# HAND & WRIST

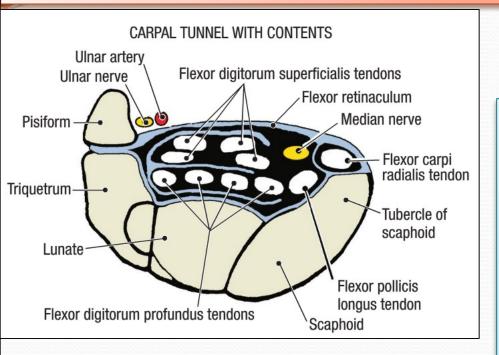
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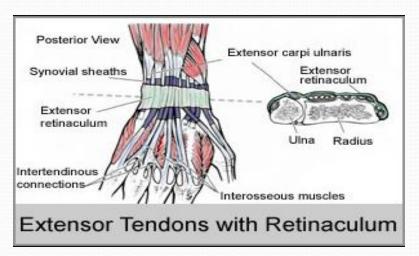
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# **OBJECTIVES**

- 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





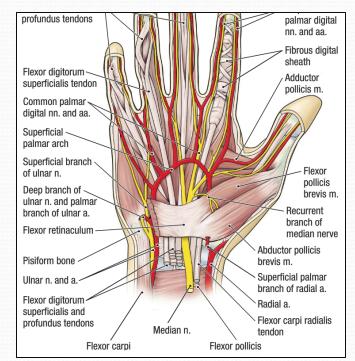


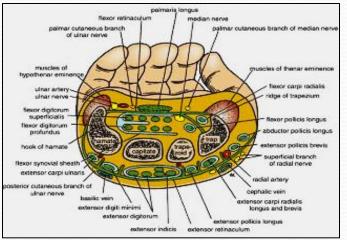
- Flexor & Extensor Retinaculua:
- Bands of Deep Fascia at the Wrist
- Function:
  - Hold the long flexor and extensor tendons at the wrist in position.
- Attachments:
  - Medially: Both retinacula attached to Pisiform & Hook of Hamate.
  - Laterally:
  - Flexor Retinaculum attached to Tubercle of Scaphoid & Trapezium.
  - Extensor Retinaculum attached to Distal end of Radius

#### Structures Superficial to Flexor Retinaculum

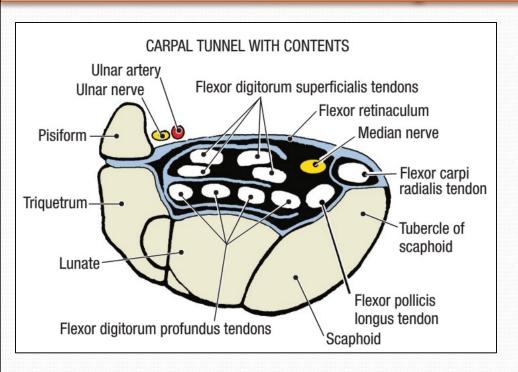
#### From Medial to Lateral

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





### Carpal Tunnel



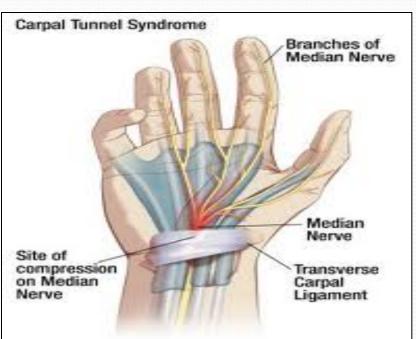
Formed from Concave anterior surface of the Carpus covered by Flexor Retinaculum

