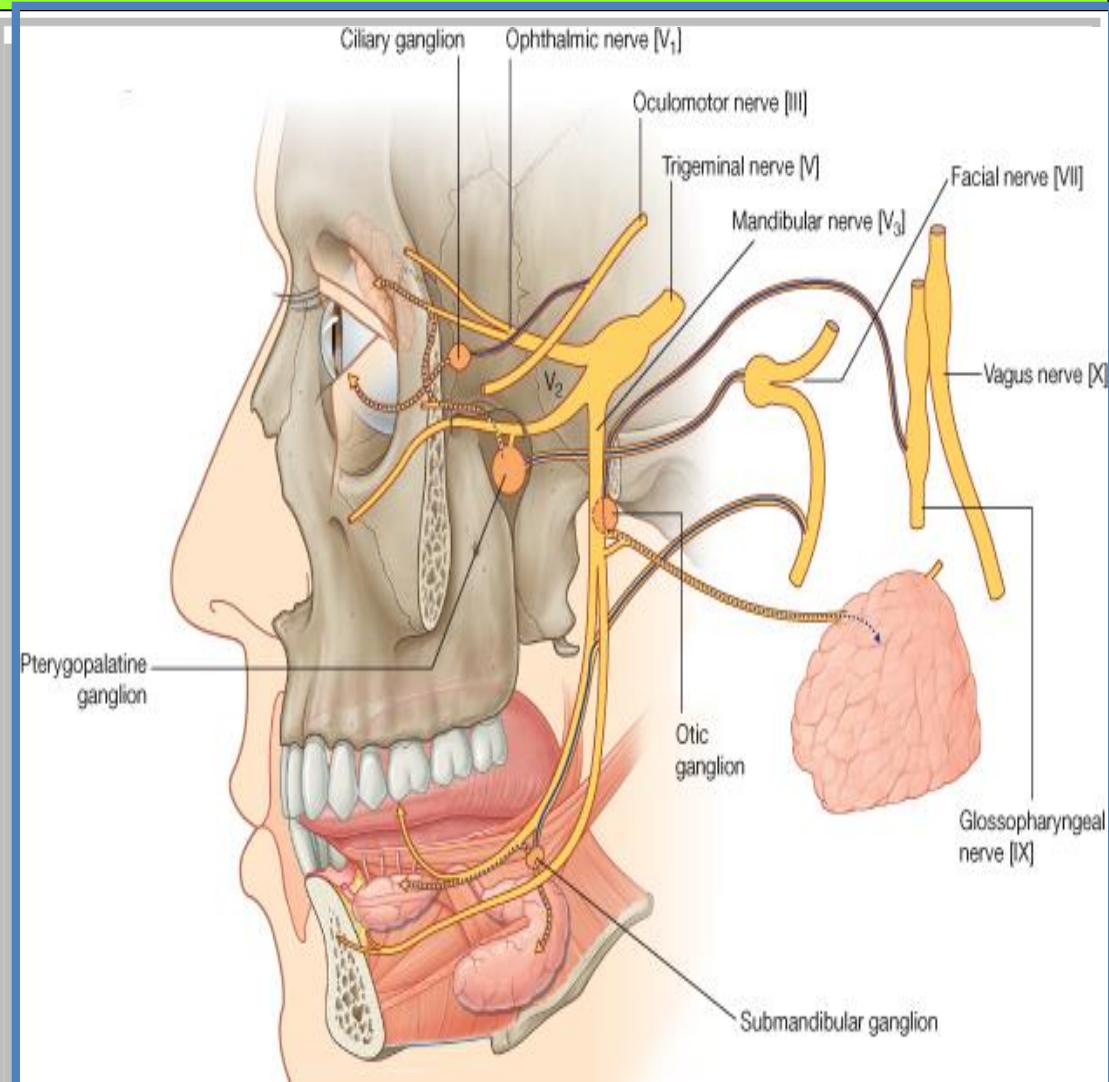


NERVE SUPPLY OF THE FACE

5TH & 7TH CRANIAL NERVES



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OBJECTIVES

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

- List the nuclei of deep origin of the trigeminal and facial nerves in the brain stem.
- Describe the site and type of each nucleus.
- Describe the superficial attachment of these 2 nerves to the brain stem.
- Describe the main points in the course and distribution of these 2 nerves to the face.
- Describe the main motor & sensory manifestation in case of lesion of these 2 nerves.

TRIGEMINAL NERVE

➤ Type:

Mixed: (sensory & motor).

