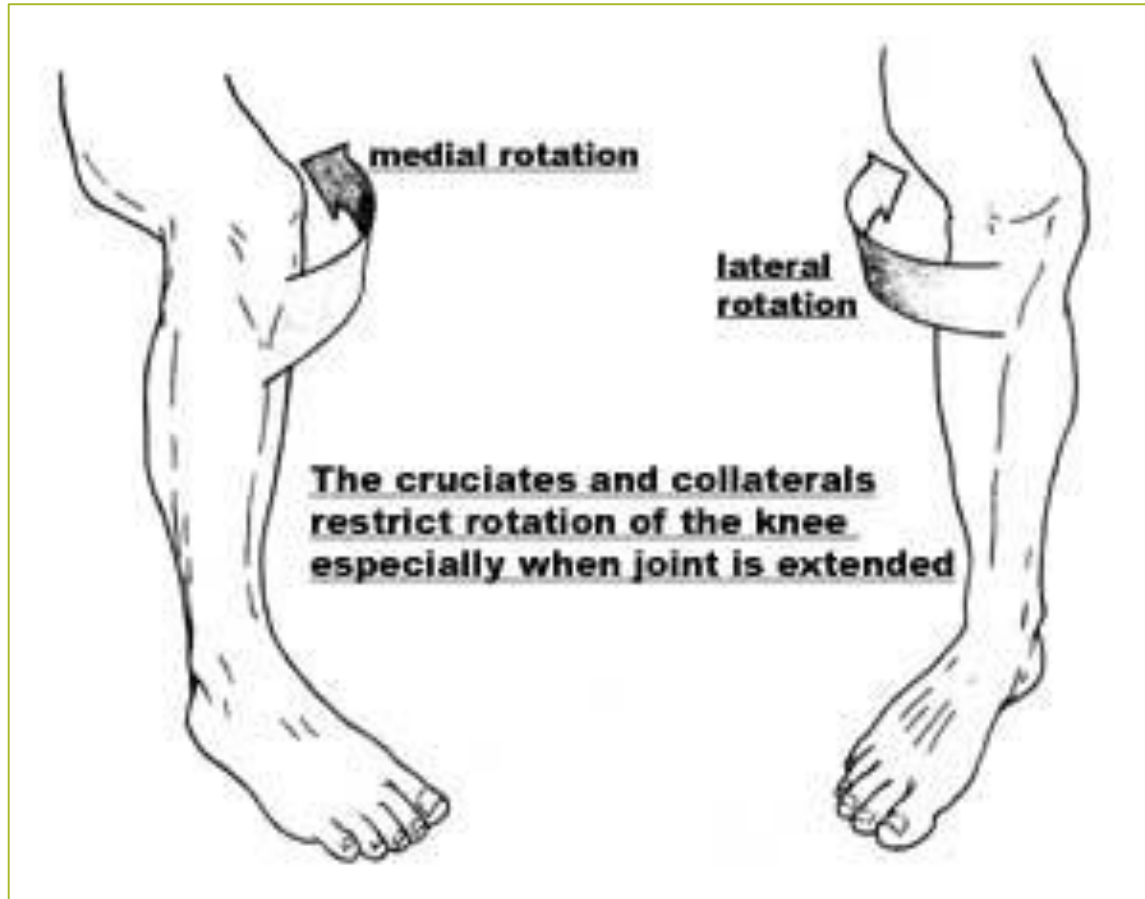


The knee joint



Flexion and extension along frontal axis

The knee joint

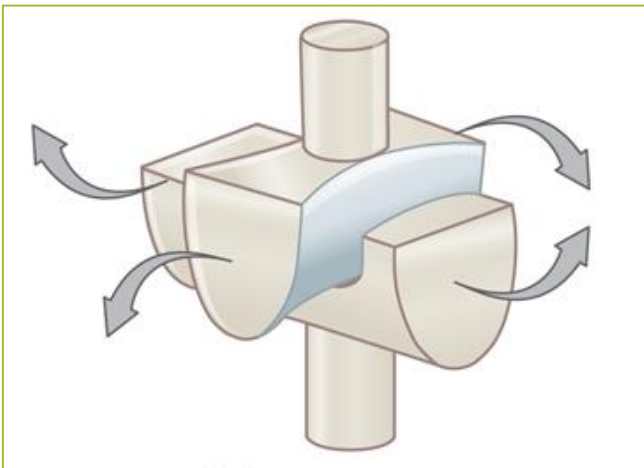


Rotation becomes possible when the knee is flexed!

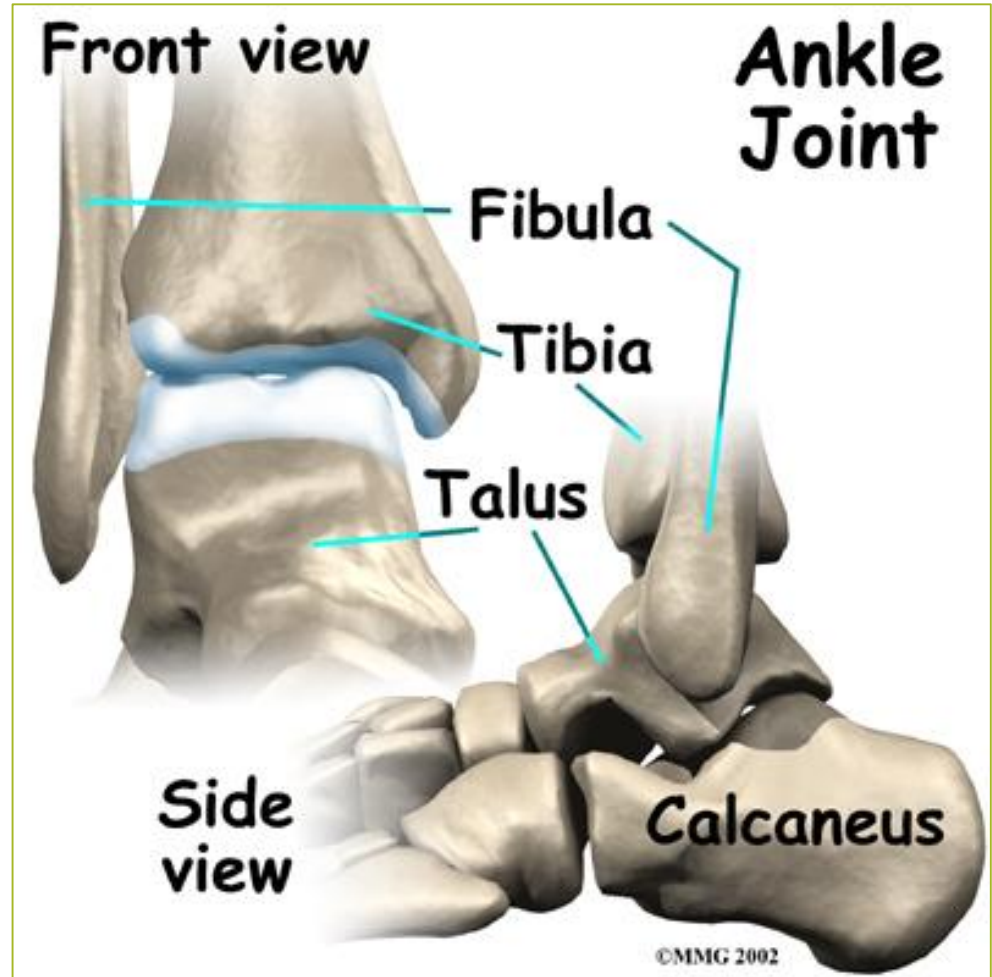
Ankle joint (*articulation talocruralis*)

