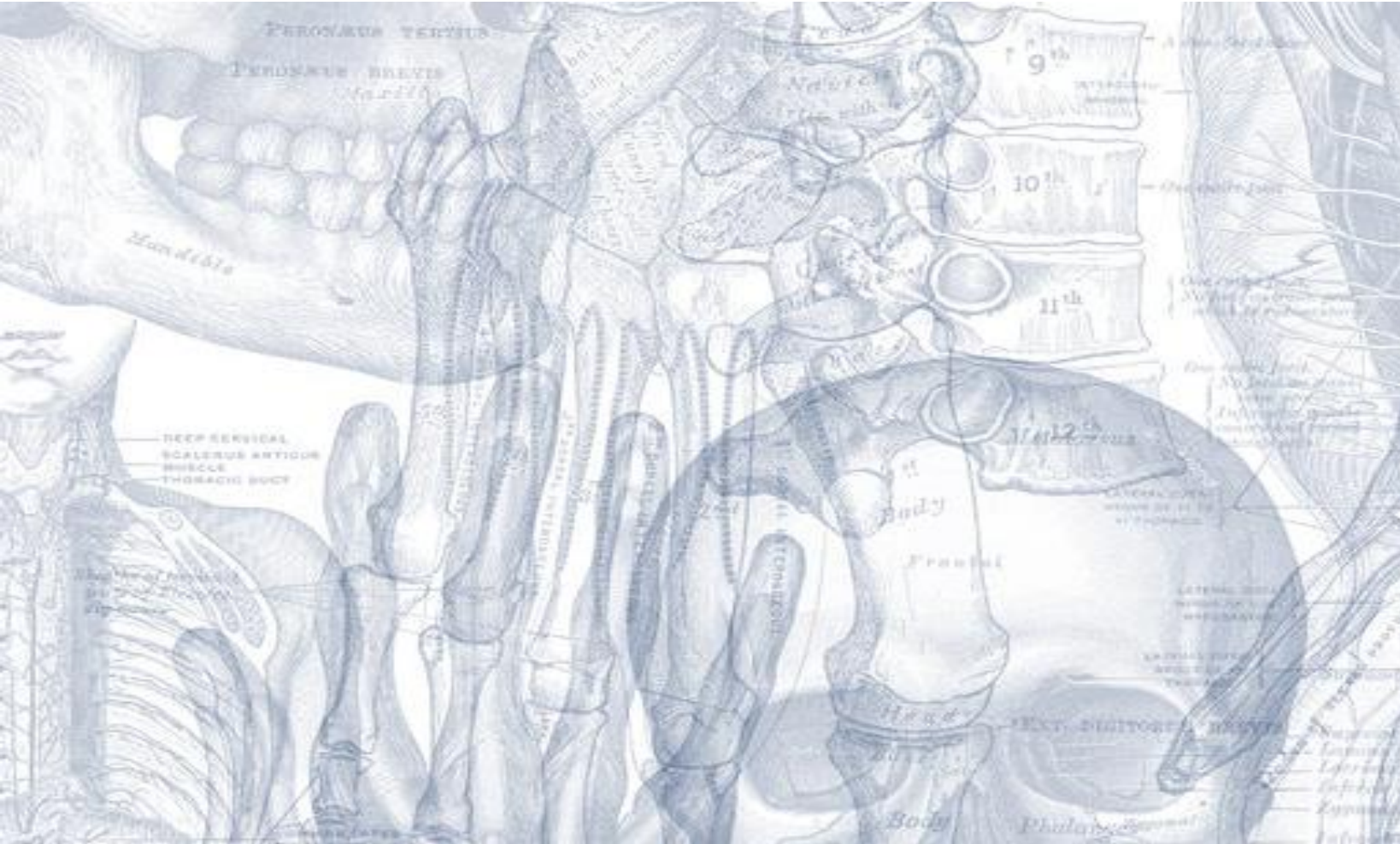


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JOINTS

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- **Important**
- **Doctors Notes**
- **Notes/Extra explanation**

Objectives

By the end of the lecture, students should be able to:

- ✓ Define the term “Joint” .
- ✓ Describe the classification of the 3 types of joints & give an example of each.
- ✓ Describe the characteristics of synovial joints.
- ✓ Describe the classification of synovial joints & give an example of each.
- ✓ List factors maintaining stability of joints.
- ✓ Recite “Hilton’s law” for nerve supply of joints.

Definition

What is a joint? It is the site where two or more bones meet together.
Another def. : it is the meeting of two or more articulating joints

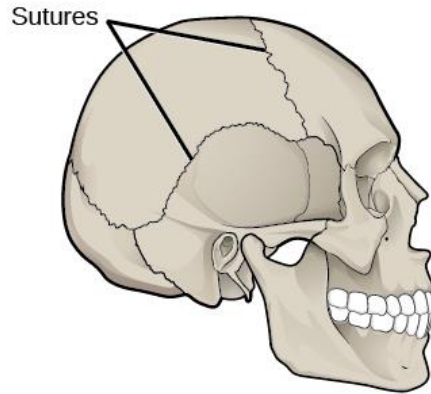
Classification of joints

Joints are classified according to the tissues that lie between the bones into:

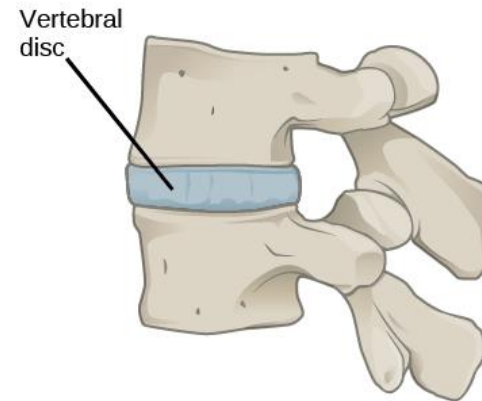
A. Fibrous

B. Cartilaginous

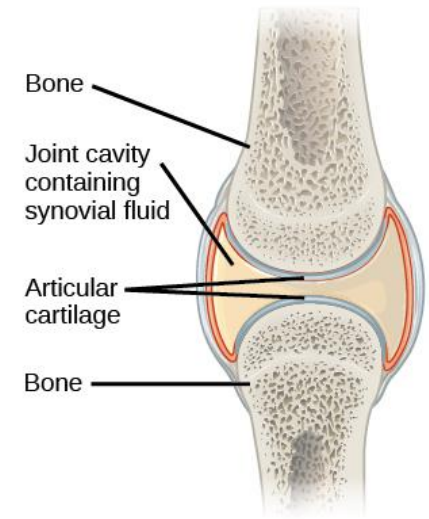
C. Synovial



(a)



(b)



(c)

1) Fibrous Joints

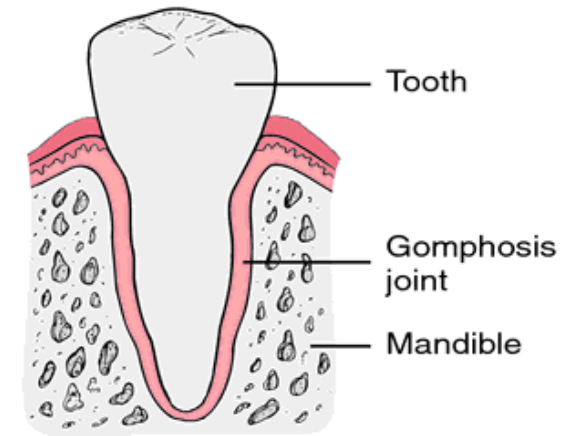
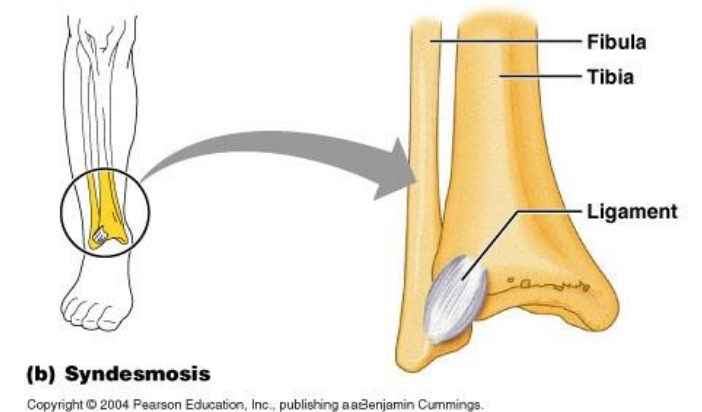
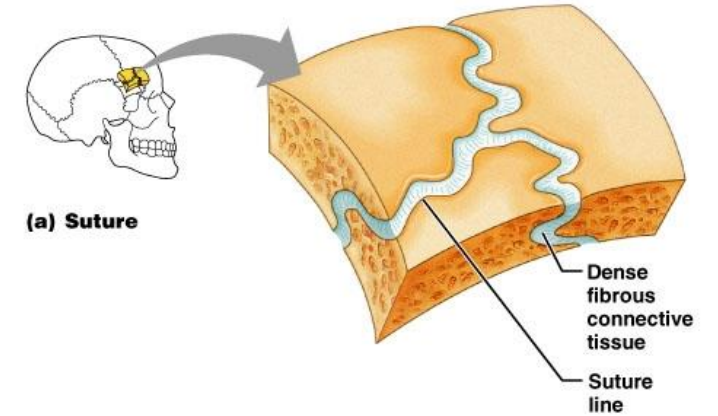
The articulating surfaces are joined by **fibrous connective tissue**, where **No or very mild movement**.