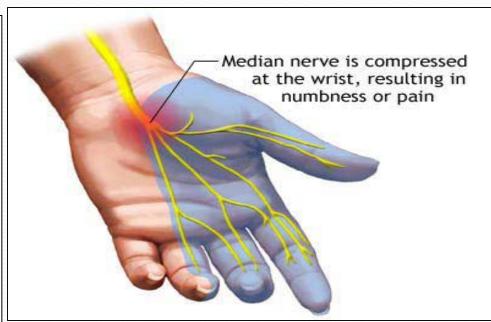
**Contents** 

From Medial to Lateral

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

# **Carpal Tunnel Syndrome**





#### **Causes:**

• Compression of the median nerve within the carpal tunnel

#### **Manifestations:**

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

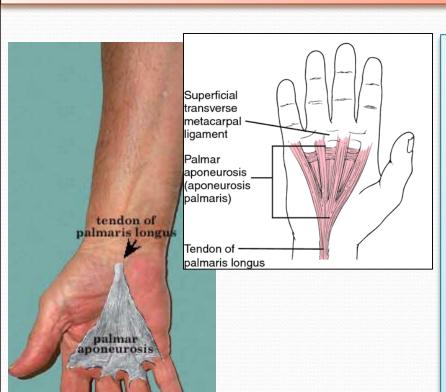
#### **Carpal Tunnel Syndrome**





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

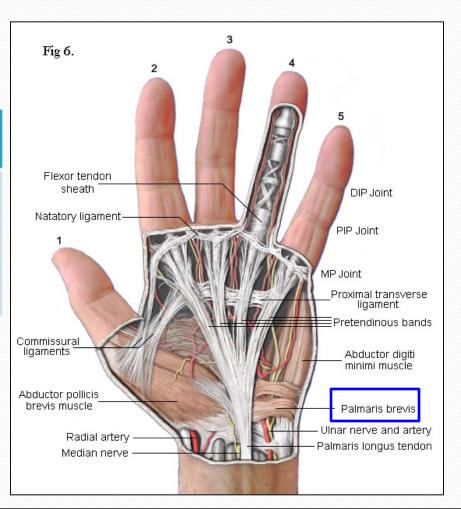
# Palmar Aponeurosis



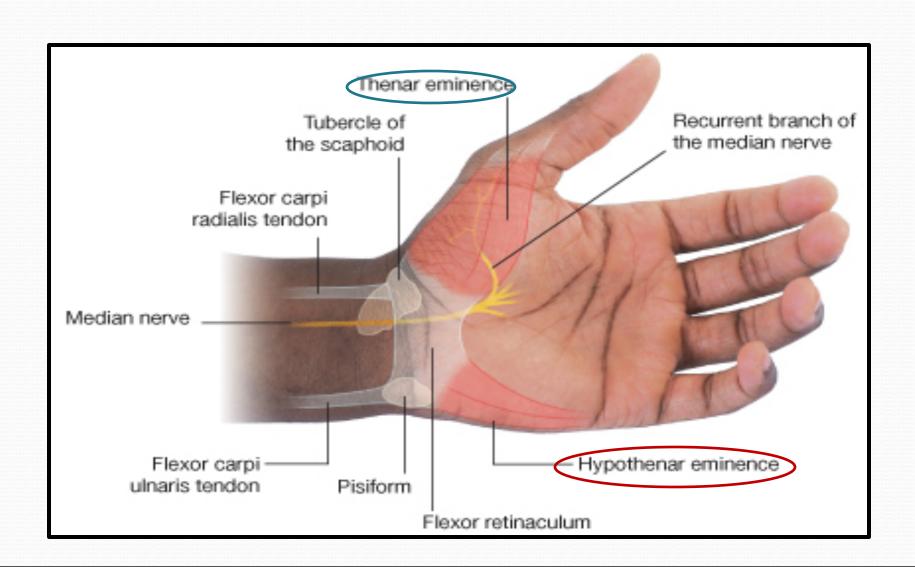
- The Thickened deep fascia of the Palm.
- It is Triangular in shape, occupies the central area of the palm.
- **Apex:** 
  - Attached to the distal border of flexor retinaculum and receives the insertion of palmaris longus tendon.
- Base:
  - Divides at the bases of the fingers into four slips that pass into the fingers.
- Functions:
  - 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**