Articular surfaces:

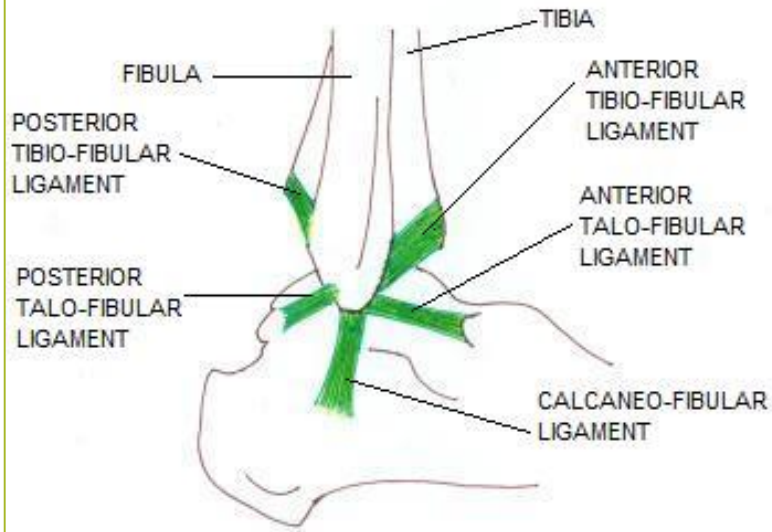
- Inferior articular surface of tibia
- Articular surface of medial malleoli (tibia)
- Articular surface of lateral malleoli (fibula)



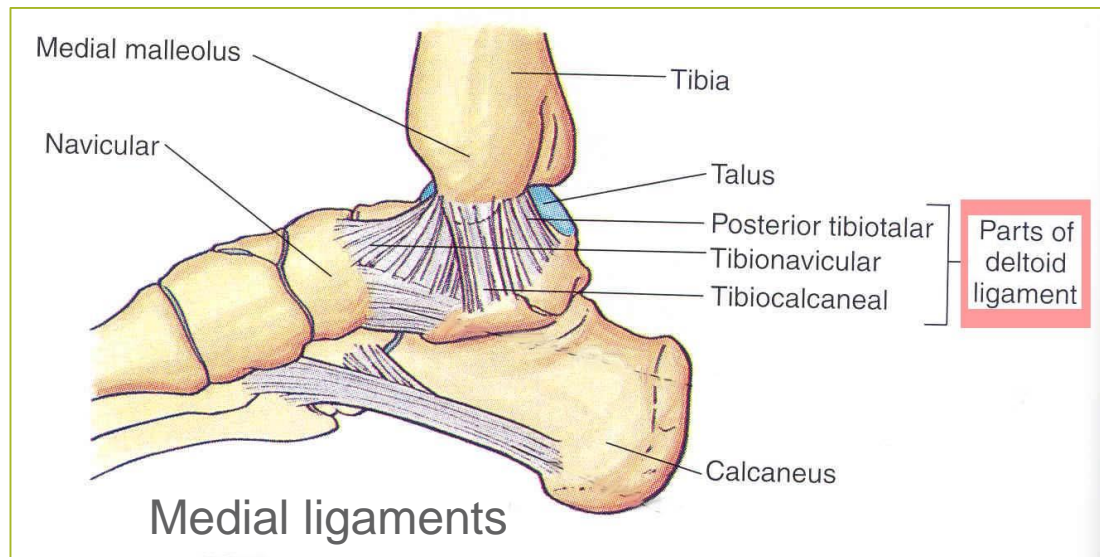
Complex saddle joint



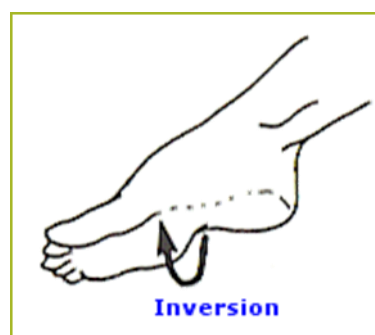
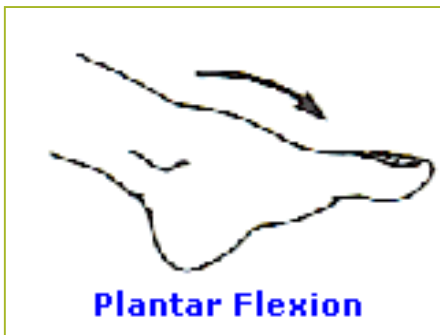
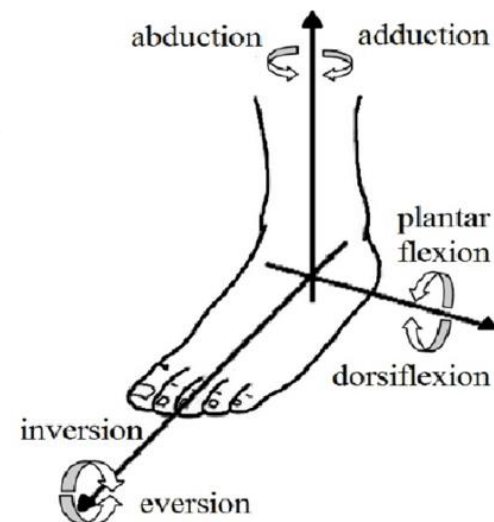
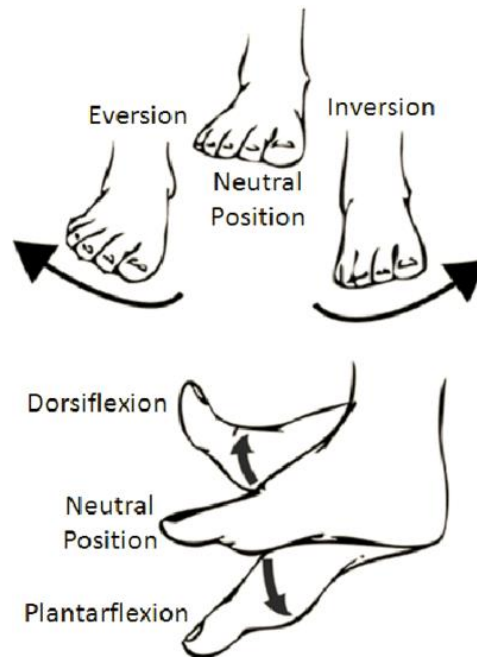
Ankle joint ligaments