1. **Skull sutures**: Temporary (as it ossify later)

2. **Inferior tibiofibular joints (syndesmosis)**: minimal movement, permanent joints.

3. **Gomphosis**: dental alveolar joints. Articulation between root of the tooth with mandible or maxilla

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2) Cartilaginous Joints

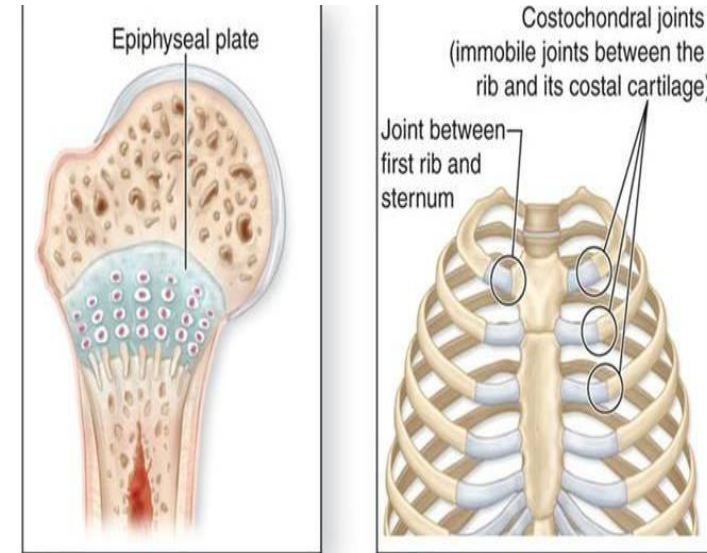
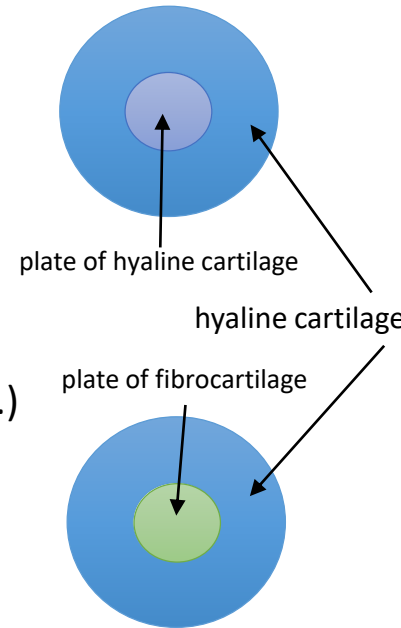
- ✓ When two bones are joined by **cartilage** the formed joint is called “cartilaginous joint”
- ✓ and are classified into 2 types:

- **Primary Cartilaginous (synchondrosis):**

- The bones are united by a plate or a bar of **hyaline cartilage**.
 - **No movement, temporary** joints (ossify later).
 - Example:
 - Between the **Epiphysis** and the **Diaphysis** of a growing bone.
 - Between the **First Rib** and the **Sternum (1st sternocostal joint)**.
- (The rest of the sternocostal joints are synovial **plane** joints.)

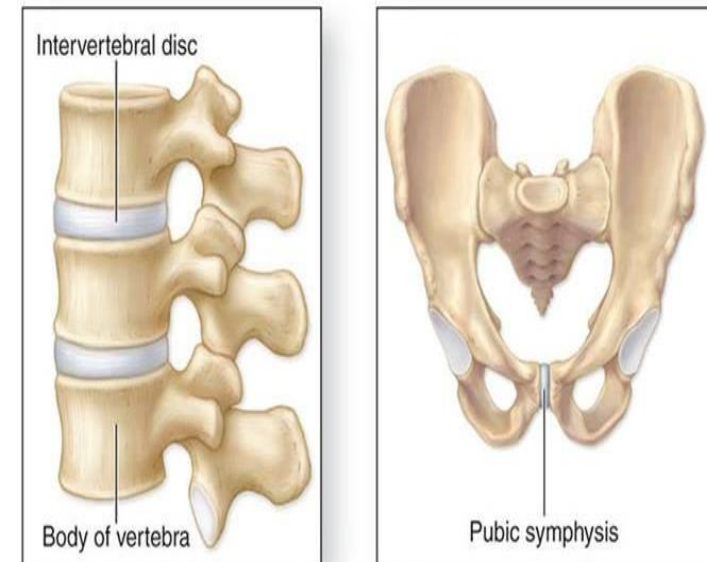
- **Secondary Cartilaginous:**

- The bones are united by a plate of **fibrocartilage**.
- Their articulating surfaces are covered by a thin plate of **hyaline cartilage**.
- **Little movement, permanent** joints.
- They are called **Midline** joints. Because they are mainly found in the axial skeleton (midline of body)
- Example: (in axial)
 - Joints between the Vertebral Bodies (**intervertebral discs**).
 - Symphysis Pubis.



(a) **Synchondroses** (contain hyaline cartilage)

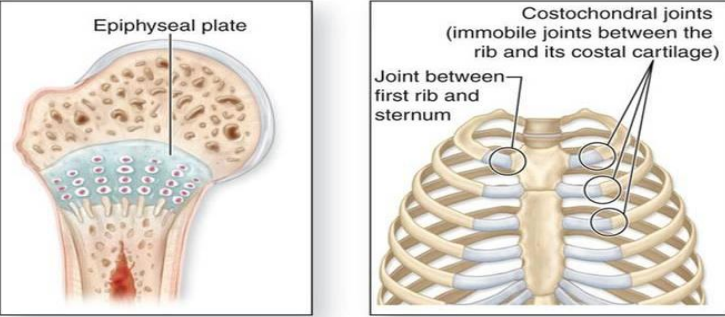
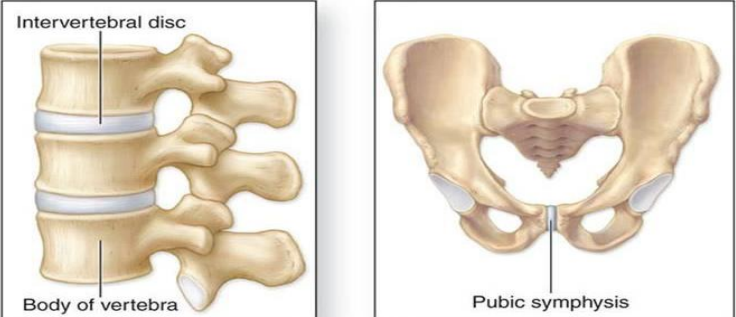
Any articulating surface will have a plate of hyaline cartilage



(b) **Symphyses** (contain fibrocartilage)

2) Cartilaginous Joints :summery

When two bones are joined by cartilage the formed joint is called “cartilaginous joint”

	Primary Cartilaginous (synchondrosis):	Secondary Cartilaginous:
Structure	The bones are united by a plate or a bar of hyaline cartilage .	The bones are united by a plate of fibrocartilage . Their <u>articulating surfaces</u> are covered by a thin plate of hyaline cartilage . They are called Midline joints.
Degree of movement and duration	No movement, temporary joints (ossify later).	Little movement, permanent joints.
Examples	Between the Epiphysis and the Diaphysis of a growing bone. Between the First Rib and the Sternum (1st sternocostal joint) . (The rest of the sternocostal joints are synovial plane joints.)	Joints between the Vertebral Bodies (intervertebral discs). Symphysis Pubis.
Pictures	 <p>(a) Synchondroses (contain hyaline cartilage)</p>	 <p>(b) Symphyses (contain fibrocartilage)</p>

