# HAND & WRIST

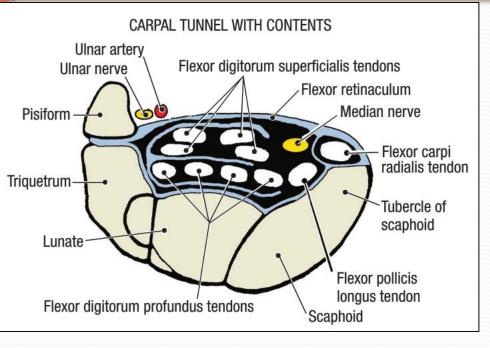
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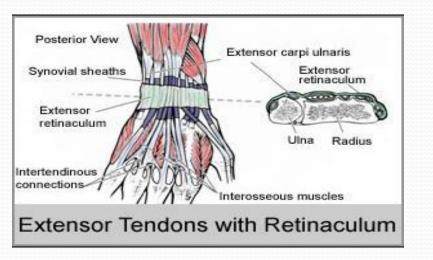
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# **OBJECTIVES**

- At the end of the lecture, students should be able to:
- Describe the anatomy of the deep fascia of the wrist & hand (flexor & extensor retinaculae & palmar aponeurosis).
- List the structures passing superficial & deep to flexor retinaculum.
- Describe the anatomy of the insertion of long flexor & extensor tendons.
- Describe the anatomy of the small muscles of the hand (origin, insertion action & nerve supply)

## Retinacula







- <u>Flexor & Extensor Retinaculua:</u>
- Bands of Deep Fascia at the Wrist

### • Function:

• Hold the long flexor and extensor tendons at the wrist in position.

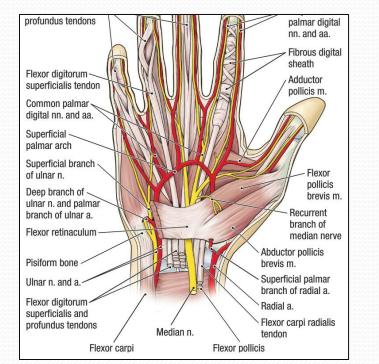
### • <u>Attachments:</u>

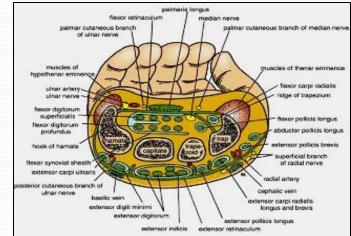
- <u>Medially</u>: Both retinacula attached to Pisiform & Hook of Hamate.
- Laterally:
- Flexor Retinaculum attached to Tubercle of Scaphoid & Trapezium.
- Extensor Retinaculum attached to Distal end of Radius

### **Structures Superficial to Flexor Retinaculum**

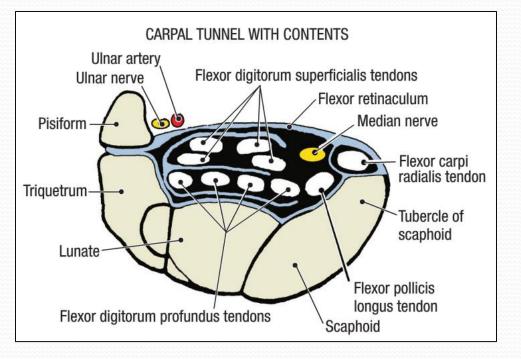
### <u>From Medial to Lateral</u>

- Tendon of Flexor carpi ulnaris.
- 2. Ulnar nerve.
- 3. Ulnar artery.
- Palmar cutaneous branch of ulnar nerve.
- **5.** Palmaris longus tendon.
- 6. Palmar cutaneous branch of median nerve.