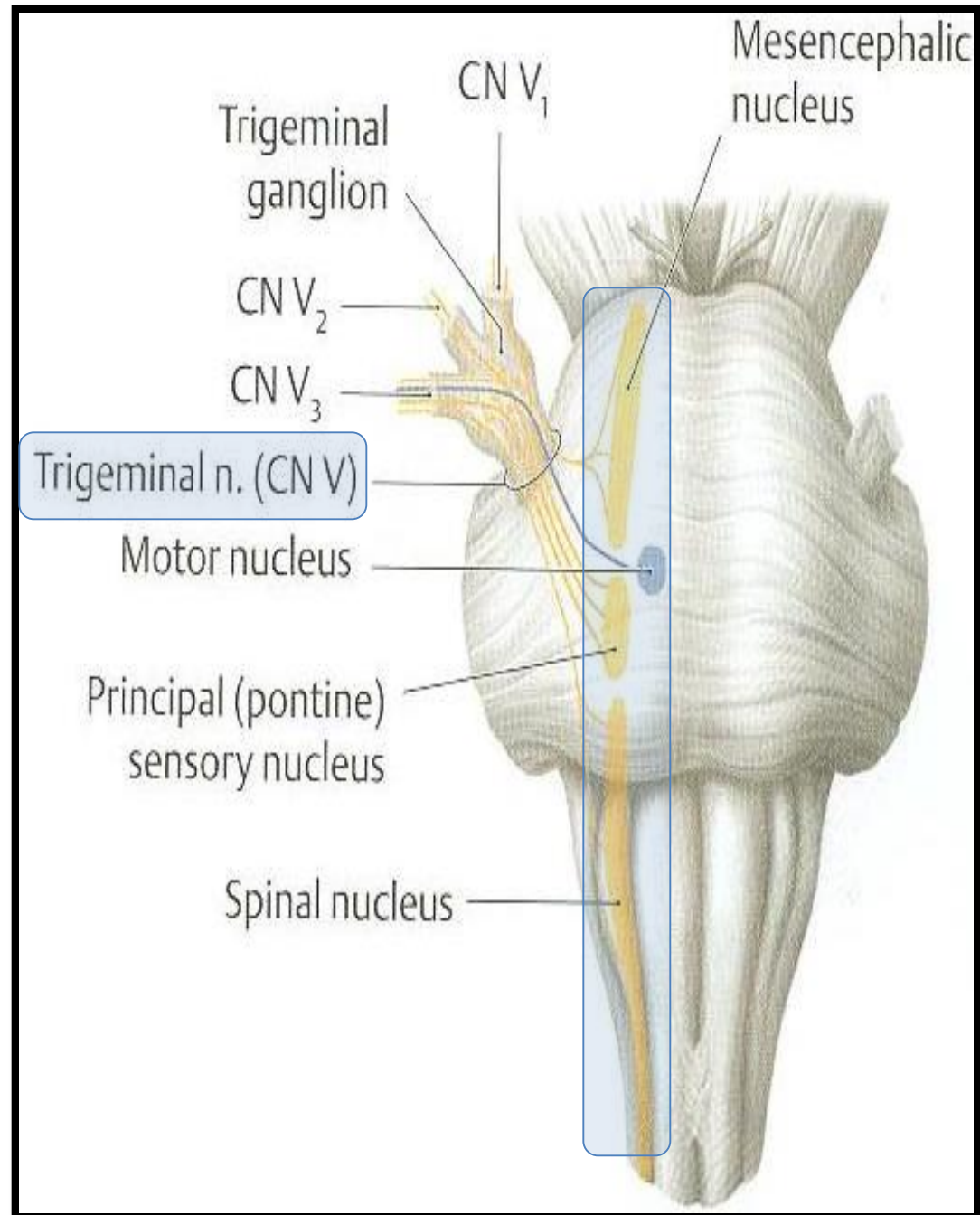
➤ Fibers:

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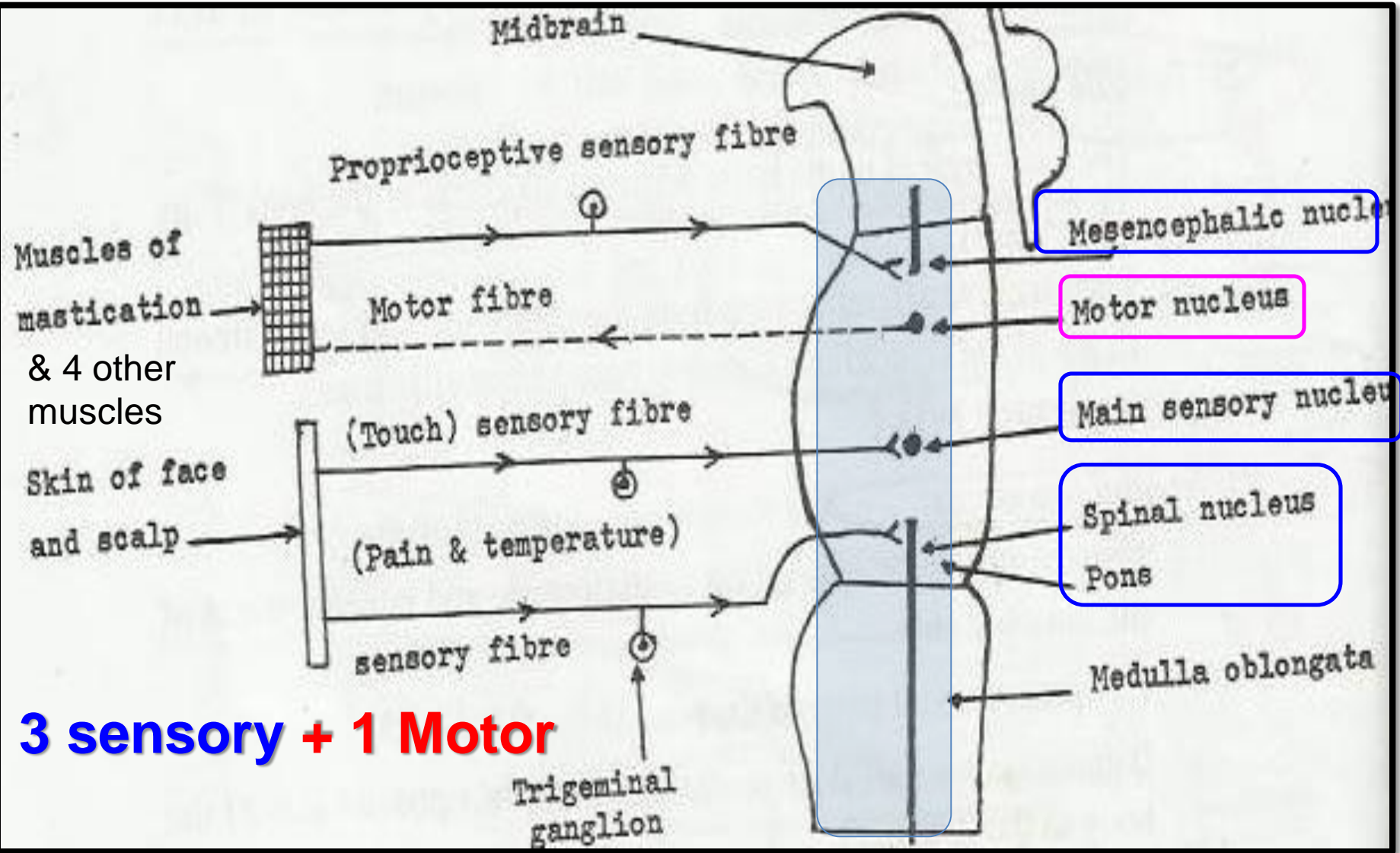
Carrying general sensations from the face and anterior part of the scalp.

2. **Special visceral efferent:**

Supplying muscles developed from the **1st pharyngeal arch**, (8 muscles).



TRIGEMINAL NERVE NUCLEI (Deep origin)



➤ **Four nuclei: (3 sensory + 1 Motor).**

➤ **General somatic afferent:**

1. **Principal (main) sensory nucleus**, (pons): receives touch fibers from face and anterior part of the scalp.
2. **Mesencephalic nucleus** (midbrain & pons): receives proprioceptive fibers from muscles of mastication.
3. **Spinal nucleus**, (Pons, medulla & upper 2-3 cervical segments of the spinal cord): receives pain & temperature sensations from face & scalp.