3) Synovial Joints

- Characteristic features

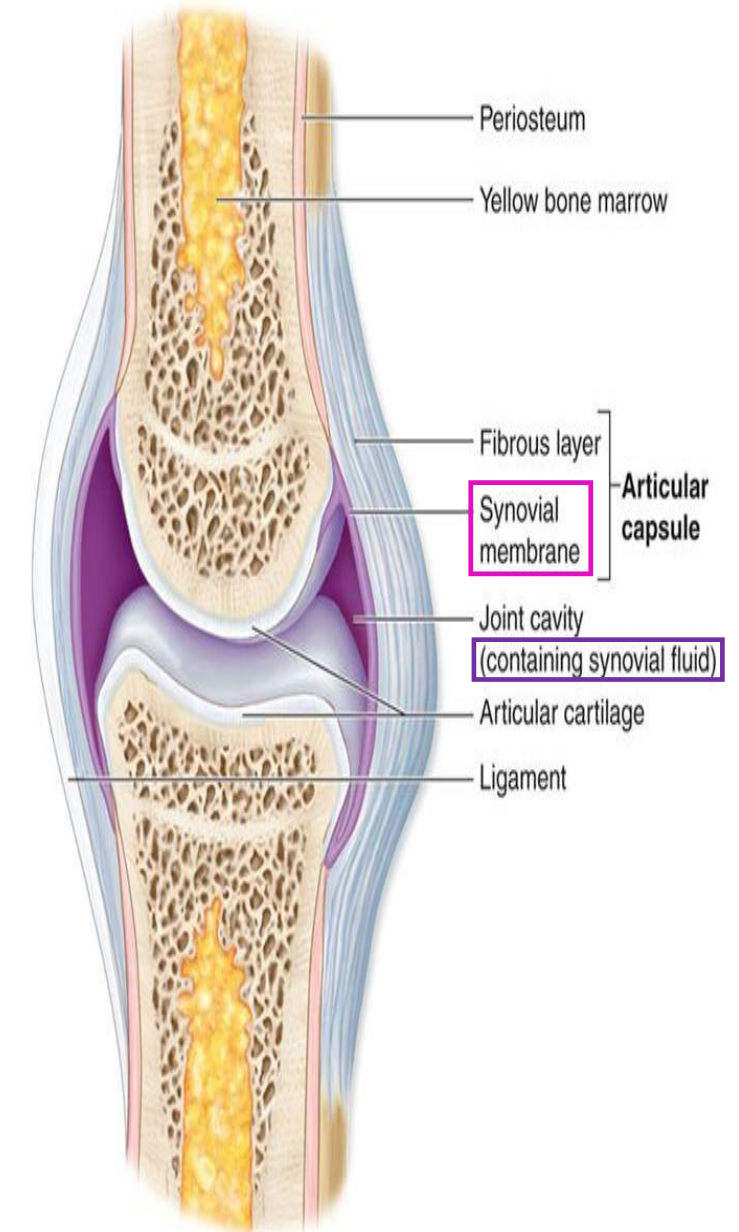
- Freely movable joints.
- The 2 bones are joined by a fibrous capsule, which is attached to the margins of articular surfaces & enclosing the joint.
- The articular surfaces are covered by a thin layer of hyaline cartilage (articular cartilage).
- A joint cavity enclosed within the capsule. The internal surface of it.. is Synovial membrane

Synovial membrane :

a thin vascular membrane lining the inner surface of the capsule. It produces the Synovial fluid

Synovial fluid :

a lubricating fluid produced by the synovial membrane in the joint cavity. The fluid minimizes the friction between the articular surfaces.

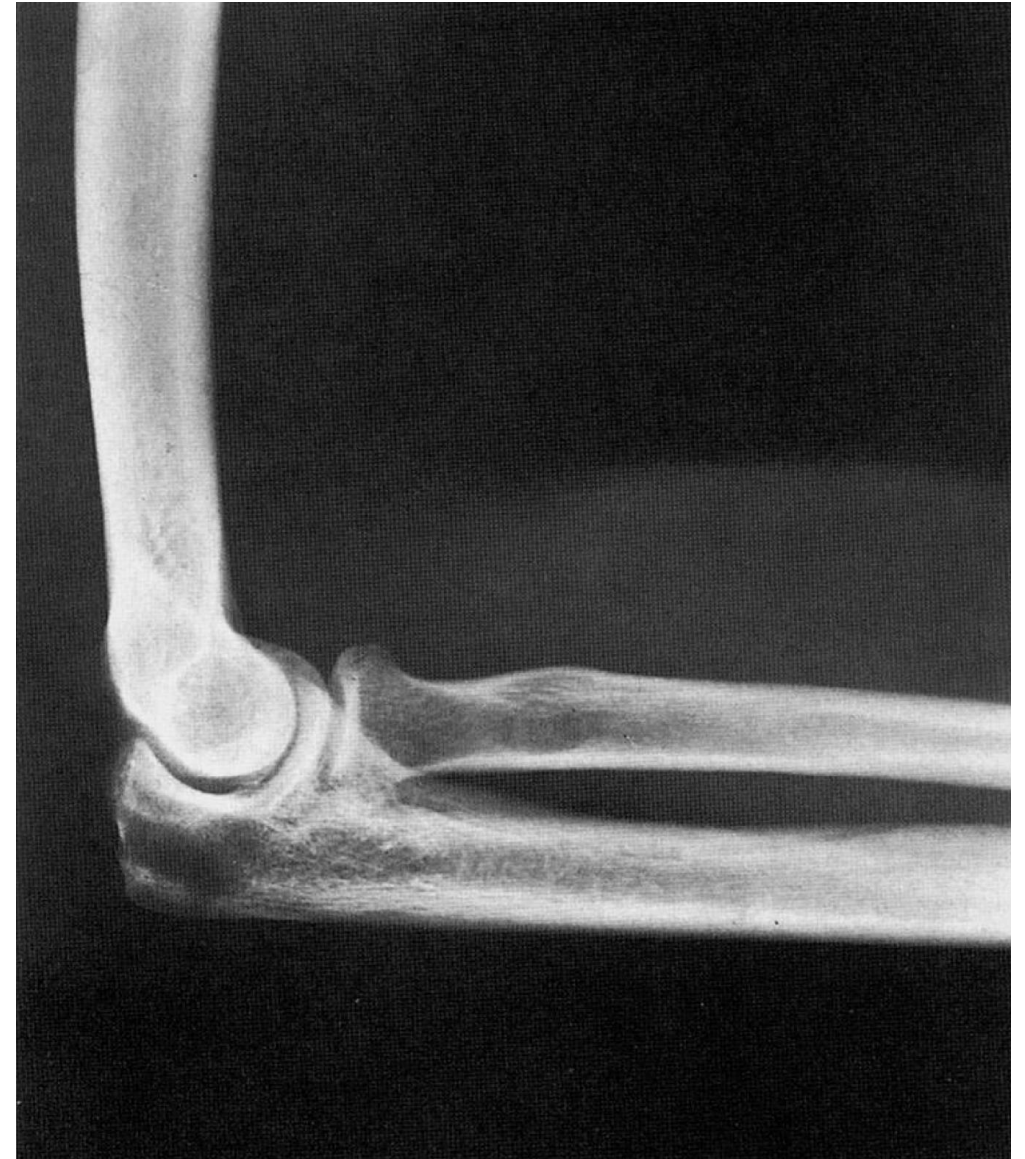
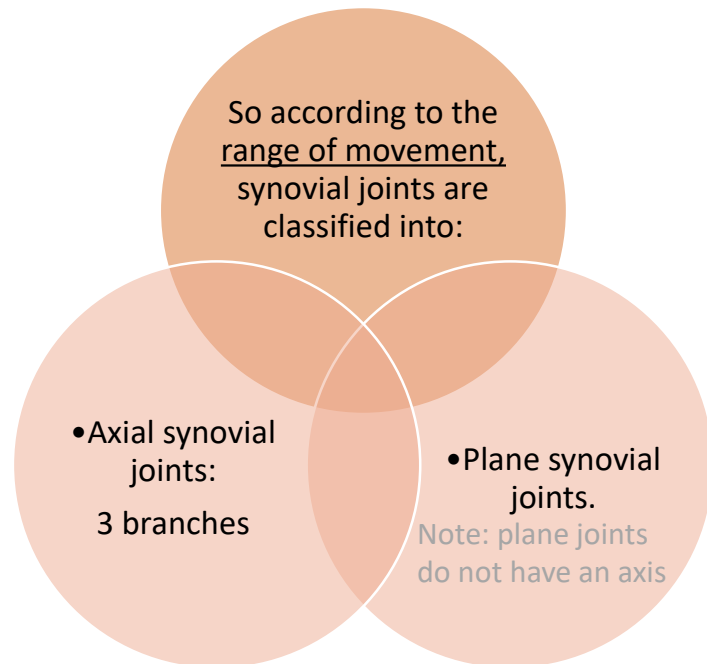


3) Synovial joints

- Classification

Synovial joints can be classified according to:

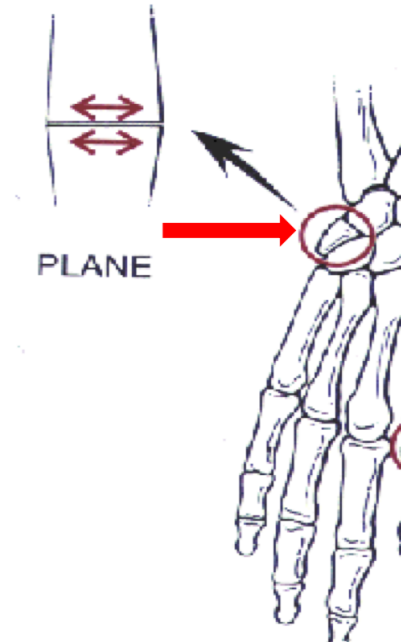
- The **arrangement** of the **articular surfaces**.
- The **range of movement** that are possible



3) SYNOVIAL JOINTS

I - PLANE SYNOVIAL JOINTS

- The **articulating surfaces** are **flat** and the bones slide on one another,
- producing a **gliding movement**.
- Examples:
 1. Intercarpal Joints.
+ Intertarsal Joints.
 2. Sternoclavicular
 3. Acromioclavicular joints.
 4. Between the 2nd -7th sternocostals



3) SYNOVIAL JOINTS

II - AXIAL SYNOVIAL JOINTS

Movements occur along axes:

1. Transverse(x-axis):

• flexion & extension occur.