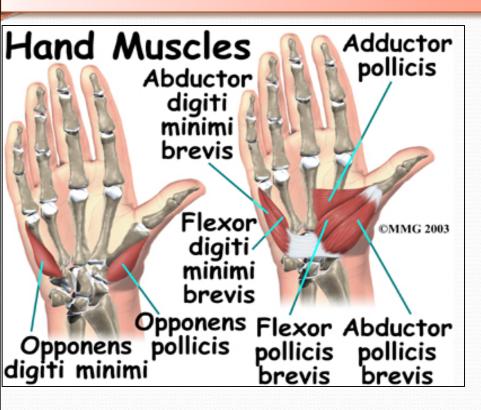
Origin	Inserti on	NS	Action
FR and PA.	Skin of Palm	UN (Superfici al). Branch	Corrugation of skin to improve grip



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



# Hypothenar Eminence (3)



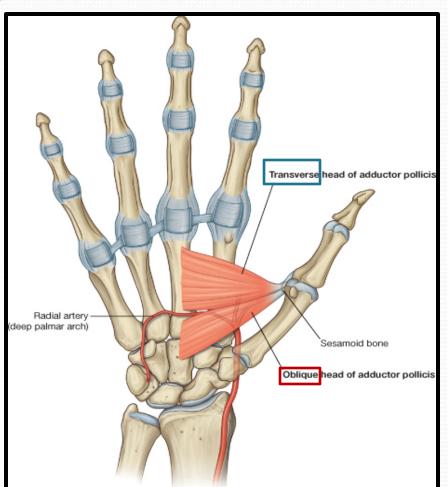
	Origin	Inserti on	NS	Action
Ab Dig Min	Pisifor m	Base of Prox ph	All by Deep branc h of Ulnar	Abduction
Flx Dig Min	FR	With AB DIG MIN		Flexion
Opp Dig Min	Palmar surface of 5 <sup>th</sup> metacar pal			Pulls the 5 <sup>th</sup> metacarp al forward (Cup the palm)

## Thenar Eminence (3)



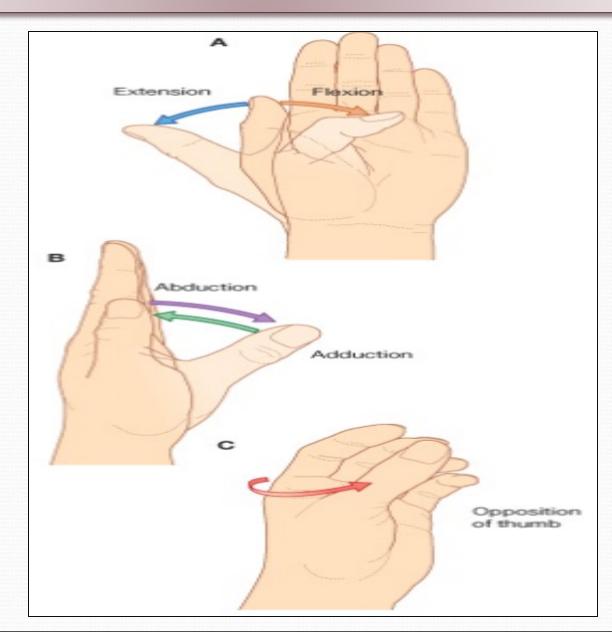
	Origin	Insertio n	NS	ACT
Ab Poll B	FR Scaphd& Trapez	(Base of Prox ph)		AB
Flex Poll B	FR	With AB Poll B		FLX
Opp Poll	FR	Lateral part of 1 <sup>ST</sup> Met		Opp