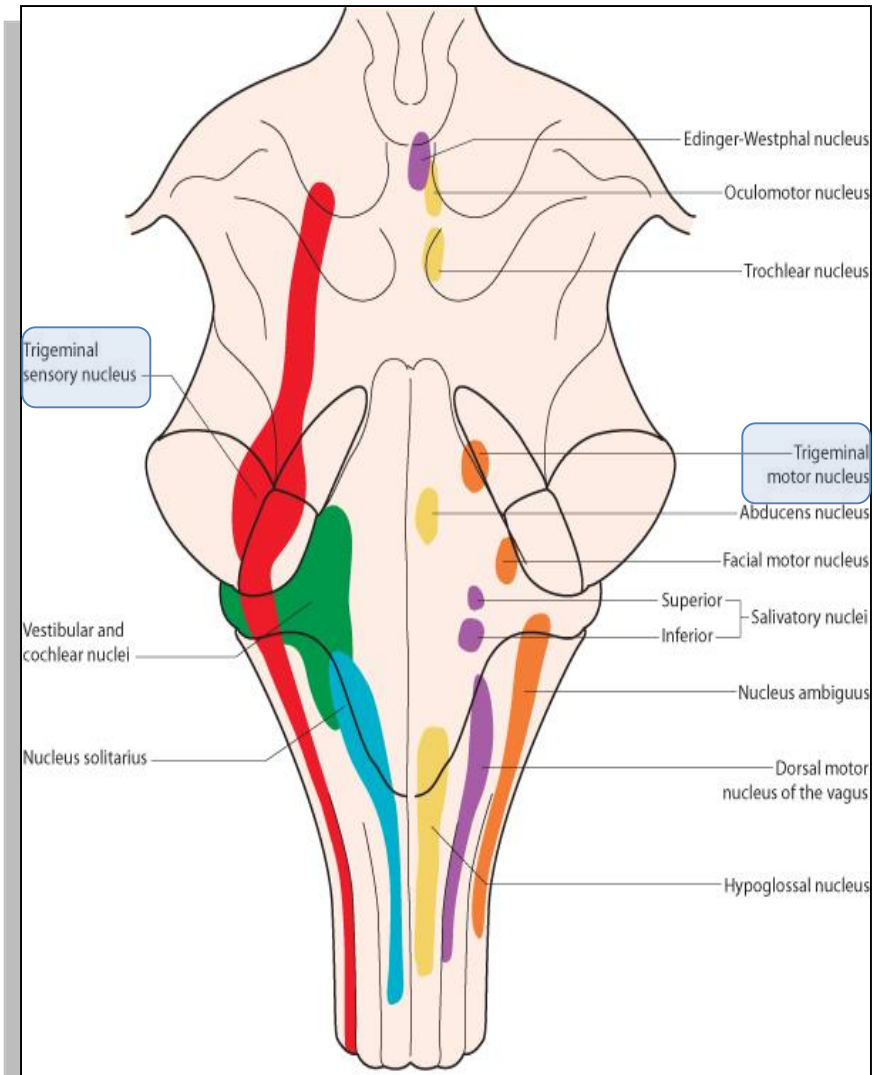
➤ **Special visceral efferent:**

4. **Motor nucleus** (Pons), **supplies: 8 Ms.:**

✓ **Four Muscles of mastication:** (temporalis, masseter, medial pterygoid & lateral pterygoid).

✓ **Other 4 muscles:** (Anterior belly of digastric, mylohyoid, tensor palati & tensor tympani).