2. Longitudinal(y-axis):

• rotation occurs.(M-L)

3. Antero-posterior(z-axis):

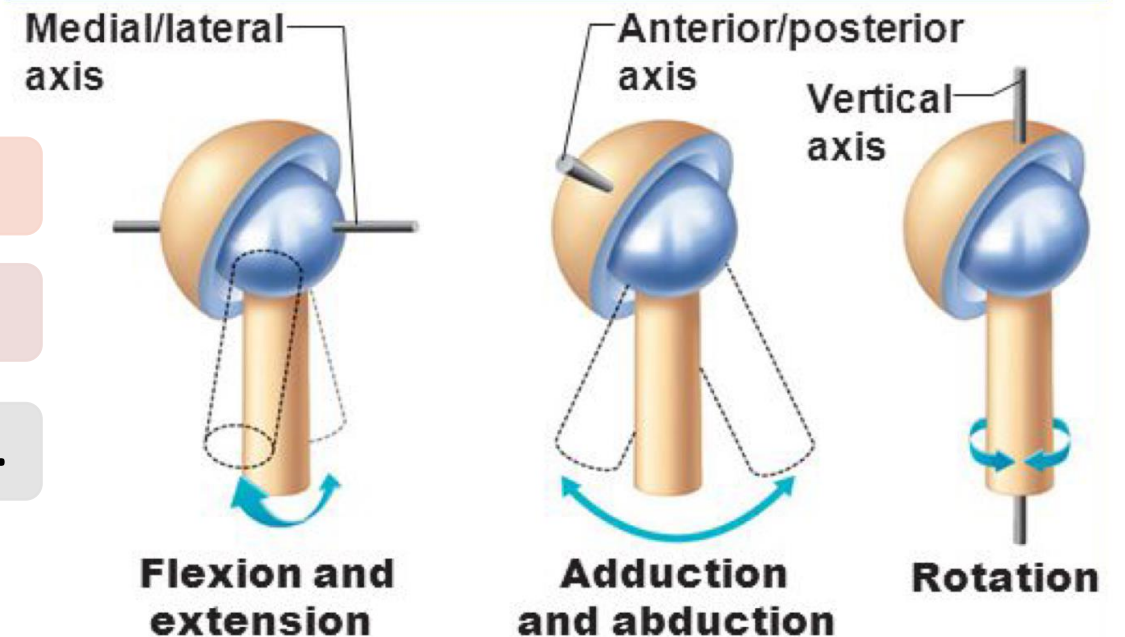
• abduction & adduction occur.

Axial joints are divided into:

- Uniaxial.

- Biaxial.

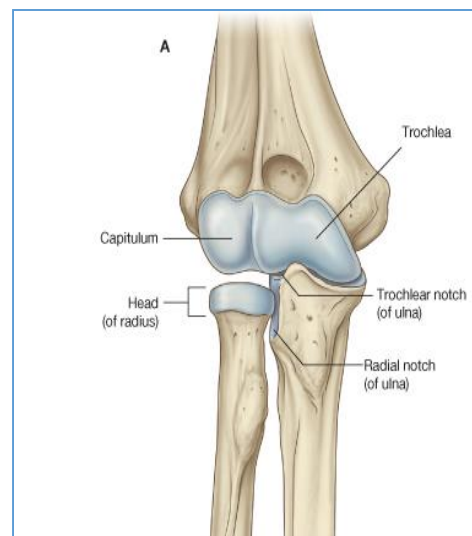
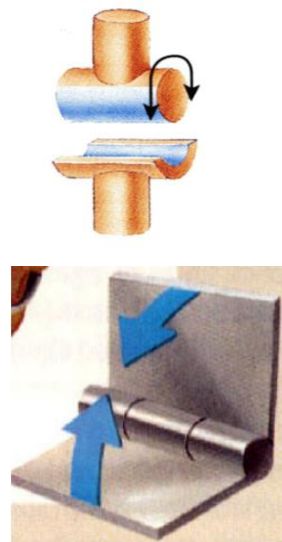
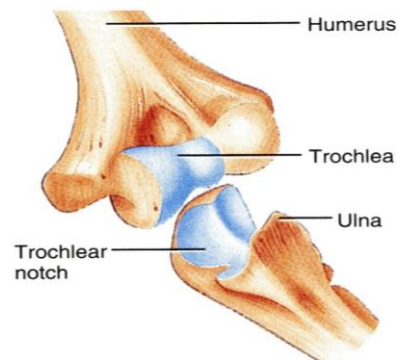
- Multi-axial (polyaxial).



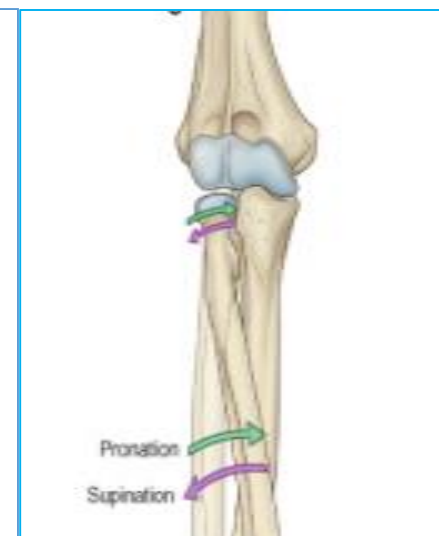
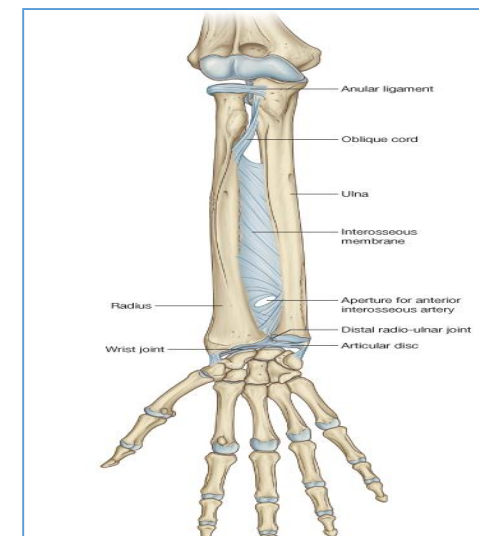
Important always mentioned in exams.

A) UNIAXIAL* SYNOVIAL JOINTS

Type:	Hinge joint	Pivot joint
Axis:	Transverse**	Longitudinal
Movement:	Flexion & extension	Rotation (s-p)
Example:	Elbow and ankle joints	Radio-ulnar joints and atlantoaxial joint



Elbow



Radio-ulnar

*one axis

**مثل حركة اللابتوب

B) BIAxIAL* SYNOVIAL JOINTS

Type:	Ellipsoid** joint	Saddle joint
Axis:	Transverse + antero-posterior	Transverse + antero-posterior + Longitudinal (limited)
Movement:	Flexion & extension + abduction & adduction but rotation is impossible	As ellipsoid joints (Flexion & extension + abduction & adduction) + a small range of rotation***
Example:	Wrist joint	Carpometacarpal joint of the thumb
Further info.:	An elliptical convex ^^ fits into an elliptical concave articular surface.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The articular surfaces are reciprocally concavoconvex^. • They resemble a saddle^^ on a horse's back.

*Two axis.