## **Carpal Tunnel**



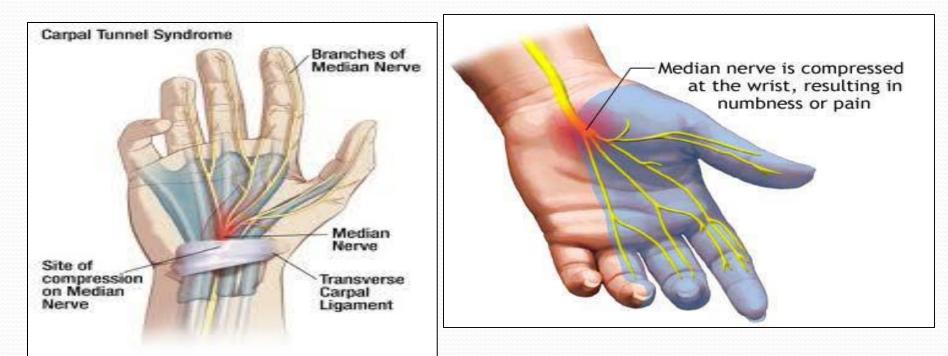
**Formed from** Concave anterior surface of the Carpus covered by Flexor Retinaculum

#### **Contents**

#### From Medial to Lateral

- Tendons of flexor digitorum superficialis & profundus
- Median nerve
- Flexor Pollicis Longus
- (Flexor carpi radialis)

# **Carpal Tunnel Syndrome**



#### <u>Causes :</u>

• Compression of the median nerve within the carpal tunnel

#### Manifestations:

- Burning pain (pins and needles ) in the lateral three and half fingers.
- No paresthesia over the thenar eminence?

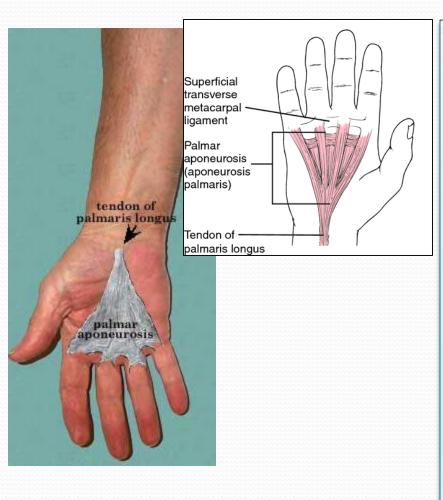
### **Carpal Tunnel Syndrome**





- 2. Weakness or atrophy of the thenar muscles (Ape Hand).
- Inability to <u>Oppose</u> the thumb.

## **Palmar Aponeurosis**



#### • The Thickened deep fascia of the Palm.

It is Triangular in shape , occupies the central area of the palm.

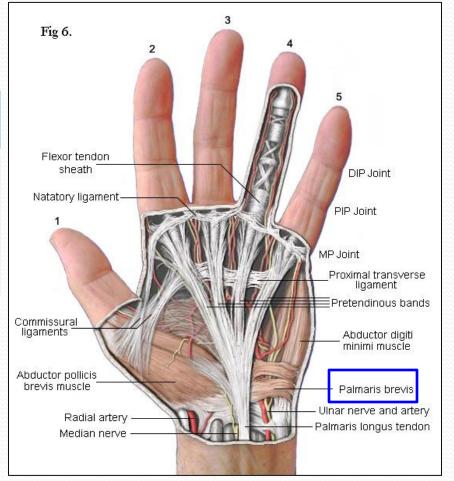
#### • <u>Apex:</u>

- Attached to the distal border of flexor retinaculum and receives the insertion of palmaris longus tendon.
- <u>Base:</u>
  - Divides at the bases of the fingers into four slips that pass into the fingers.
- <u>Functions:</u>
  - 1. Firmly attached to the overlying skin and improves the grip.
  - 2. Protects the underlying tendons, vessels & nerves.
  - 3. Gives origin to palmaris brevis muscle.