TRIGEMINAL NERVE NUCLEI



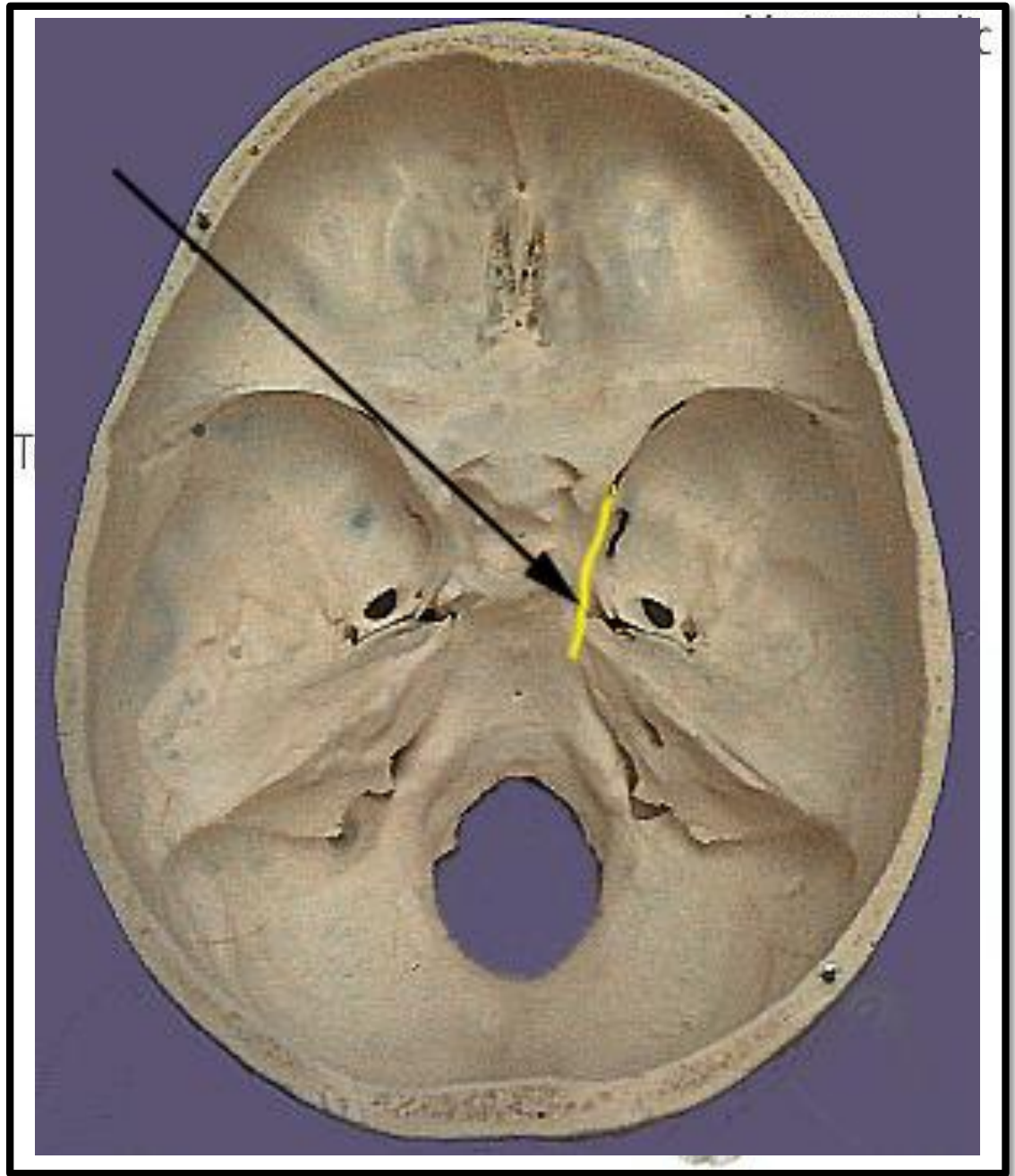
TRIGEMINAL GANGLION

➤ Site:

- Occupies a depression in the middle cranial fossa called trigeminal impression, (apex of petrous temporal bone).

➤ Importance: Contains cell bodies:

1. Whose **dendrites** carry sensations from the face & scalp.
2. Whose **axons** form the sensory root of trigeminal nerve.



TRIGEMINAL NERVE

➤ **Emerges** from the **middle** of the **ventrolateral surface of the pons** by **2 roots** (Large Lateral sensory root & small medial motor root).