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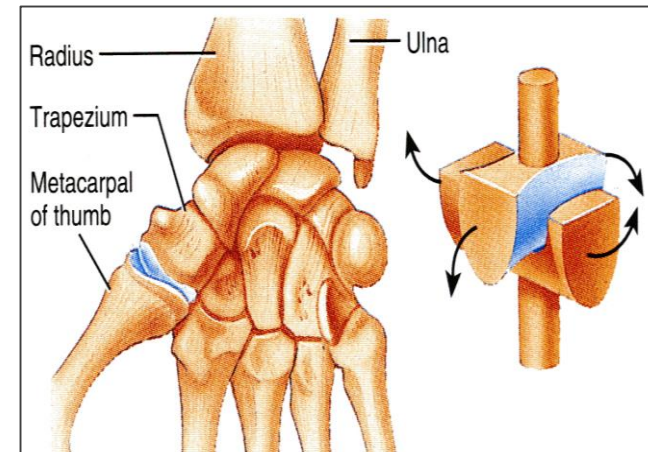
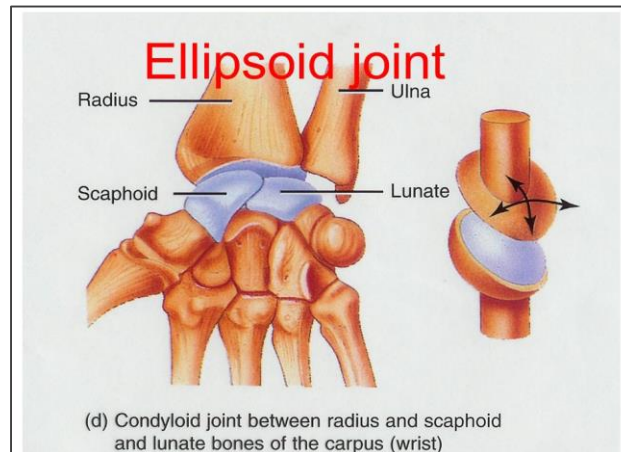
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^^ سرج الحصان.

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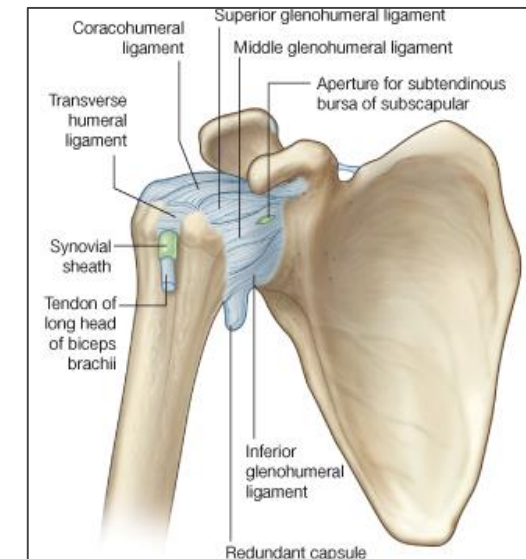
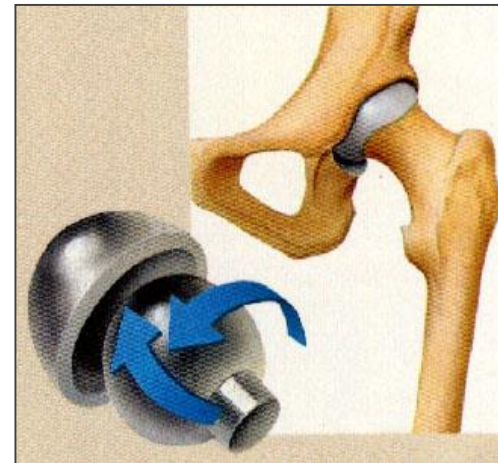
C) POLYAXIAL* SYNOVIAL JOINTS

Type:	Ball-and-socket joints
Axis:	All axis
Movement:	Flexion & extension + abduction & adduction + rotation along a separate axis.
Example:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shoulder joint. 2. Hip Joint.
Further info.:	•A ball-shaped* head of a bone fits into a socket-like concavity of another.

*In Shoulder joint, ball is the head of humerus and socket is Glenoid cavity of scapula (shallow سطحي). In Hip joint, ball is the head of femur and socket is acetabulum of hip bone (very deep). For that (shallowness and deepness) the stability is more in acetabulum than Glenoid cavity. *Glenoid cavity is stabilized by ligaments* ^don't be afraid of details will explain later.

**نفس ما قالت دكتورة سناء «كُل ما تشتهييه من الموفمنت هنا».

*has all range of movements.



Stability Of Synovial Joints

It depends on :

1-The shape of articular surfaces

-ex: the ball and socket shape of the **Hip** joint is a good examples of the importance of bone shape to maintain joint stability.

-The hip joint is more stable than the shoulder joint because The hip has Deep concavity that gives more support than The shoulder which is shallowly concave and needs more support into it.

-The shape of the bones forming the Knee joint has nothing to do for stability.

2-Strength of the ligaments:

-Ex: **cruciate** ligaments of the **knee** joint

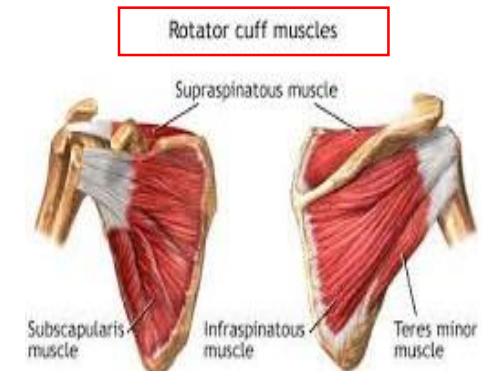
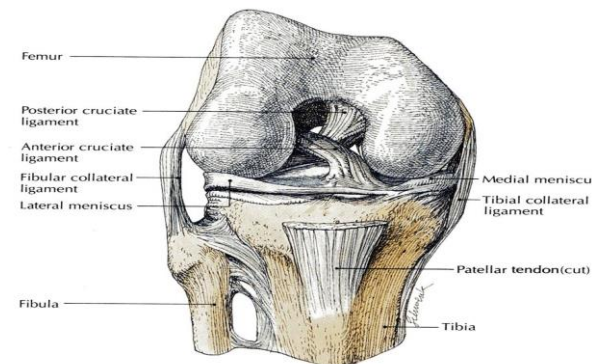
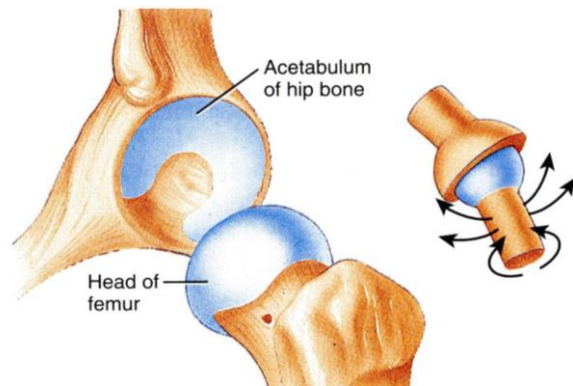
-They prevent excessive movement in a joint.

3- Tone of the surrounding muscles:

In most joints, it is the major factor controlling stability.

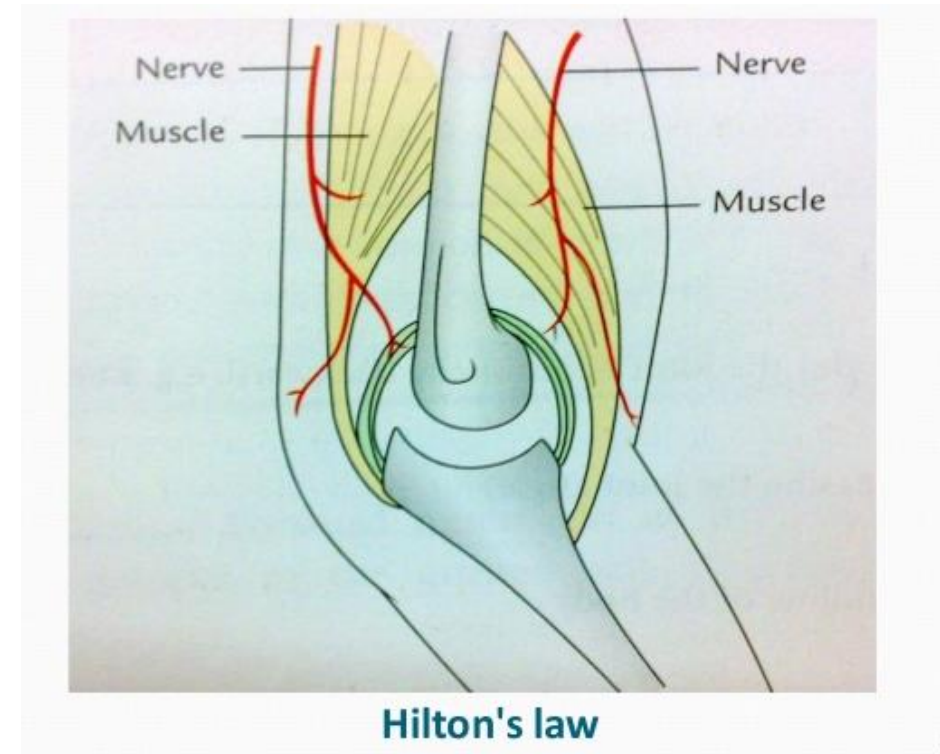
-Ex: The short muscles (rotator cuff muscles) around the **shoulder** joint -keeps the head of the humerus in the shallow glenoid cavity.