## **Adductor Pollicis**



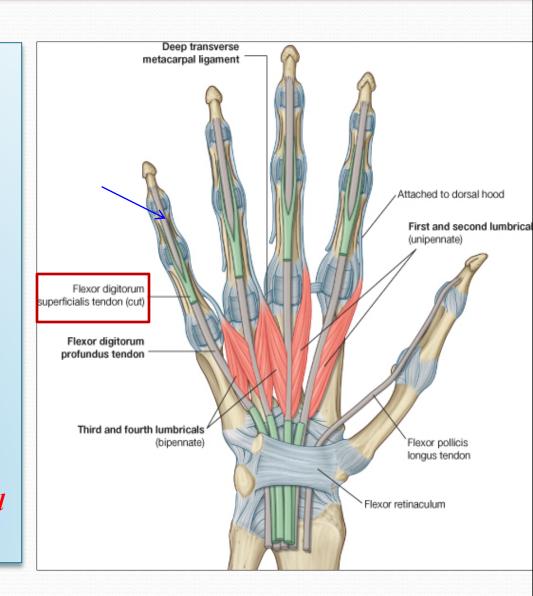
Origin	Insertion	Action	NS
Oblique Head: Ant. bases of 2 <sup>nd</sup> &3 <sup>rd</sup> meta Trans H: 3 <sup>rd</sup> meta	Medial side of base of prox.ph of thumb	Add	Deep branch of Ulnar

#### **Movements of Thumb**

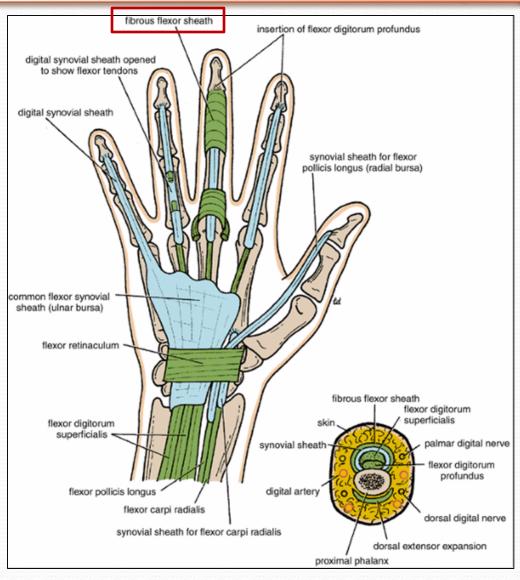


# **Insertion of**Flexor Dig Superficialis & Profundus

- 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.
  - Further Division into two slips
     attached to the Borders of Middle
     Phalanx.
- Flexor dig Profundus
  - Inserted into the **Base of the Distal Phalanx.**