LATERAL (OUTER) LIGAMENTS OF THE ANKLE JOINT



Ankle Joint



Plantar flexion and dorsi flexion along frontal axis

Inversion and eversion along vertical axis



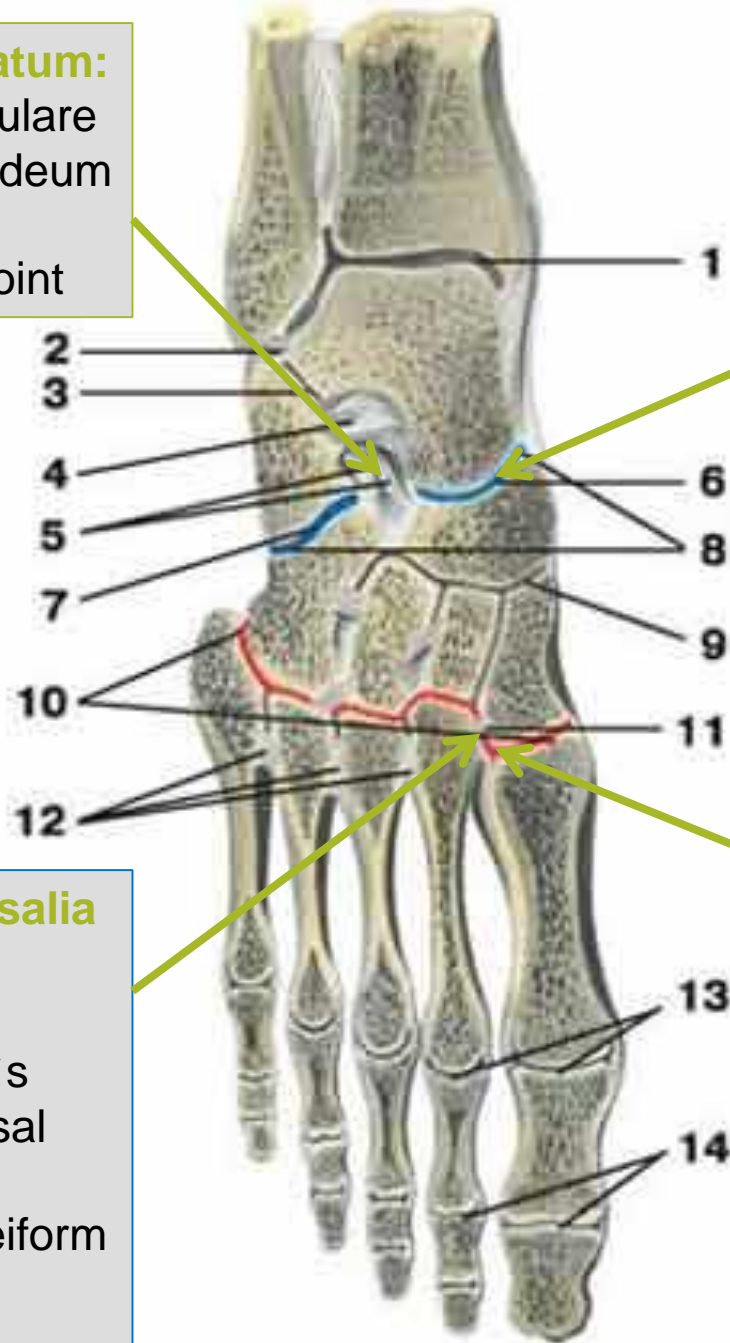
Ligamentum bifurcatum:

- lig. calcaneonaviculare
- lig. calcaneocuboideum

- “key” of Chopart`s joint

Ligg. cuneometatarsalia interossea:

The “key” of Lisfrank`s joint – cuneometatarsal interosseus ligament between medial cuneiform bone and second metatarsal bone



Articulatio tarsi transversa

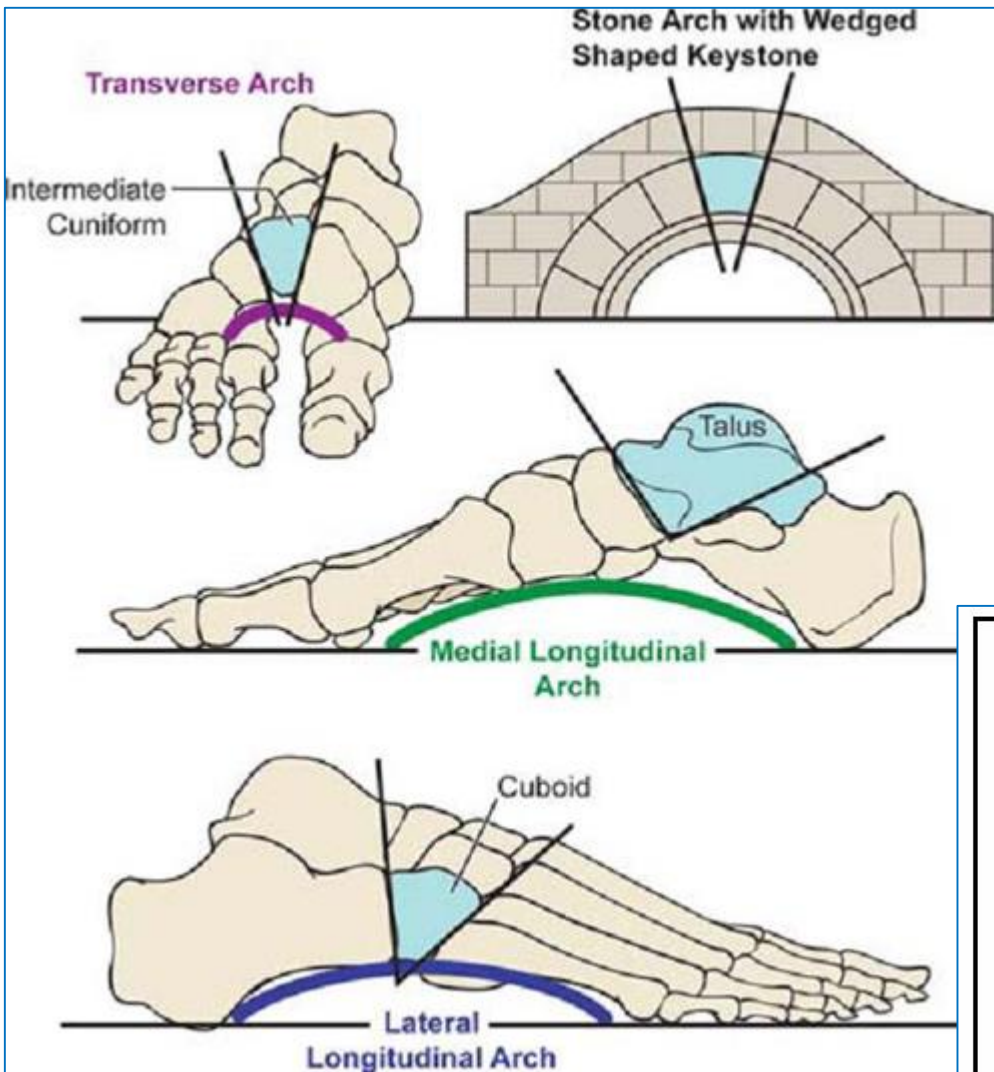
(Chopart`s joint) combines two joints:

- Calcaneocuboid joint
- Talonavicular joint

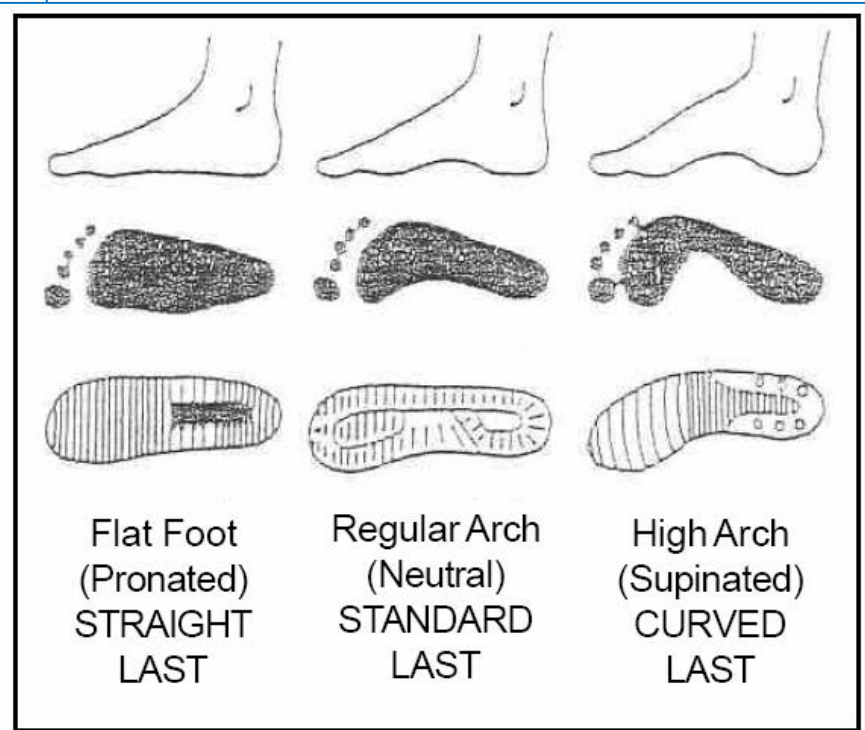
Articulatio tarsimetatarsales

(Lisfrank`s joint)