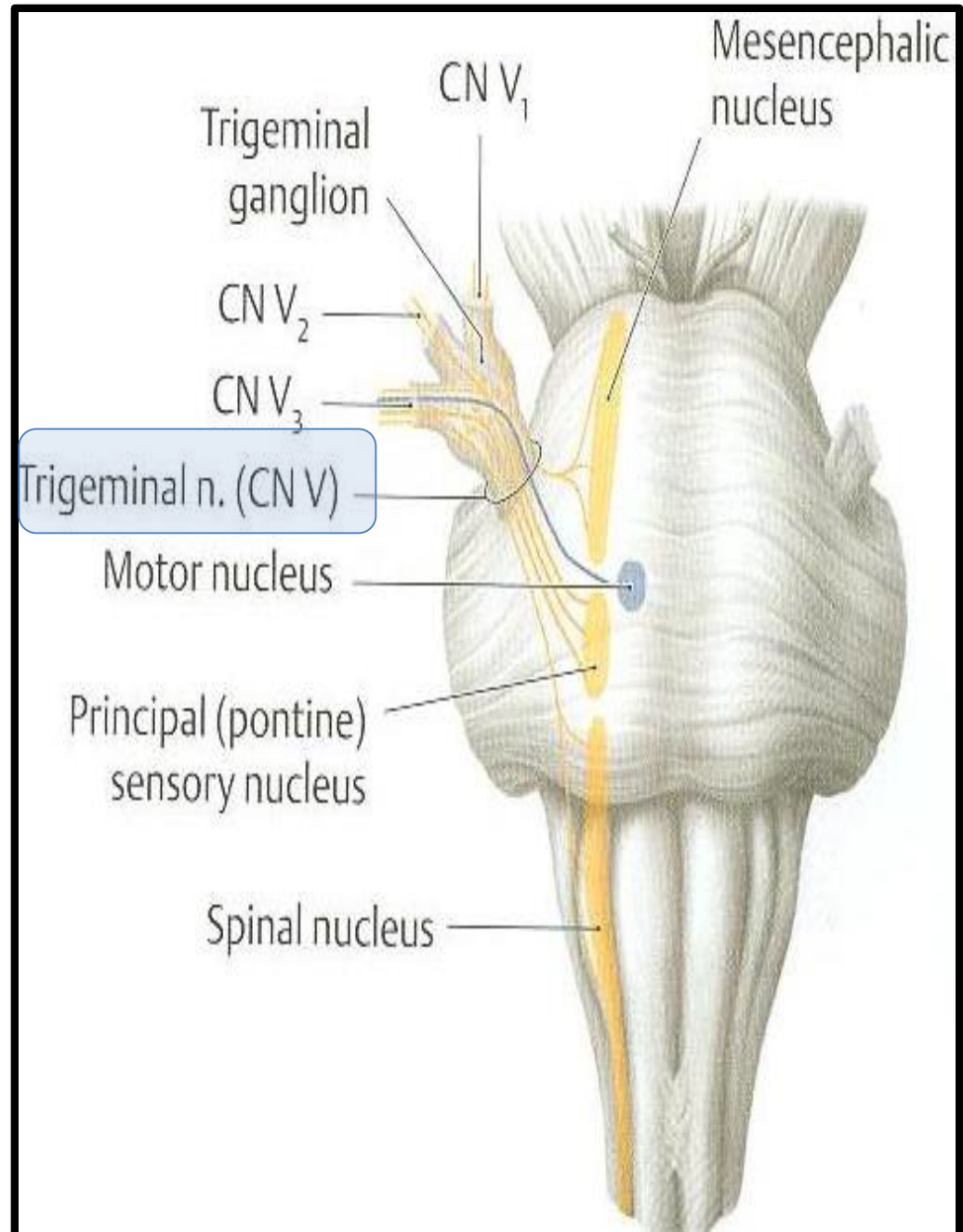
➤ Divides into 3 divisions (dendrites of trigeminal ganglion):

1. **Ophthalmic.**

2. **Maxillary.**

3. **Mandibular.**

➤ Axons of cells of motor nucleus join **only** the mandibular division.



Trigeminal nerve (V)

Ophthalmic nerve (V₁)

Maxillary nerve (V₂)

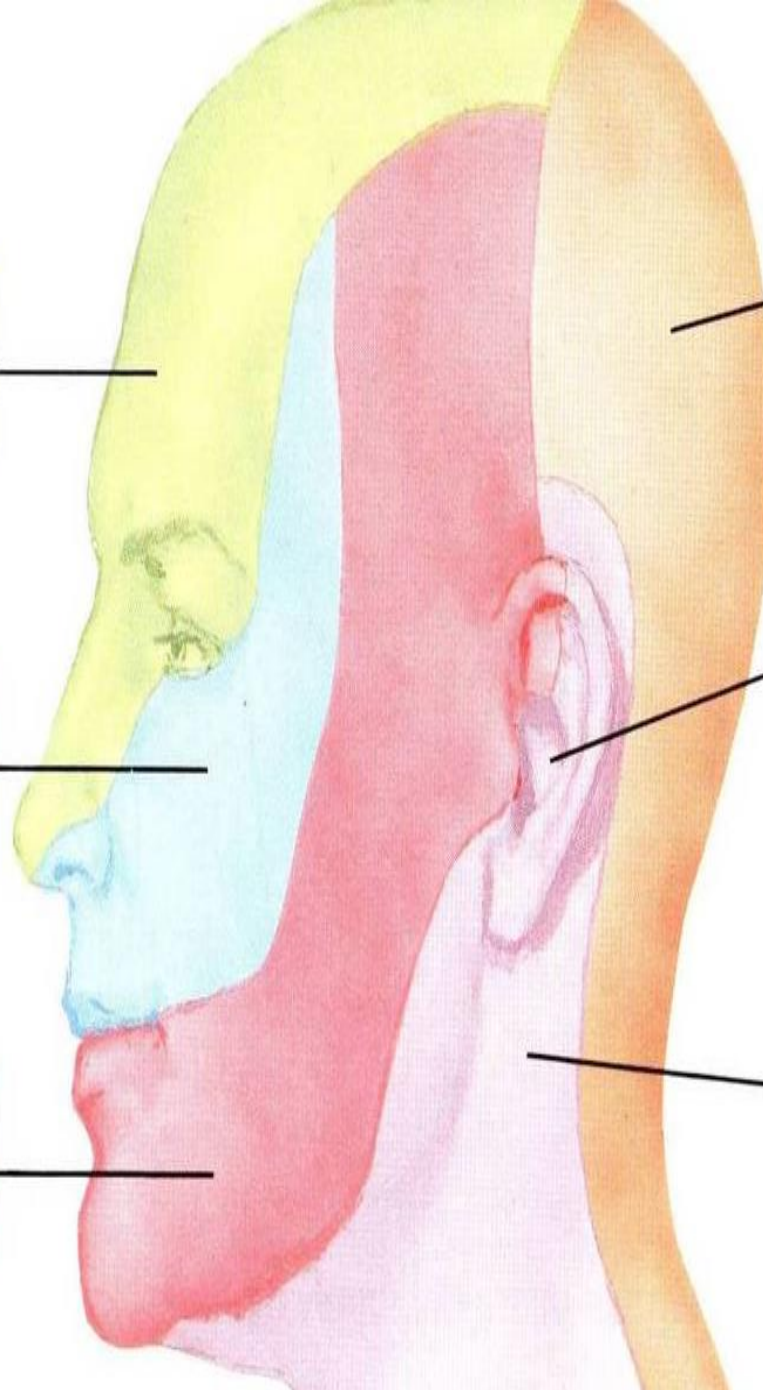
Mandibular nerve (V₃)