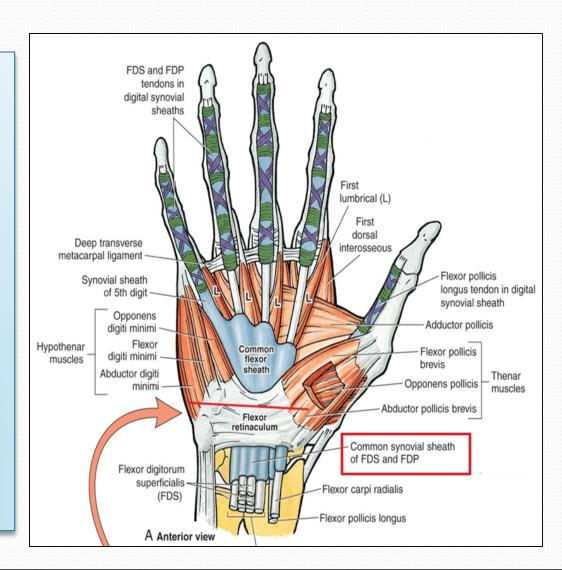
#### Fibrous Flexor (Digital) Sheath



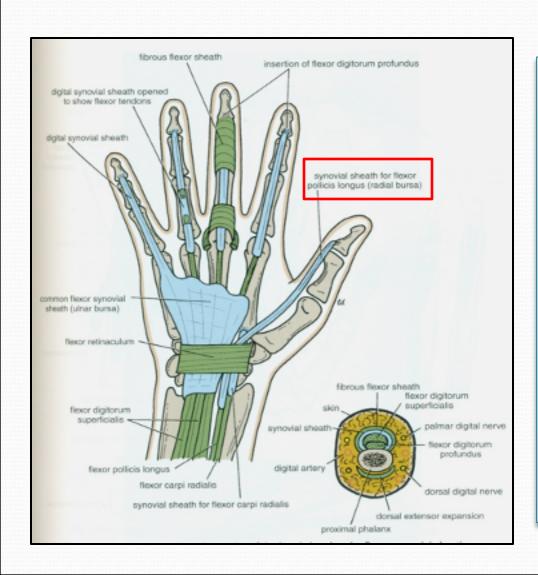
- A Strong Fibrous Sheath, which covers the anterior surface of the fingers and attached to the sides of the phalanges.
- Its Proximal end is opened
- Its Distal end is closed
- The Sheath with the anterior surfaces of the phalanges & the interphalangeal joints form an *Osteofibrous blind Tunnel* for 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.

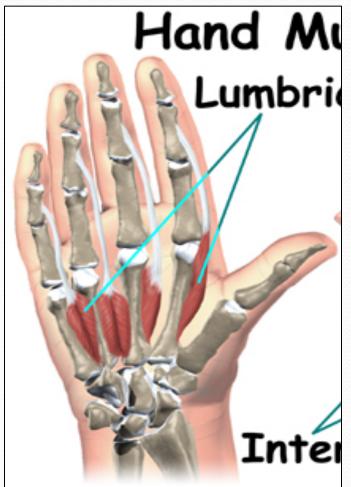


## **Synovial Flexor Sheaths**

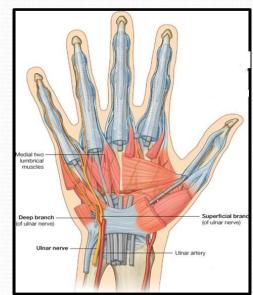


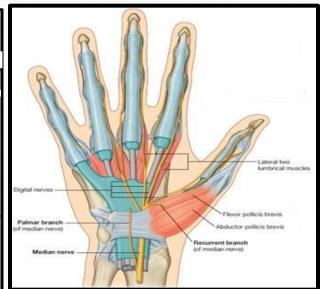
- Flexor Pollicis Longus tendon has its own synovial sheath (<u>Radial</u> <u>Bursa</u>)
- Function of Synovial Sheaths:
- They allow the long tendons to move smoothly with a minimum of friction beneath the flexor retinaculum and the fibrous flexor sheaths.

#### **Lumbrical Muscles (4)**



Origin	Insertion	NS
Tendons of Flex.dig. profundus	EXT. EXP of medial four fingers	1 <sup>ST</sup> & 2 <sup>ND</sup> (Lateral two): Median N. 3 <sup>RD</sup> & 4 <sup>TH</sup> : Ulnar N (Deep branch)

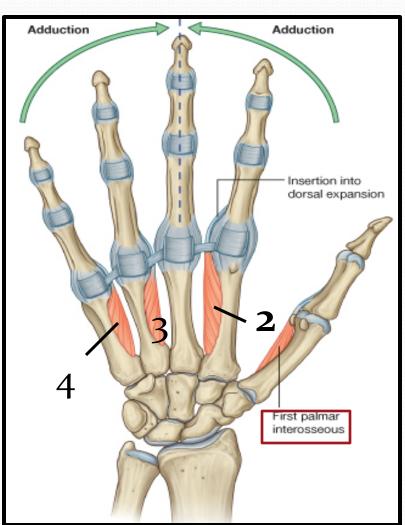




#### **Action:**

Flex metacarpophalangeal joints and extend interphalangeal joints of fingers Except thumb