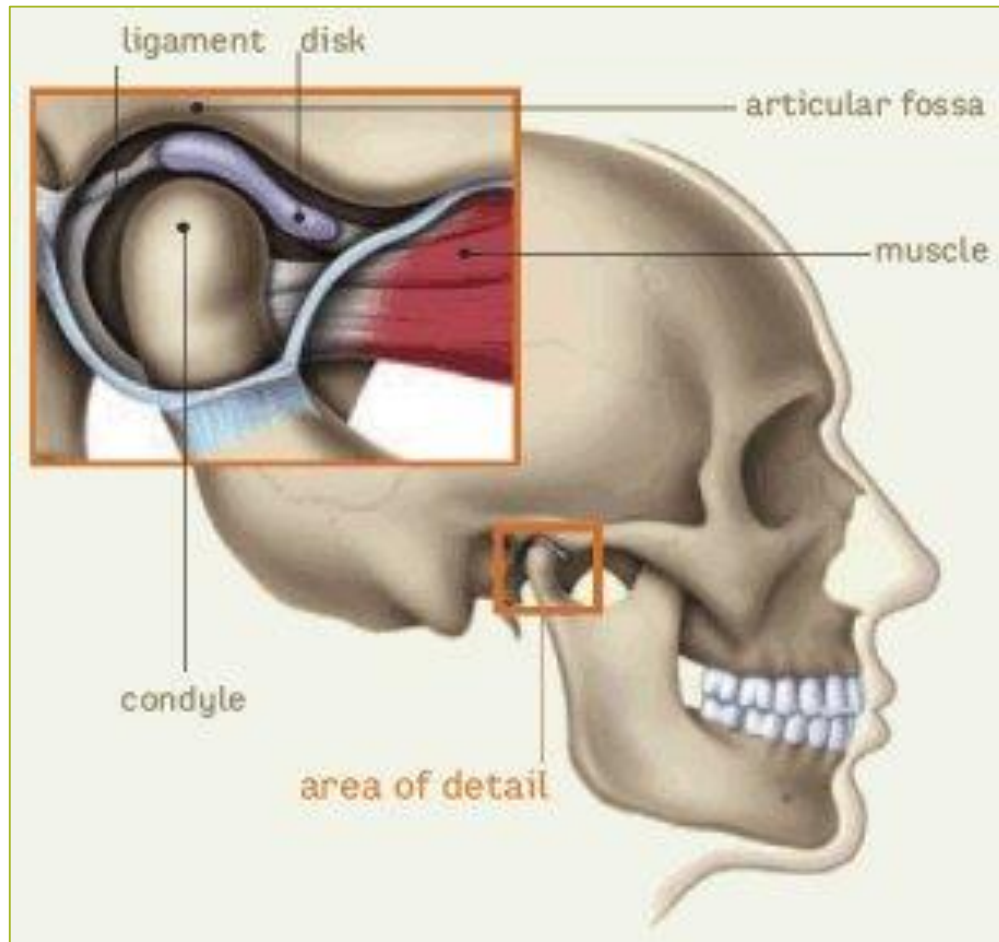
The Arches of Foot



- Weight distribution, amortization
- Adequate blood supply of foot

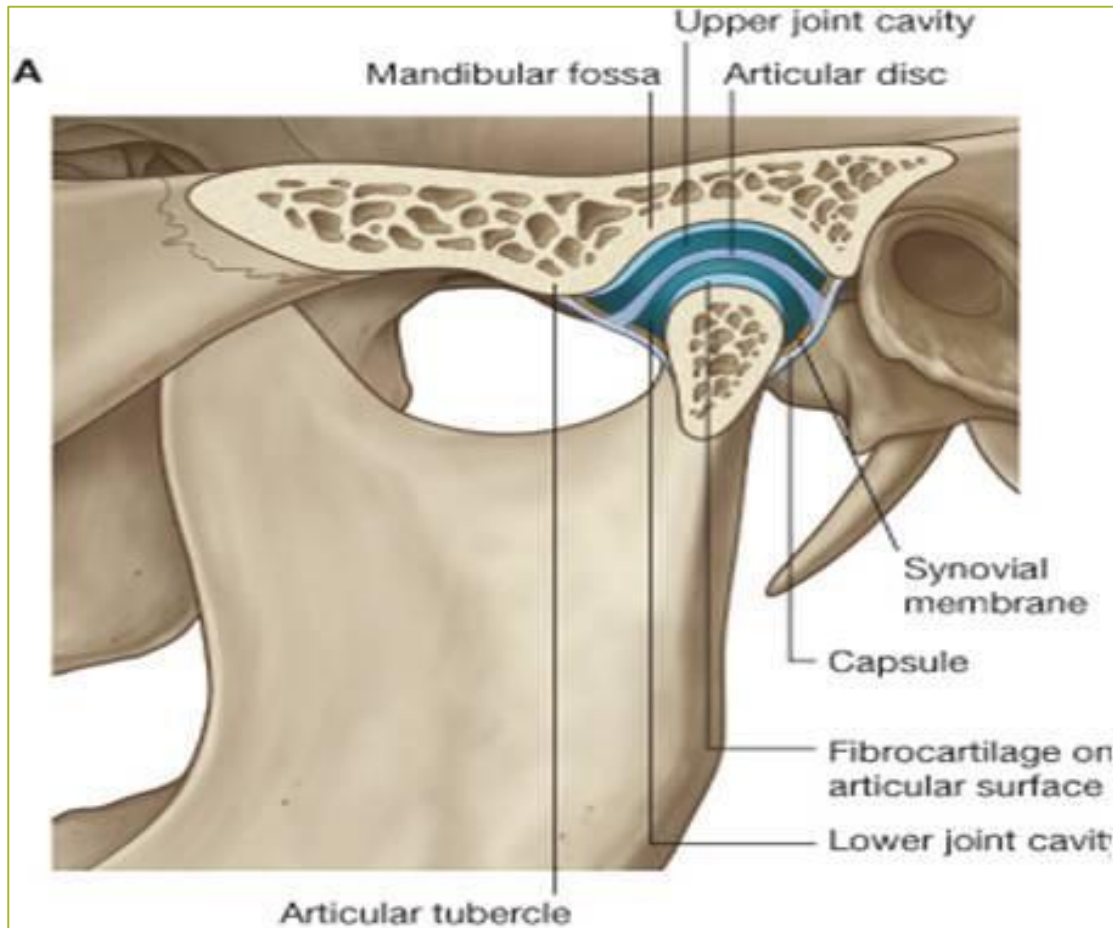


The temporomandibular joint (*articulatio temporomandibularis*, TMJ)



- Complex (+articular facets of the the disk) bicondylar combined joint

The temporomandibular joint

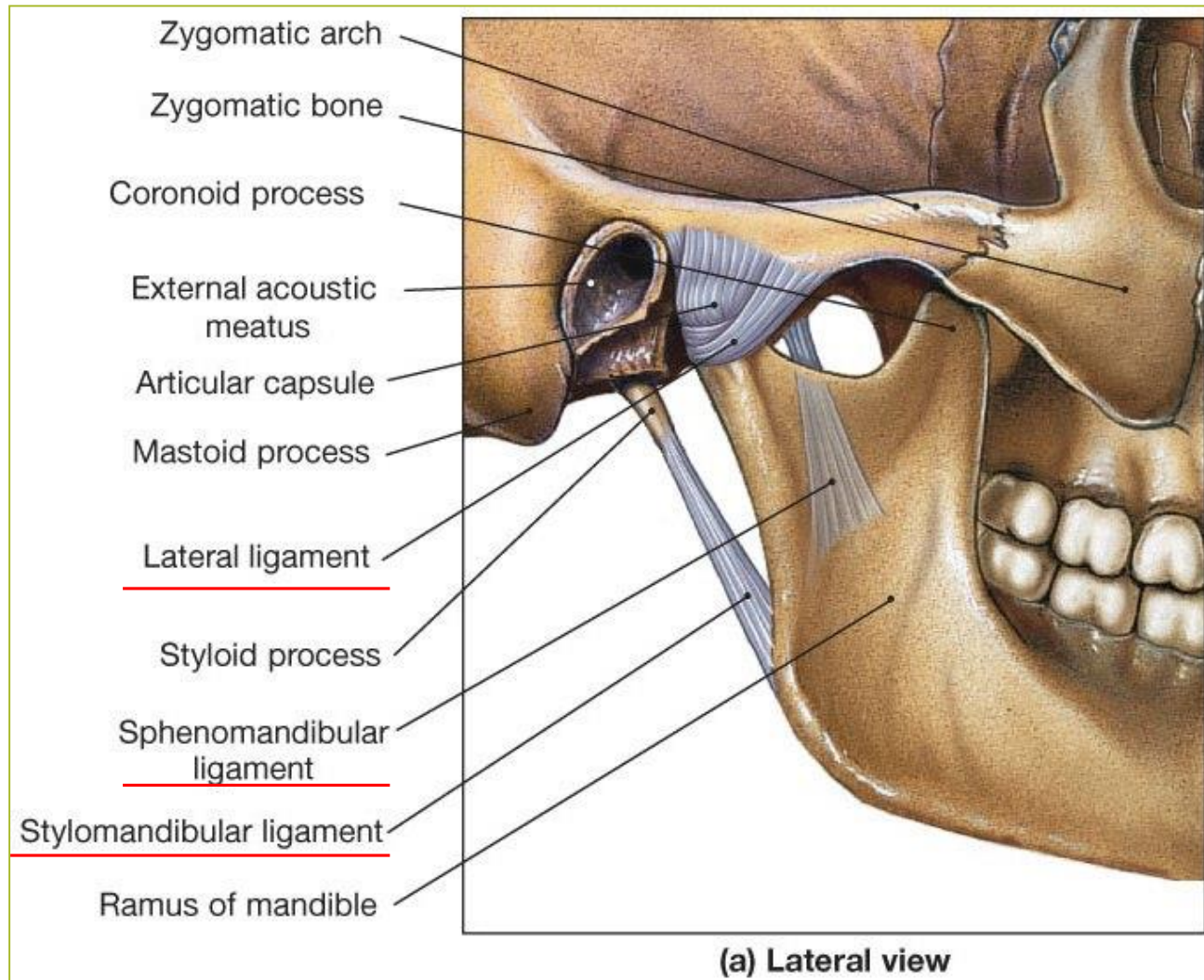


Disc is made out of fibrocartilage with markedly anteroposterior alignment.