Dorsal rami of cervical spinal nerves

Auricular branch of vagus to external meatus and small area on posteromedial surface of auricle

Branches from cervical plexus

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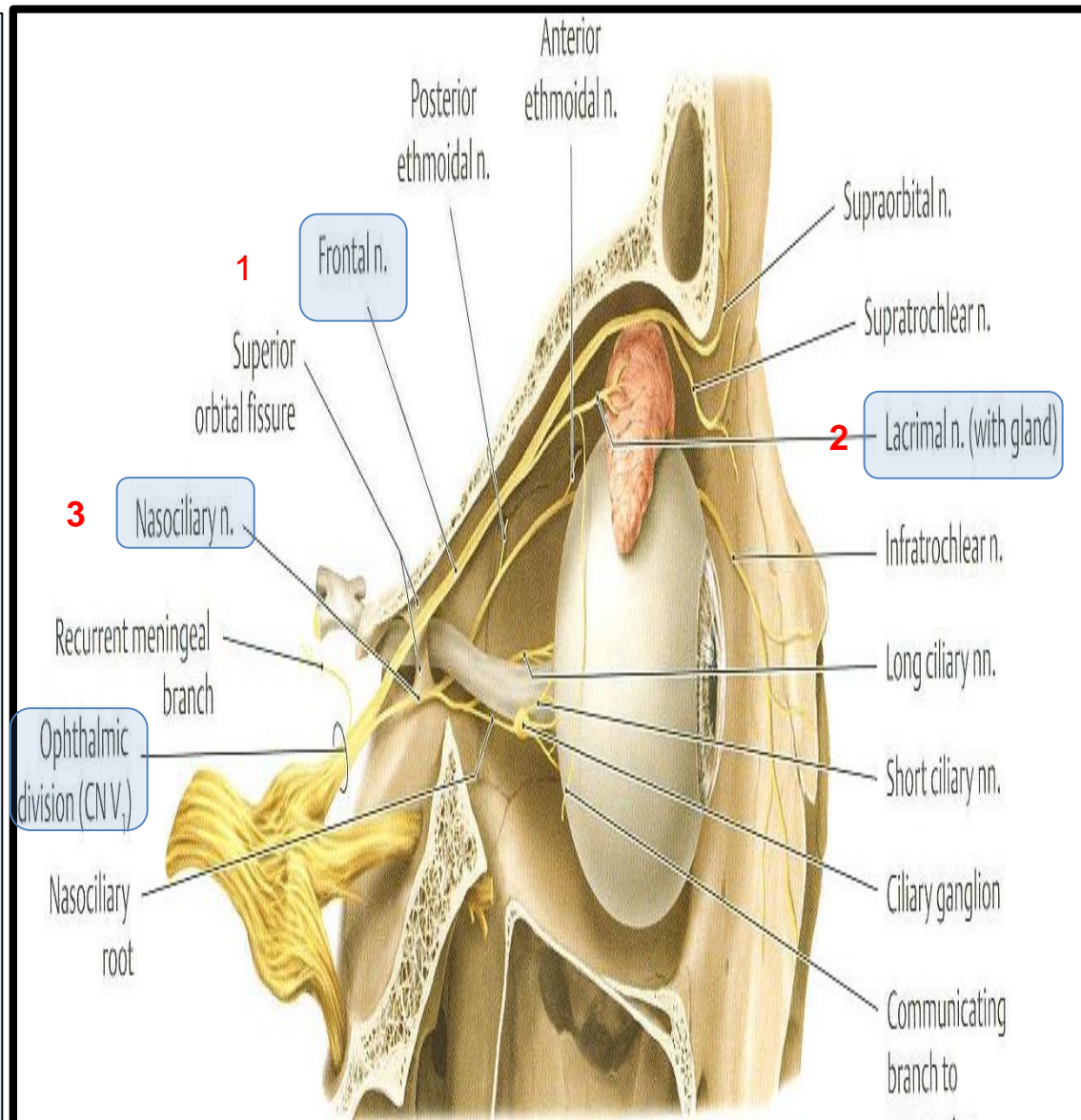
OPHTHALMIC (PURE SENSORY)