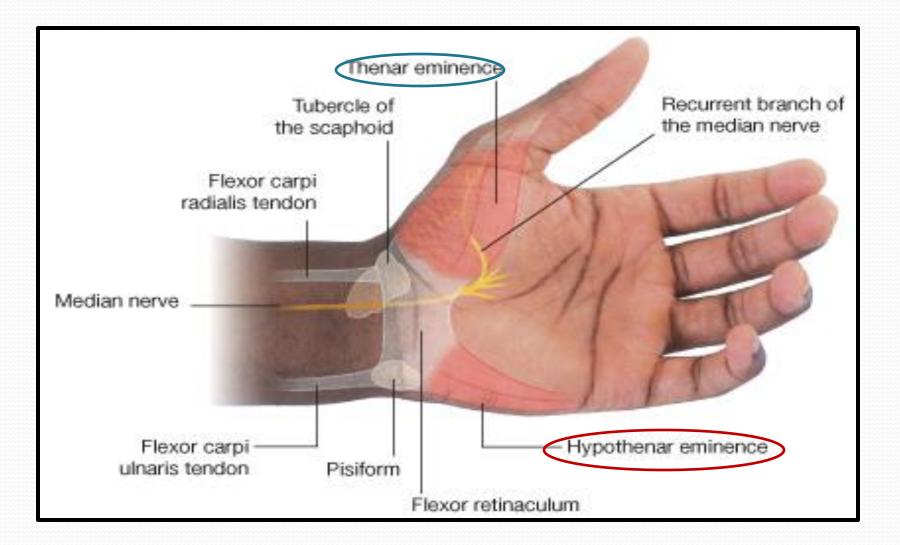
## **Palmaris Brevis**

Origin	Inserti on	NS	Action
FR and PA.	Skin of Palm	UN (Superfici al). Branch	Corrugation of skin to improve grip

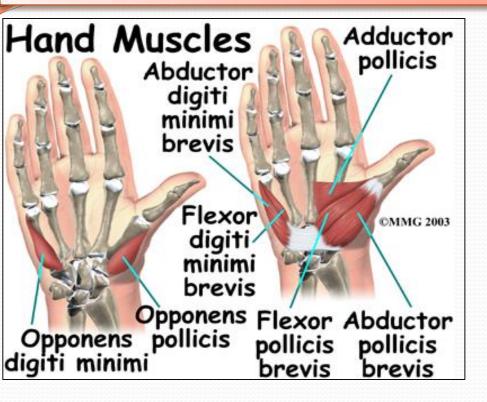
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## **Short Muscles of Thumb & Little Finger**



## **Hypothenar Eminence (3)**

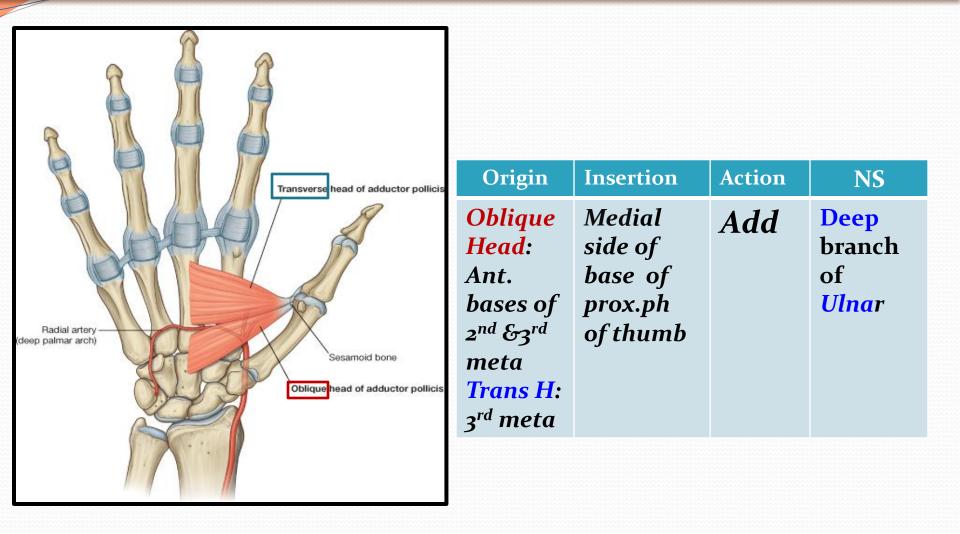


	Origin	Inserti on	NS	Action
Ab Dig Min	Pisifor m	Base of Prox ph	All by Deep branc h of Ulnar	Abduction
Flx Dig Min	FR	With AB DIG MIN		Flexion
Opp Dig Min	Palmar surface of 5 <sup>th</sup> metacar pal			Pulls the 5 <sup>th</sup> metacarp al forward (Cup the palm)