Functions:

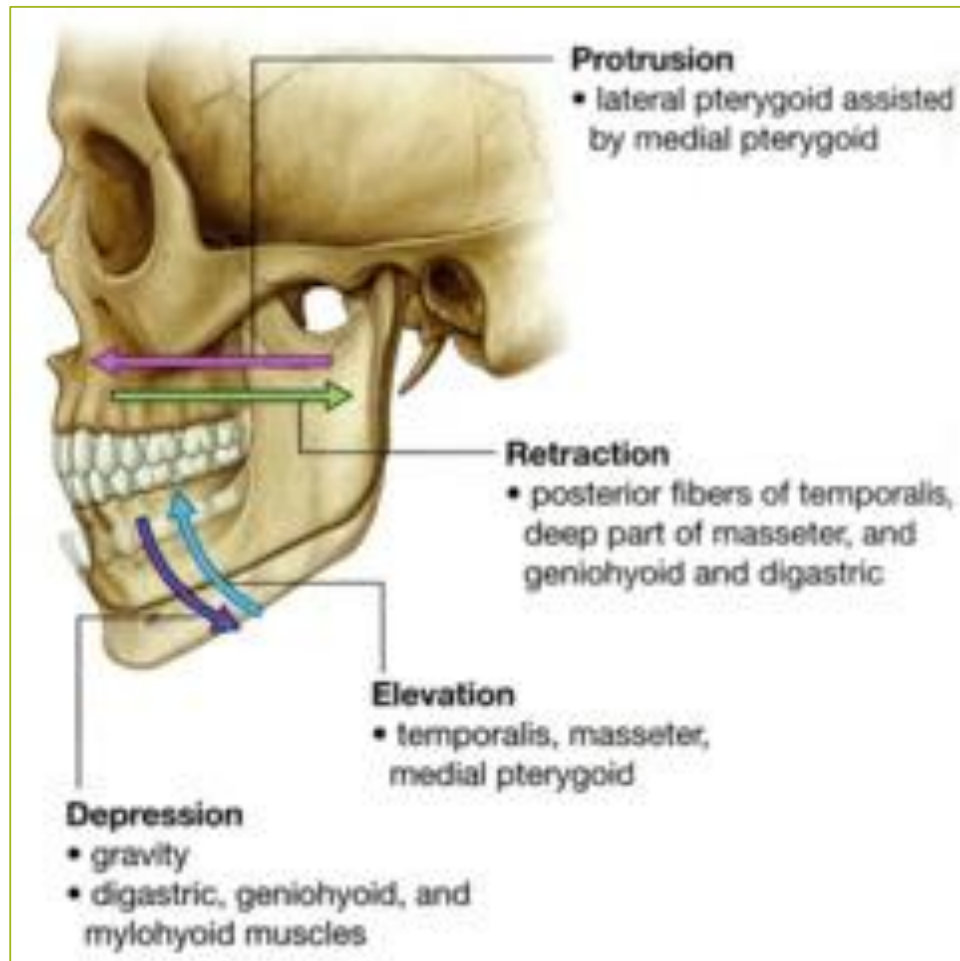
- 1) to diminish the effects of incongruence between the articular surfaces.
- 2) the disc acts as a shock absorber when the joint is subjected to impact loading.

- The surfaces are complemented by a *fibrous articular disc* (**discus articularis**) located between them. The edges of the disc are joined to the articular capsule as a result of which the articular cavity is separated into two isolated compartments.

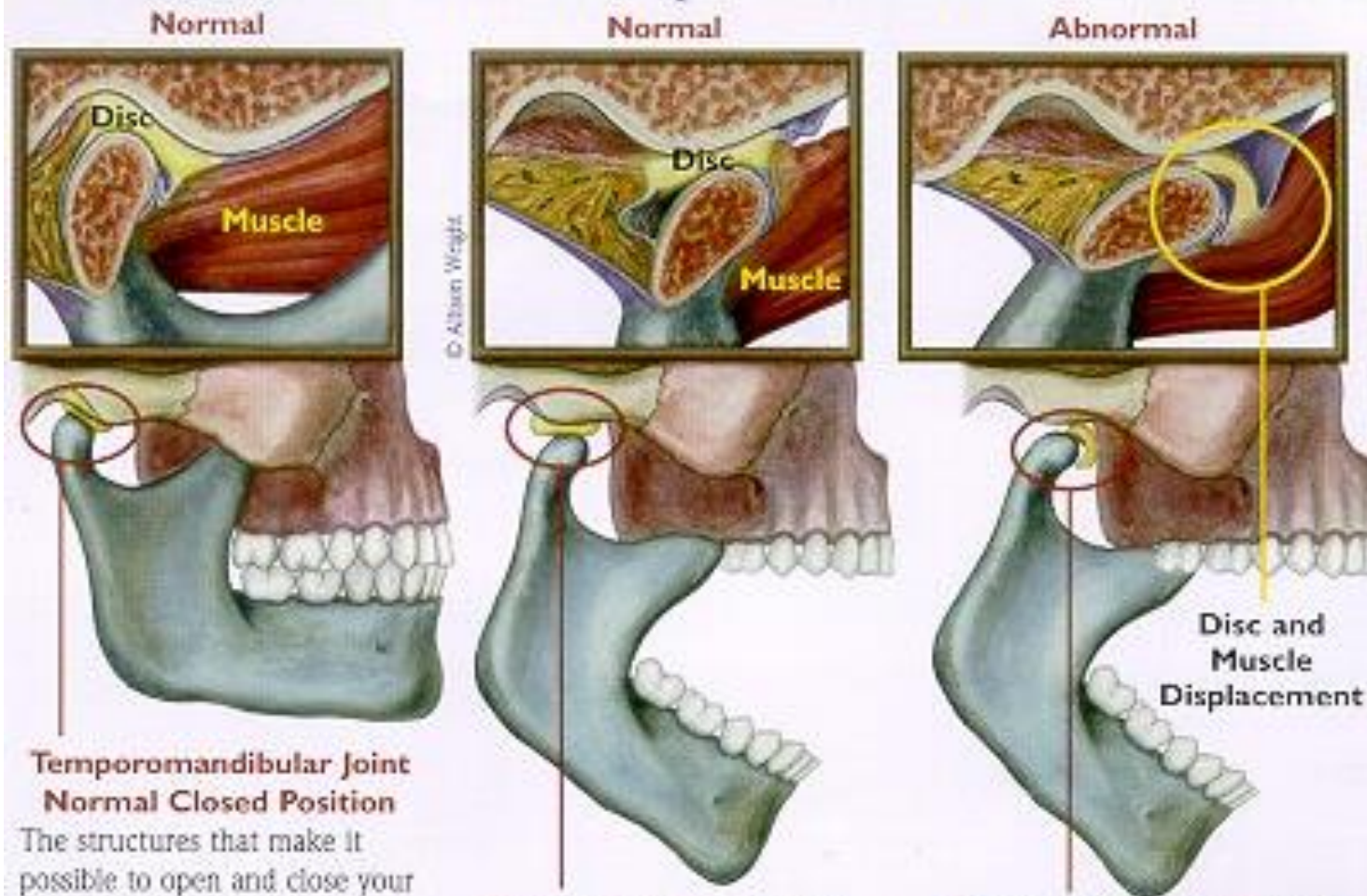


- **Articular capsule** is attached along the borders of articular surfaces. The mandibular neck is within the articular cavity.