Note: the muscle does not have to be contracted the tone is enough to stabilize the joint



Nerve supply of joints

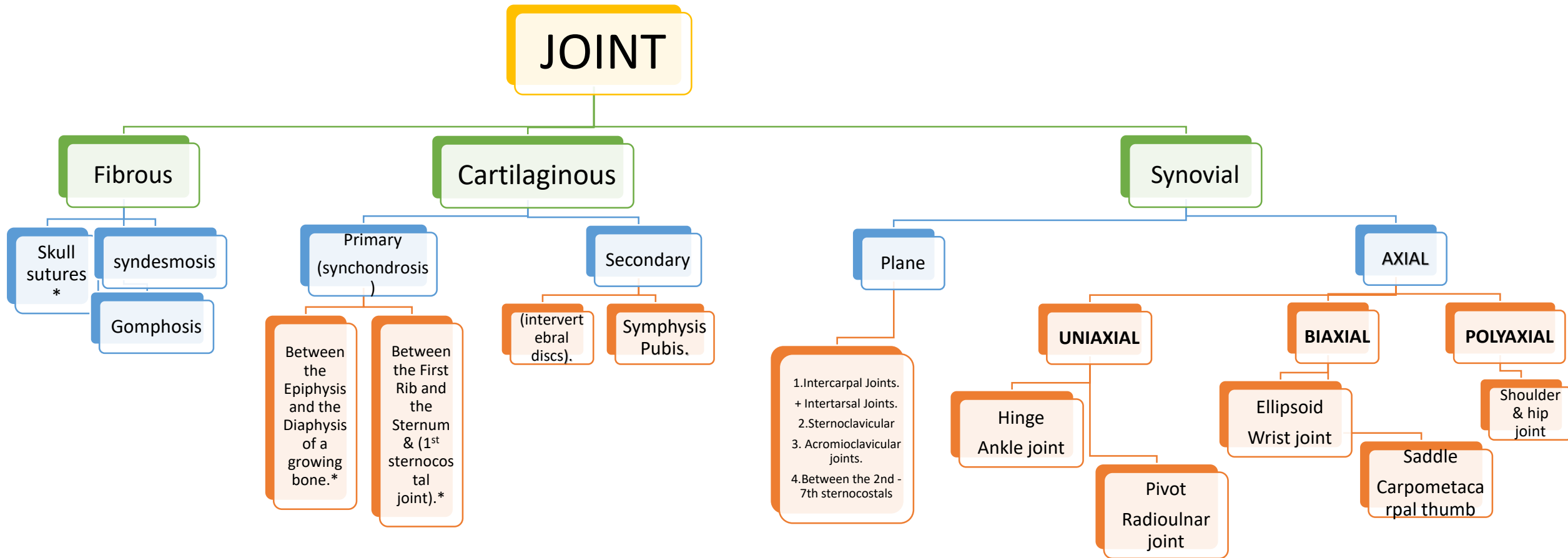
- The **capsule and ligaments** receive an abundant sensory nerve supply. Not with joint cavity!
- **Hilton's Law**: “A nerve supplying a joint also supplies the muscles moving that joint and the skin overlying the insertions of these muscles.”



Summary:

- Joint is the site where two or more bones come together, whether movement occurs or not between them.
- Joints are classified according to the tissues that lie between the bones into 3 types: fibrous, cartilaginous & synovial.
- Synovial joints are freely movable & characterized by the presence of : fibrous capsule, articular cartilage, synovial membrane & joint cavity containing synovial fluid.
- Synovial joints are classified according to the range of movement into: plane and axial.
- Axial are divided according to the number of axes of movements into: uniaxial, biaxial & polyaxial or multiaxial.
- Stability of synovial joints depends on: shape of articular surfaces, ligaments & muscle tone.
- Joints have same nerve supply as muscles moving them.

Summary:



*No movement, Temporary (as it ossify later)

Summary:

Stability Of Synovial Joints

The shape of articular surfaces

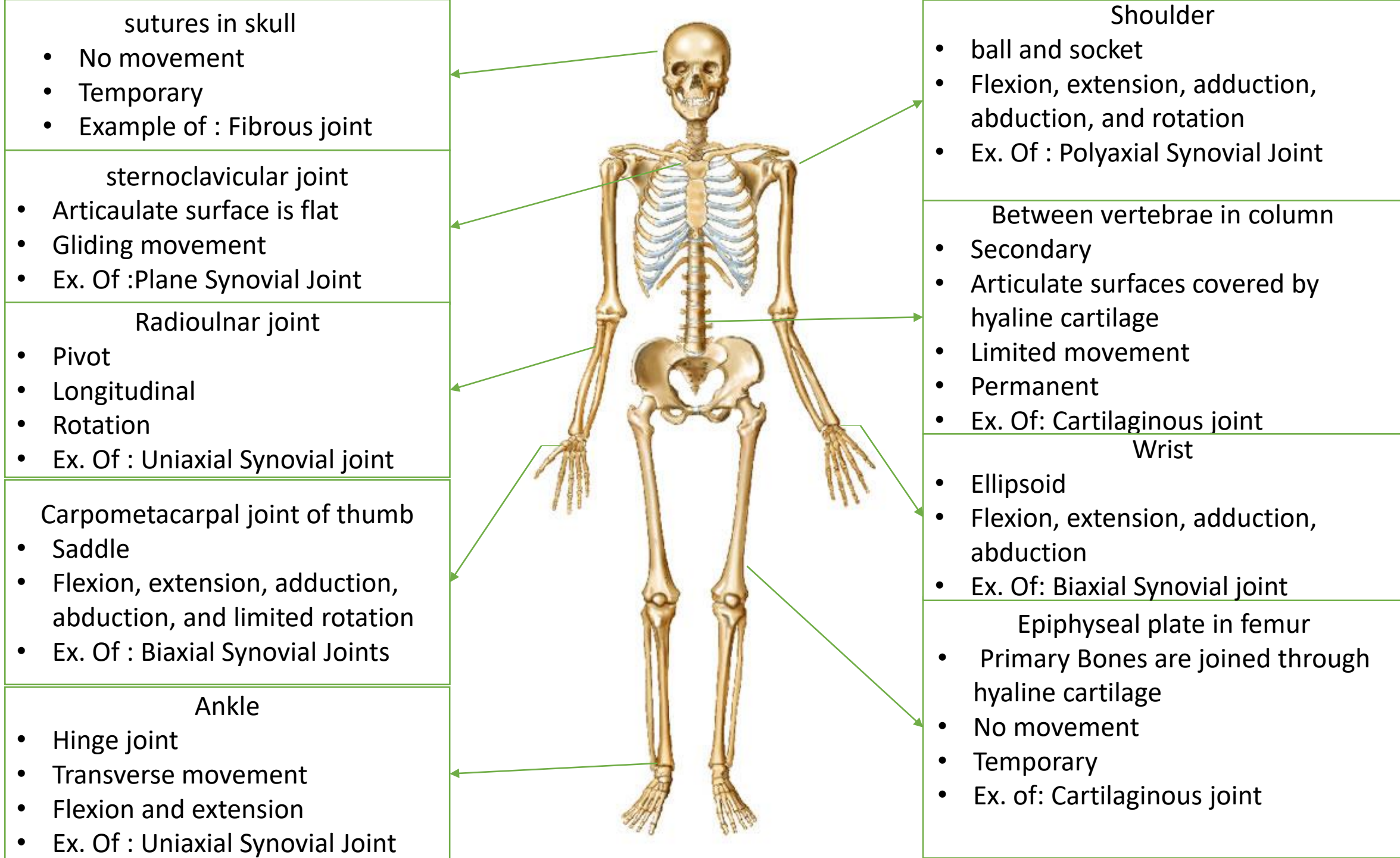
ball and socket shape of the **Hip** joint

Strength of the ligaments:

cruciate ligaments of the **knee** joint

Tone of the surrounding muscles:

rotator cuff muscles around the **shoulder** joint



sutures in skull

- No movement
- Temporary
- Example of : Fibrous joint

sternoclavicular joint

- Articulate surface is flat
- Gliding movement
- Ex. Of :Plane Synovial Joint

Radioulnar joint

- Pivot
- Longitudinal
- Rotation
- Ex. Of : Uniaxial Synovial joint

Carpometacarpal joint of thumb

- Saddle
- Flexion, extension, adduction, abduction, and limited rotation
- Ex. Of : Biaxial Synovial Joints

Ankle

- Hinge joint
- Transverse movement
- Flexion and extension
- Ex. Of : Uniaxial Synovial Joint

Shoulder

- ball and socket
- Flexion, extension, adduction, abduction, and rotation
- Ex. Of : Polyaxial Synovial Joint

Between vertebrae in column

- Secondary
- Articulate surfaces covered by hyaline cartilage
- Limited movement
- Permanent
- Ex. Of: Cartilaginous joint