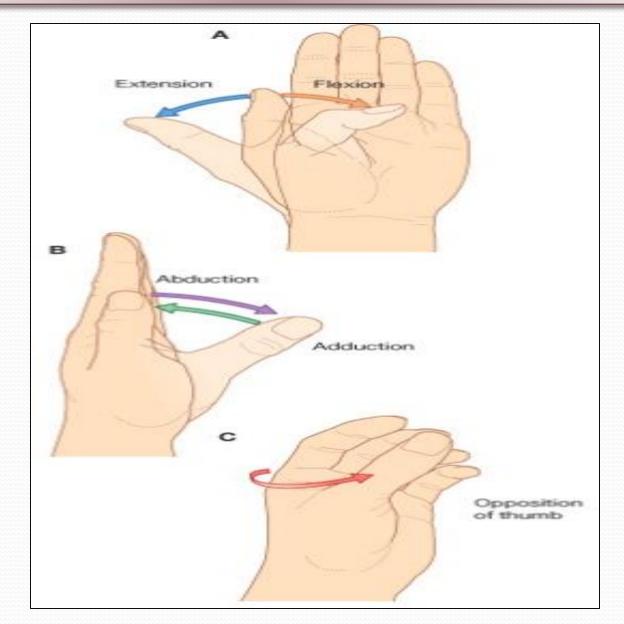
## **Thenar Eminence** (3)

Hand Muscles Adductor		Origin	Insertio n	NS	ACT
Abductor digiti minimi	Ab Poll B	<b>FR</b> Scaphd& Trapez	(Base of Prox ph)		AB
brevis	Flex Poll B	FR	With AB Poll B		FLX
Flexor digiti minimi	Opp Poll	FR	Lateral part of 1 <sup>ST</sup> Met		Орр
Opponens Flexor Abductor Opponens pollicis pollicis digiti minimi brevis brevis					

## **Adductor Pollicis**



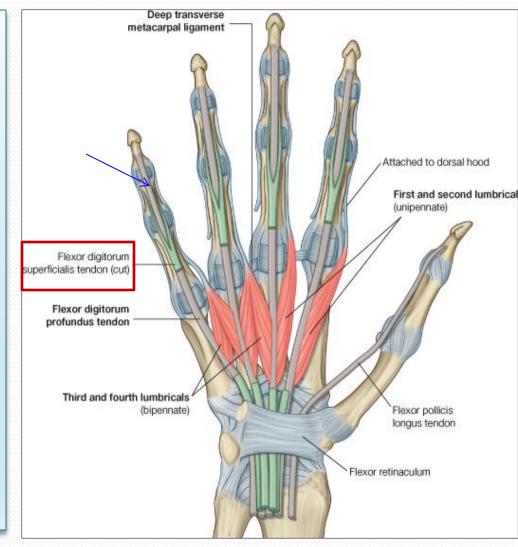
## **Movements of Thumb**



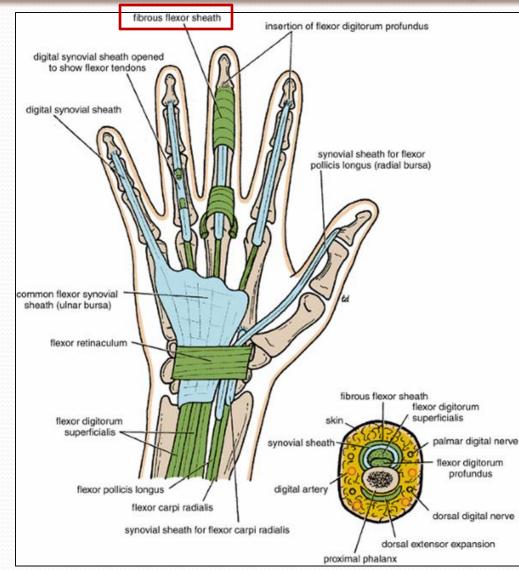
### **Insertion of** Flexor Dig Superficialis & Profundus