Movements of the temporomandibular joint



Function of the Temporomandibular Joint



Temporomandibular Joint Normal Closed Position

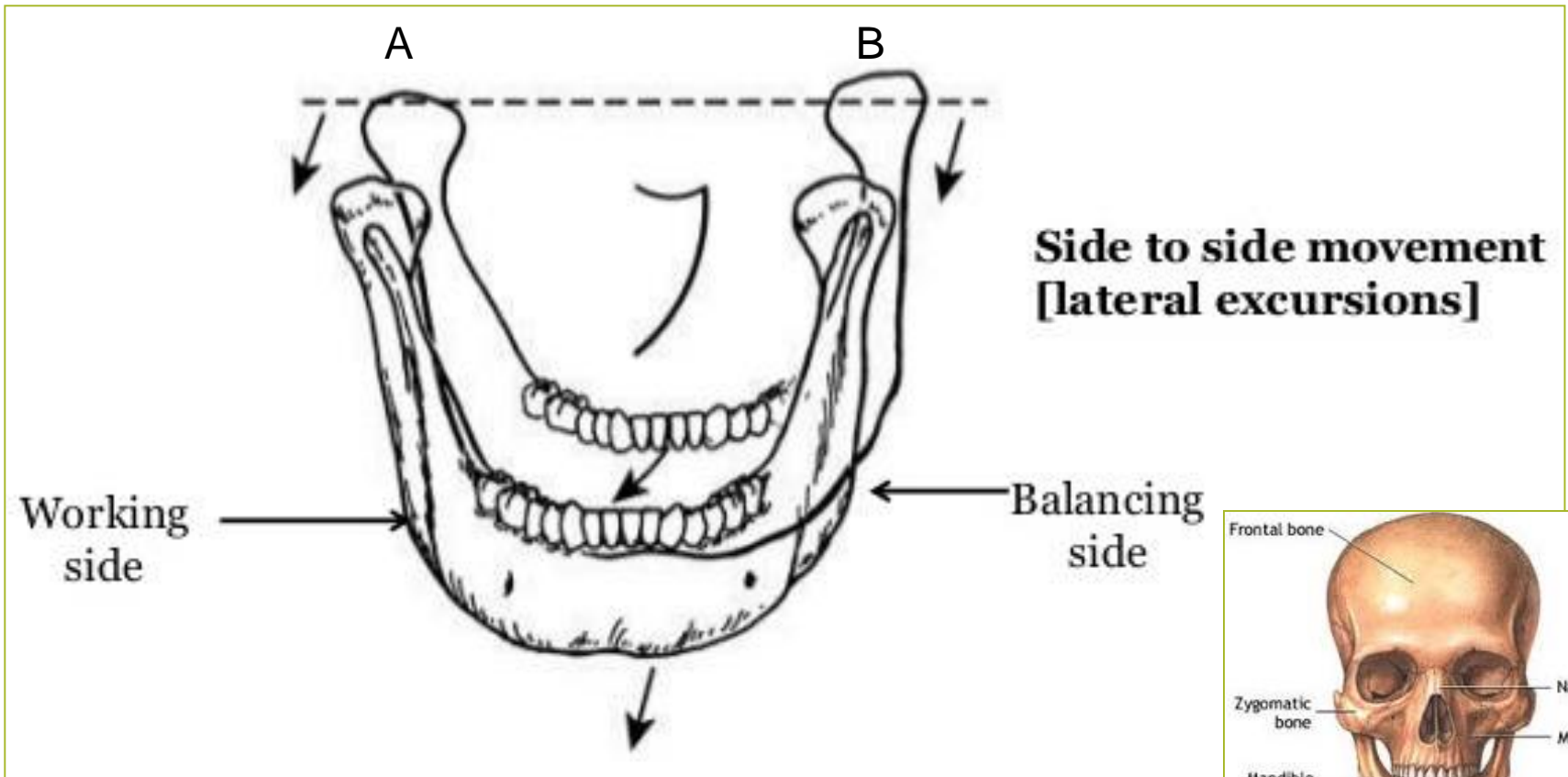
The structures that make it possible to open and close your mouth include the bones, joints, and muscles. When functioning correctly, your jawbone is separated from your skull by a soft disc that acts as a cushion when you chew, speak or swallow.

Temporomandibular Joint Normal Open Position

When the joint is functioning properly, the disc stays in place when the jaw is in use, preventing the bony structures from coming in contact.

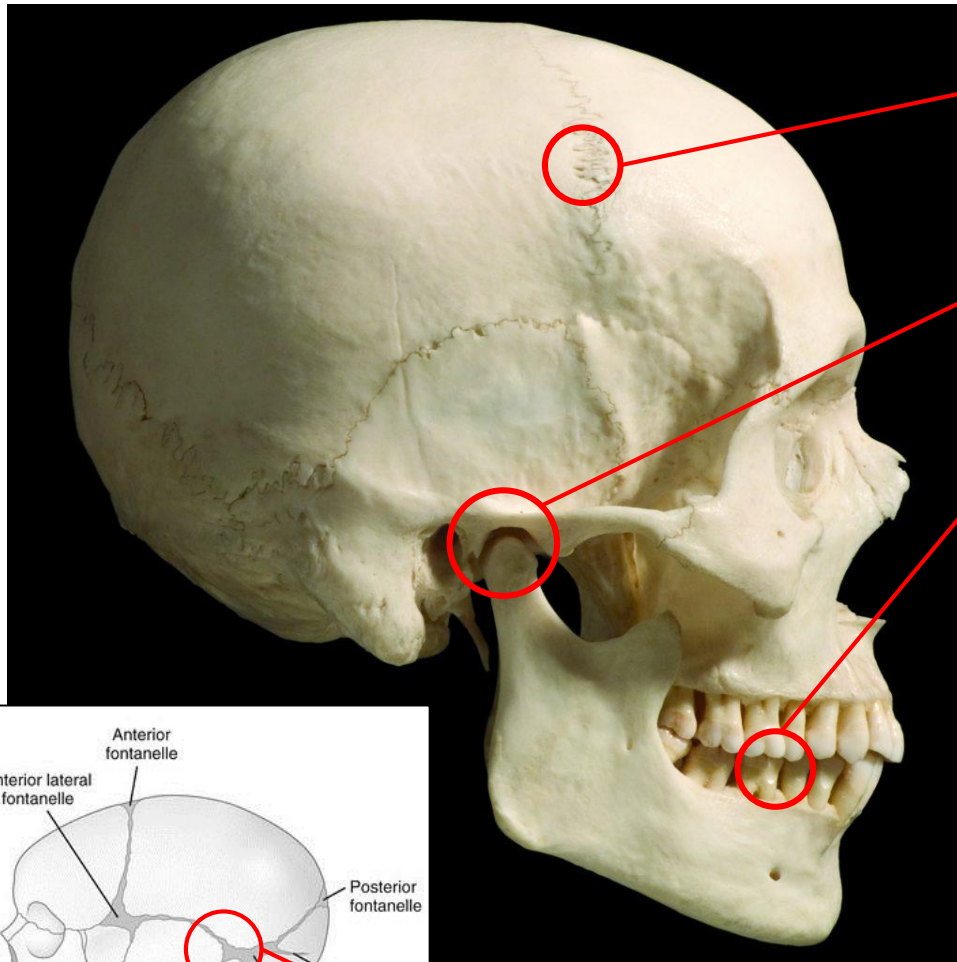
Temporomandibular Joint Dysfunctioning Open Position