#### Palmar Interossei (4)

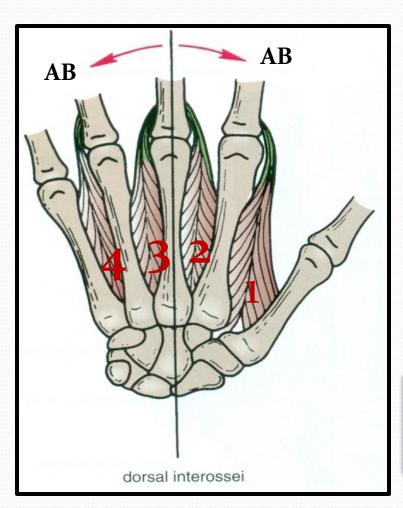


Origin	Insertion	NS	
1st: Base of 1st metacarpal. Other three: Ant. Surface of Shafts of 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>rd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> metacarpals.	Proximal phalanges of thumb, index, ring, & little fingers and Extensor expansion	Un: deep Branch	

#### **Action:**

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

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

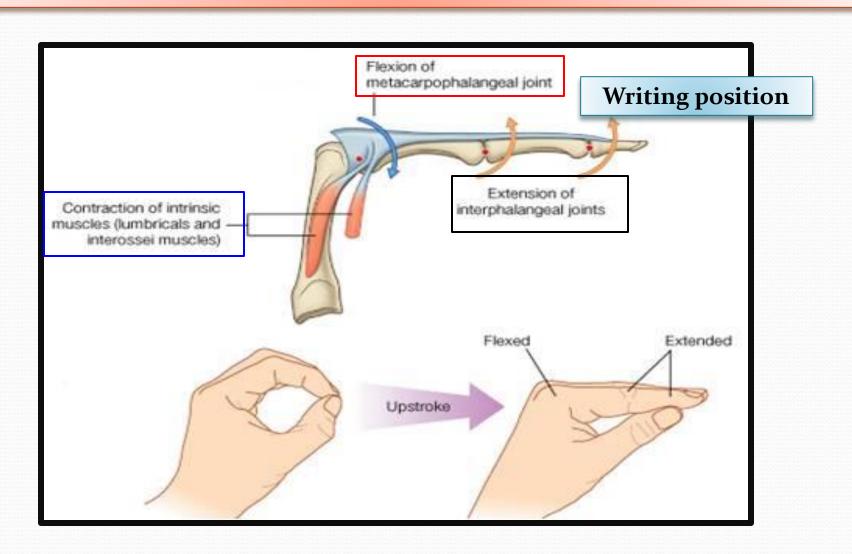


Origin	Insertion	NS
Contiguous sides of shafts of Metacarpals	Proximal Phalang of index, ring ,mid finger & EX	Un deep Branch

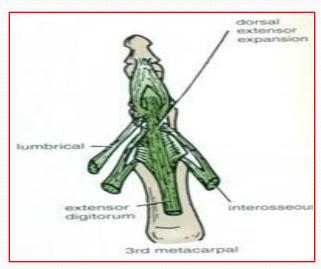
#### **Action:**

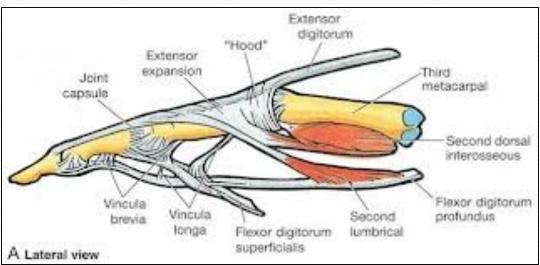
Abduction of fingers away from the 3<sup>rd</sup> one.

#### **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:
  - One Central: inserted into the base of Middle phalanx.
  - Two laterals: inserted into the base of the Distal phalanx.
- The Expansion Receives the insertions of:
  - Corresponding
     Interosseous muscle
     (on each side).
  - Lumbrical muscle (on the lateral side).