### Flexor dig superficialis

- Each tendon:
  - <u>**Divides**</u> into two halves & pass around the Profundus Tendon.
  - The two halves <u>Meet</u> on the posterior aspect of Profundus tendon (partial decussation of fibers).
  - <u>**Reunion**</u> of the two halves.
  - <u>Further Division into two slips</u> attached to the **Borders of Middle** <u>Phalanx.</u>
- <u>Flexor dig Profundus</u>
  - Inserted into the **Base of the Distal Phalanx.**



## Fibrous Flexor (Digital) Sheath



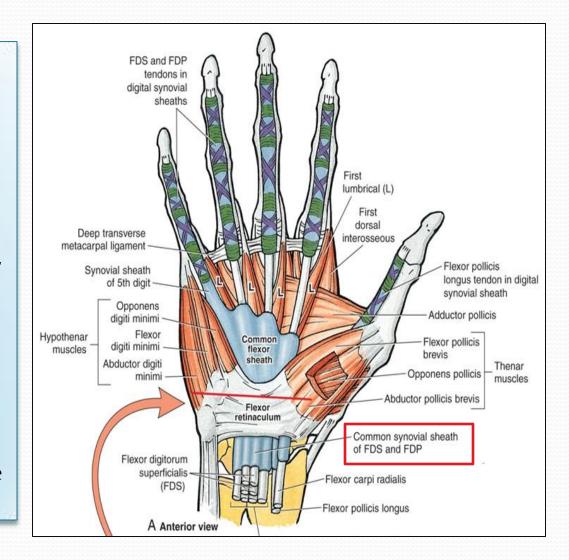
A Strong Fibrous Sheath, which covers the anterior surface of the fingers and attached to the sides of the phalanges.

- Its Proximal end is **opened**
- Its Distal end is **closed**
- The Sheath with the anterior surfaces of the phalanges & the interphalangeal joints form an *Osteofibrous blind Tunnel* for the long flexor tendons of the fingers.

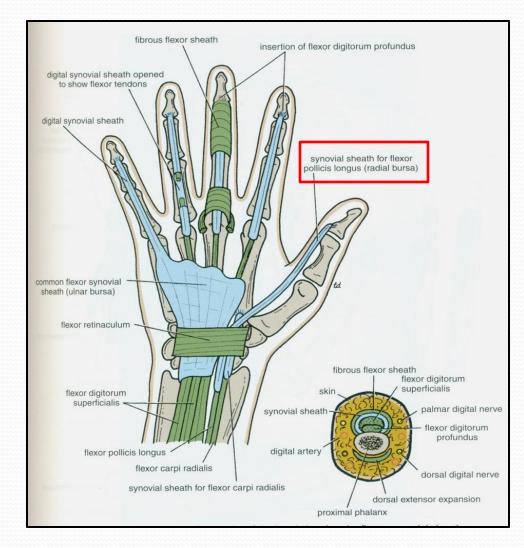
## **Synovial Flexor Sheaths**

### <u>Common Synovial sheath</u> (Ulnar Bursa)

- Contains tendons of Flexor Digitorum Superficialis & Profundus
- The <u>Medial</u> part of the sheath extends distally (without interruption) on the tendons of the *little finger*.
- The <u>Lateral part</u> of the sheath stops on the middle of the palm.
- The distal ends of the long flexor tendons to(*Index*, *Middle & Ring*) fingers acquire *Digital Synovila Sheaths*.