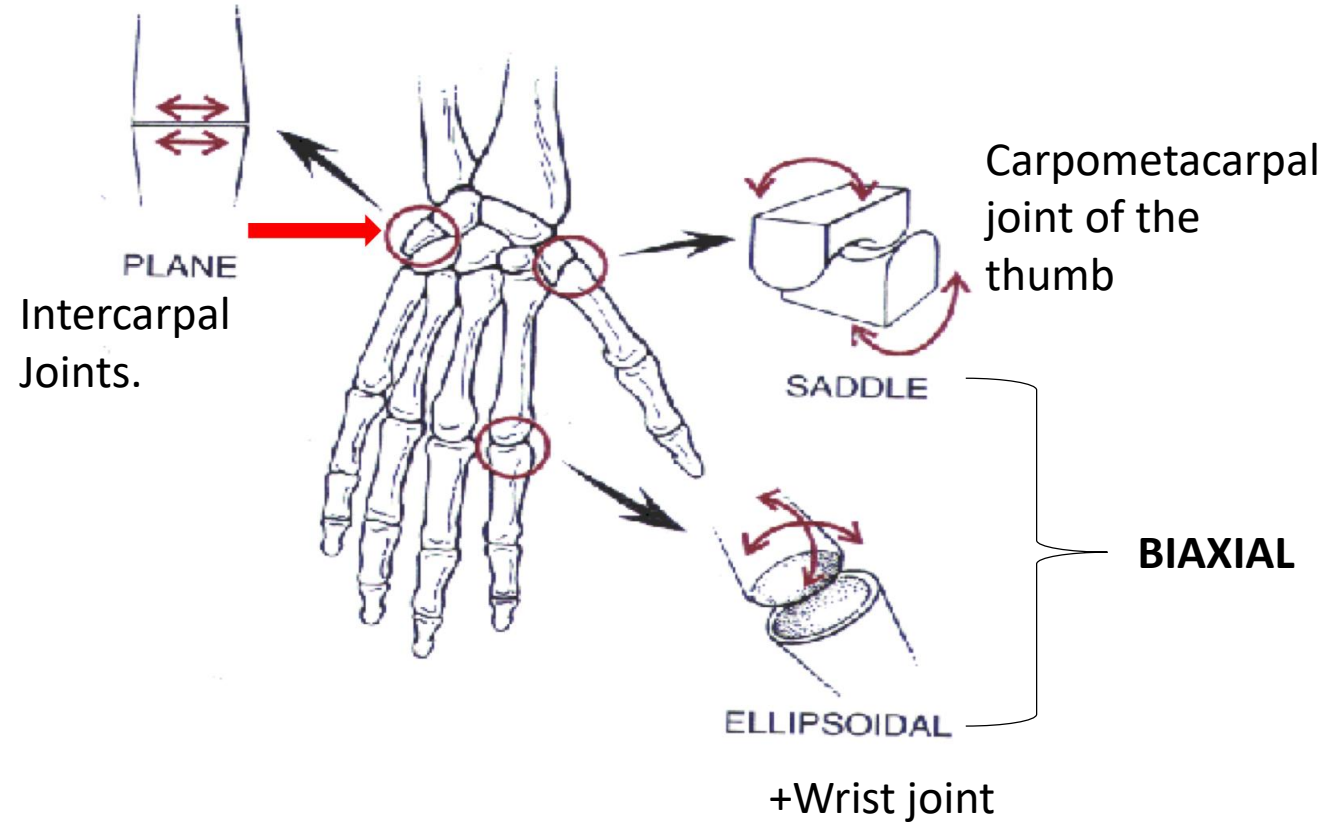
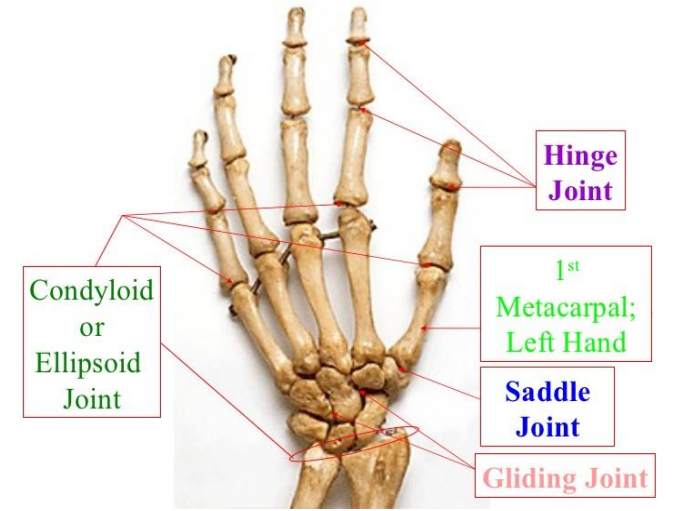
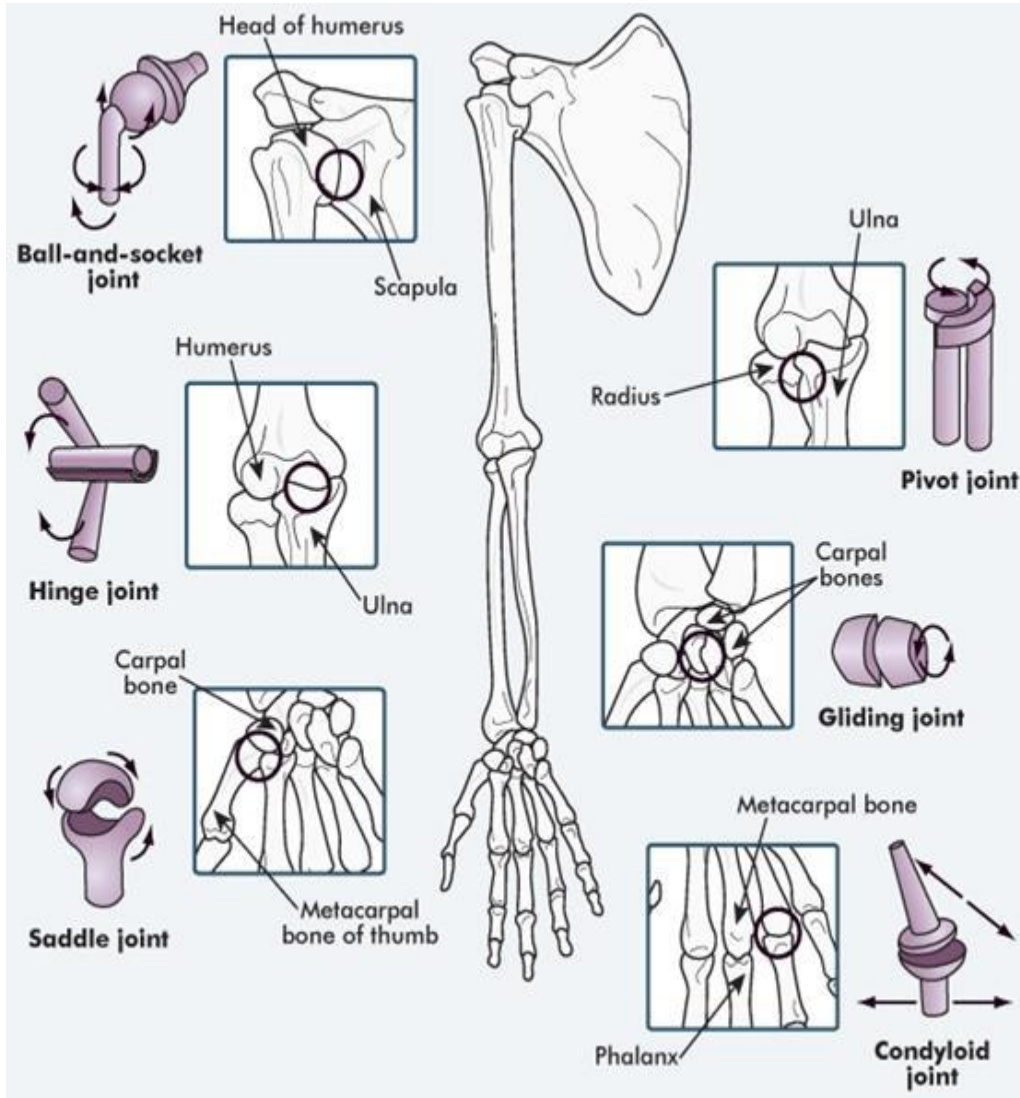
Wrist

- Ellipsoid
- Flexion, extension, adduction, abduction
- Ex. Of: Biaxial Synovial joint