When the joint is not functioning properly, the disc is commonly pulled forward when the jaw is in use, causing the bones of the skull and jaw to grind together.



* When the mandible moves laterally, one condyle (B) moves forward (first two steps of opening) and a bit inward, while the other condyle (A) will shift slightly in a lateroposterior (or rotate in vertical axis) direction

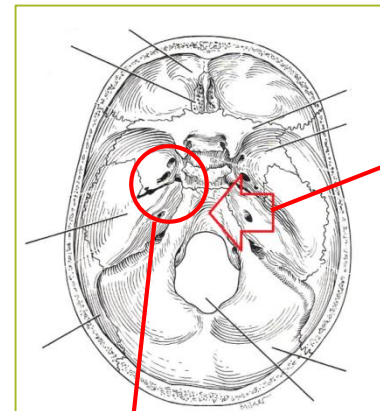
* Cranium as a whole



Sutures (syndesmosis):
- plane, serrate and squamos sutures.

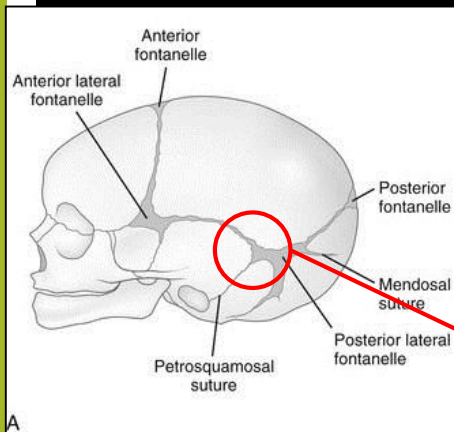
Diarthrosis:
- Temporomandibular joint (complex, condylar, biaxial, combined joint).

Gomphosis (syndesmosis):
- dentoalveolar junction.

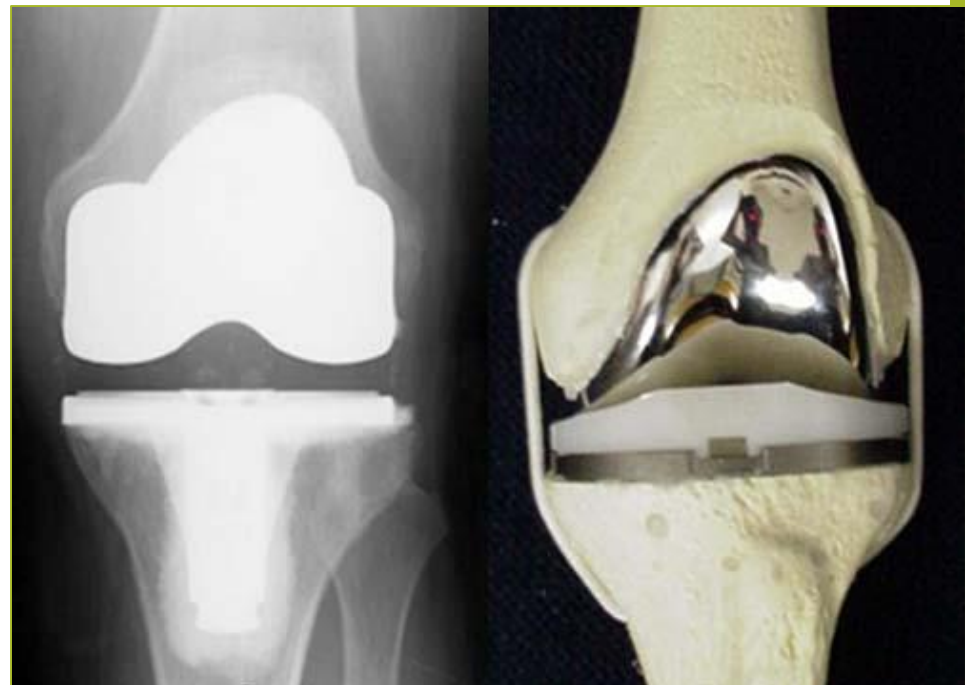
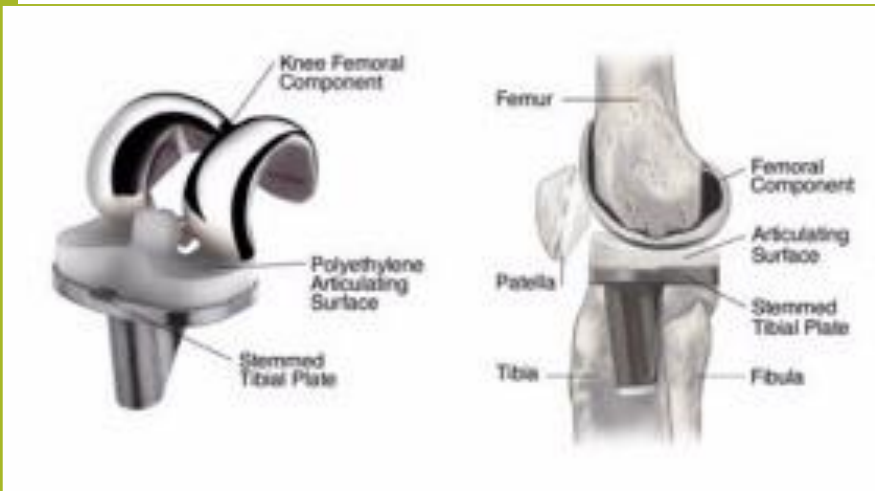


Clivus:
- temporary sphenoccipital synchondrosis becomes *clivus*
- synostosis

Fontanells (syndesmosis):
- newborn baby cranium.



Permanent synchondroses:
- *synchondrosis petrooccipitalis*
- *synchondrosis sphenopetrosa*



Subsequence of the answer:

1. Name of the joint (English and Latin)
2. Classification of the joint (simple, combined, complex)
3. Description of the essential elements of the joint (articular surface, type of cartilage, cavity and capsule)
4. Description of the ligaments.
5. Special features (bursa)
6. Movements