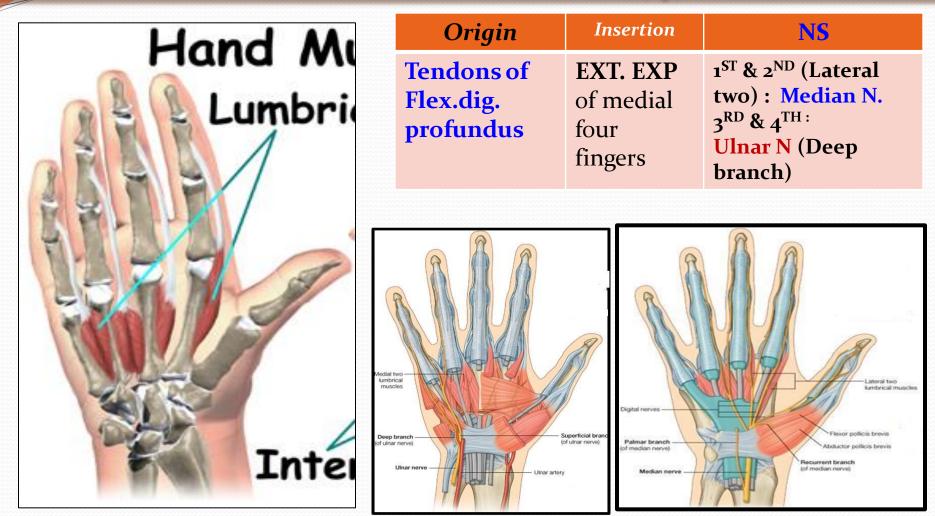


## **Synovial Flexor Sheaths**



- Flexor Pollicis Longus tendon has its own synovial sheath (<u>Radial</u> <u>Bursa</u>)
- <u>Function of Synovial</u> <u>Sheaths:</u>
- They allow the long tendons to move smoothly with a minimum of friction beneath the flexor retinaculum and the fibrous flexor sheaths.

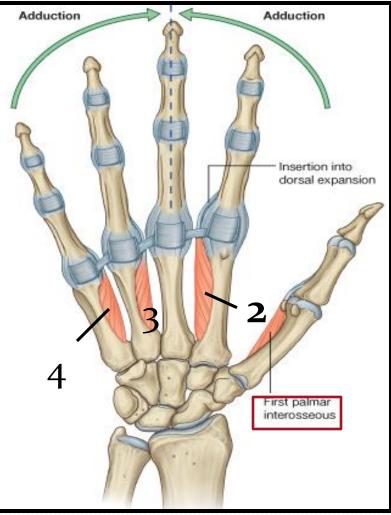
## Lumbrical Muscles (4)



#### Action:

Flex metacarpophalangeal joints and extend interphalangeal joints of fingers **Except thumb** 