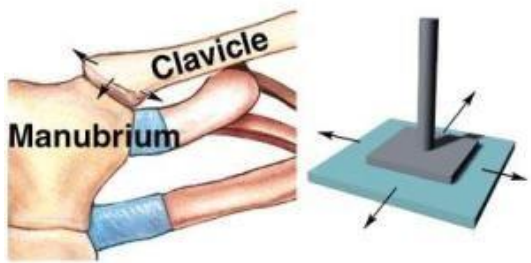
Epiphyseal plate in femur

- Primary Bones are joined through hyaline cartilage
- No movement
- Temporary
- Ex. of: Cartilaginous joint

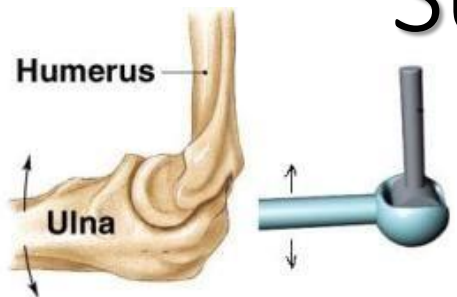
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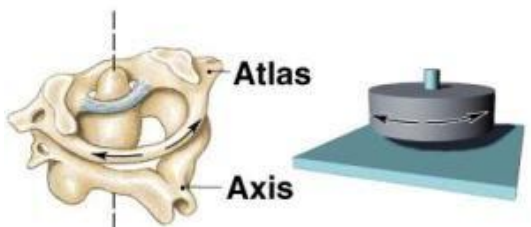
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(a) Gliding joint



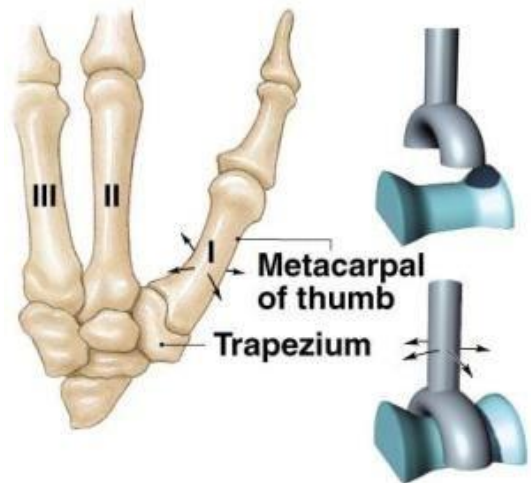
(b) Hinge joint



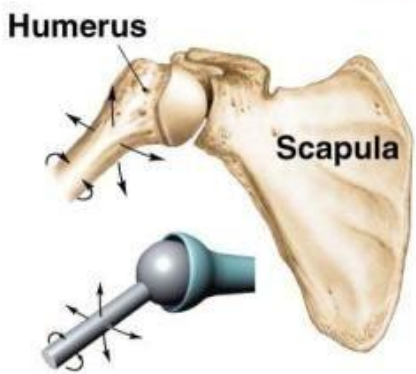
(c) Pivot joint



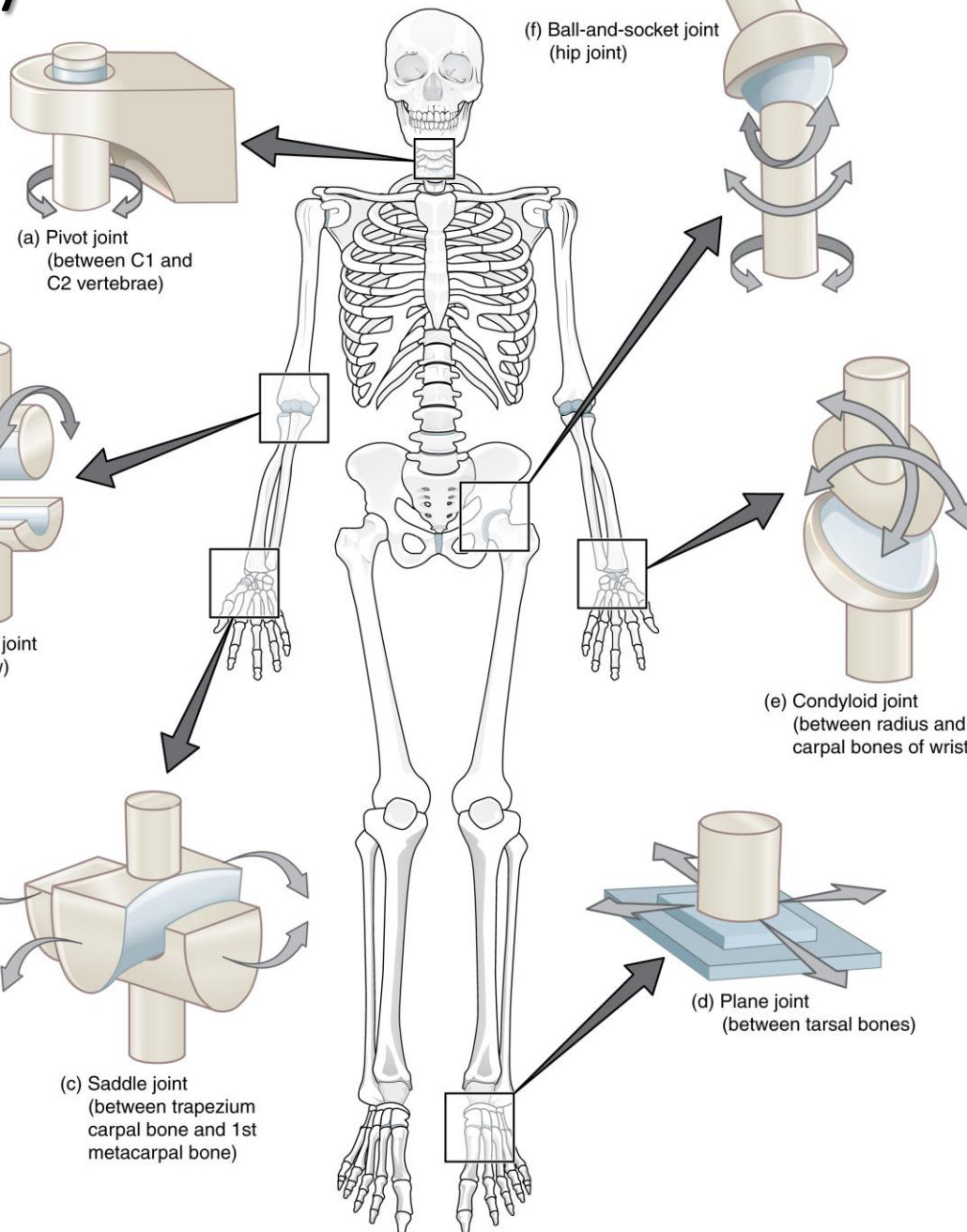
(d) Ellipsoidal joint



(e) Saddle joint



(f) Ball-and-socket joint



Questions

1) What is the classification of gomphosis?

- A. Fibrous
- B. Cartilaginous
- C. Axial Synovial
- D. Plane Synovial

2) Which of the following joints has a minimal movement?

- A. Skull sutures
- B. Inferior tibiofibular joint
- C. 1st sternocostal rib
- D. Gomphosis

3) Which of the following joints has a free range of movement?

- A. Primary cartilaginous joint
- B. Secondary cartilaginous joint
- C. Synovial joint

4) Primary cartilaginous joint are bones joined by fibrocartilage.

- A. True
- B. False

5) Articular capsule is a thin vascular membrane lining the inner surface of the capsule.

- A. True
- B. False

6) According to the range of movement synovial joints are classified into :

- A. plane and axial
- B. proximal and distal
- C. plane and distal

7) Elbow is one of which these joints:

- A. Hinge synovial joint
- B. Pivot synovial joint
- C. Plane synovial joint

- 1) A
- 2) B
- 3) C
- 4) B
- 5) B
- 6) A
- 7) A
- 8) C

8) Wrist is one of which these joints:

- A. Hinge synovial joint
- B. Pivot synovial joint
- C. Ellipsoid synovial joint

9) Carpometacarpal joint of the thumb is Saddle joint. It has:

- A. All range of movement except rotation
- B. All range of movement including a small range of rotation
- C. All range of movement including a large range of rotation

10) The main factor of joint stability in most joints is:

- A. Shape of articular surfaces
- B. Strength of the ligaments
- C. Tone of muscles around it
- D. Shape of bones of the joint

11) A 40 year old obese woman came to see an orthopedic doctor for her left knee pain, the MRI Showed a tear in the cruciate ligaments. What is expected in her case?

- A. muscular atrophy around knee
- B. excessive movement of joint
- C. ball and socket joint dislocation
- D. loss of sensation

12) Which of the following is a primary cartilaginous joint?

- A. 1st sternocostal joint
- B. 2nd sternocostal joint
- C. 8th sternocostal joint
- D. 12th sternocostal joint

13) Hiltons law states that the nerve supplying a joint also supplies :

- A. The muscles moving the joint
- B. The skin overlying the insertion of the muscles
- C. The bones
- D. A & B

- 8) C
- 9) B
- 10) C
- 11) B
- 12) A
- 13) D



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