## Palmar Interossei (4)

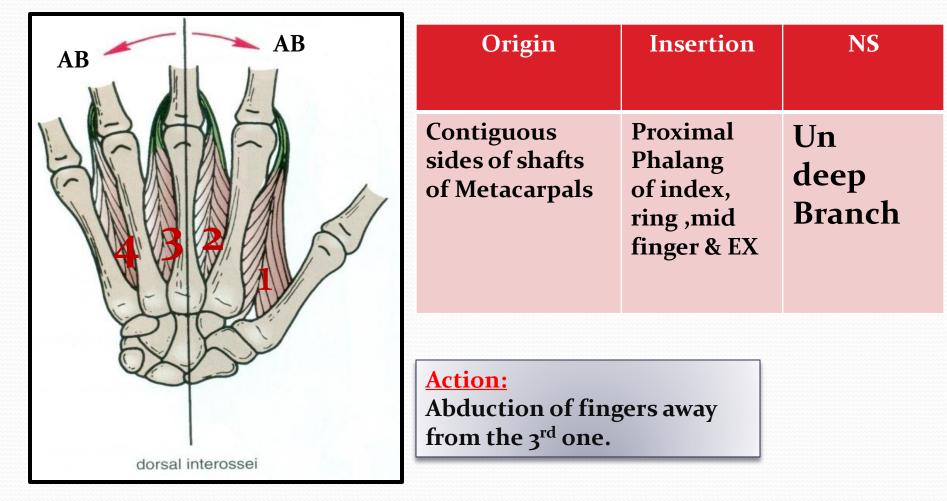


Origin	Insertion	NS
<b>1</b> <sup>st</sup> : Base of 1 <sup>st</sup> metacarpal. Other three: Ant. Surface of Shafts of 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>rd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> metacarpals.	Proximal phalanges of thumb ,index, ring, & little fingers and <b>Extensor</b> <b>expansion</b>	Un: deep Branch

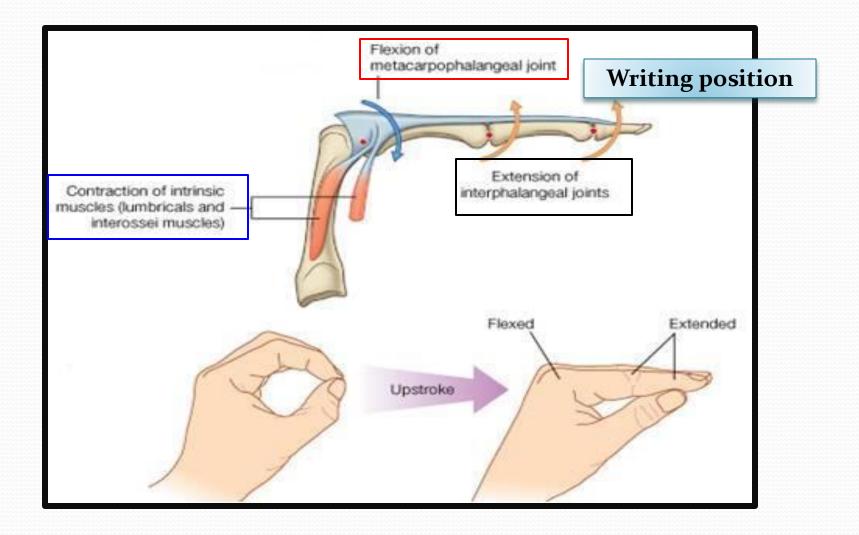
#### Action:

Adduction of fingers toward center of the 3<sup>rd</sup> one.

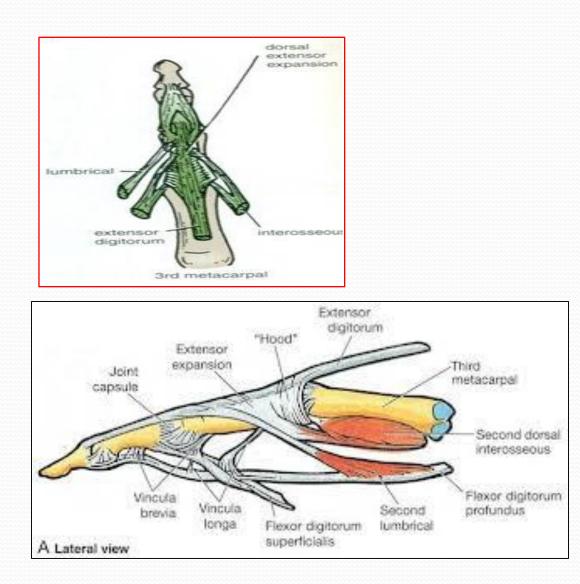
### **Dorsal Interossei (4)**



### **Action of Lumbricals & Interossei**



## **Extensor Expansion**



- Formed from the expansion of the tendons of extensor dig. at the **PIJ**,
- The tendon splits into three parts:
  - <u>One Central</u>: inserted into the base of Middle phalanx.
  - <u>Two laterals</u>: inserted into the base of the Distal phalanx.
- <u>The Expansion Receives</u> <u>the insertions of:</u>
  - Corresponding *Interosseous muscle* (on each side).
  - Lumbrical muscle (on the lateral side).