➤ Divides into 3 branches:

1. *Frontal, (in the middle).*
2. *Lacrimal, (most lateral).*
3. *Nasociliary, (most medial).*

➤ All pass through superior orbital fissure to reach the orbit.

1. **Frontal:** supplies skin of face & scalp.
2. **Lacrimal:** supplies skin of face & lacrimal gland (sensory)!!!!!!.
3. **Nasociliary:** supplies skin of face, nasal cavity & eyeball.



MAXILLARY (PURE SENSORY)

➤ Supplies:

1. Upper teeth, gums & maxillary air sinus:

(posterior superior middle superior, anterior superior alveolar nerves).

2. Face:

(zygomaticofacial & infraorbital nerves).

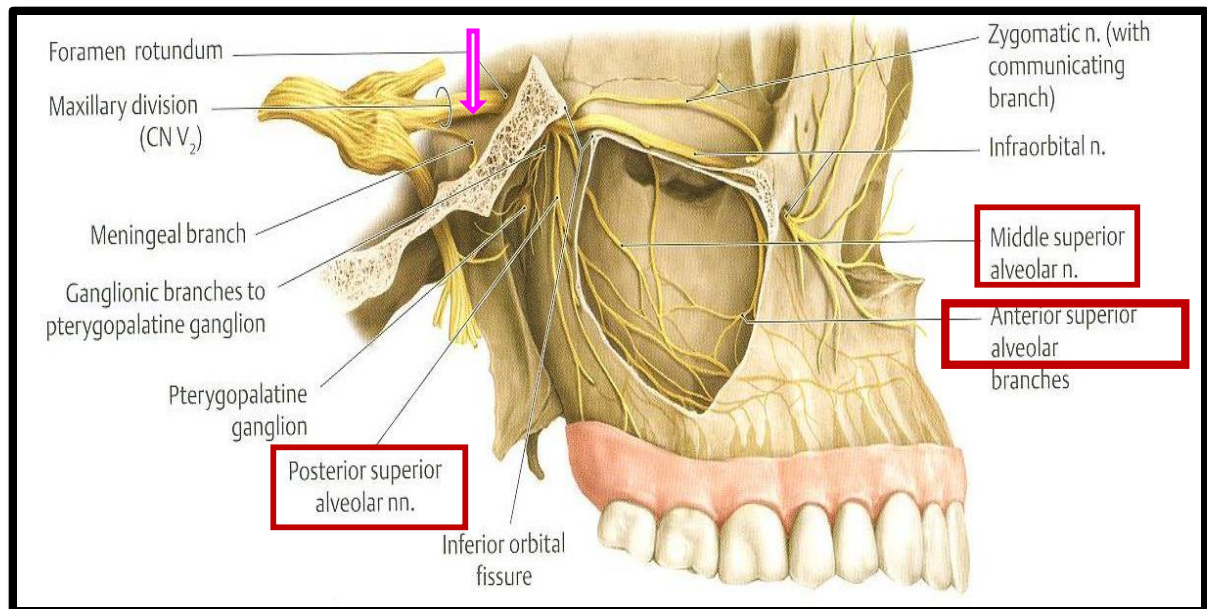
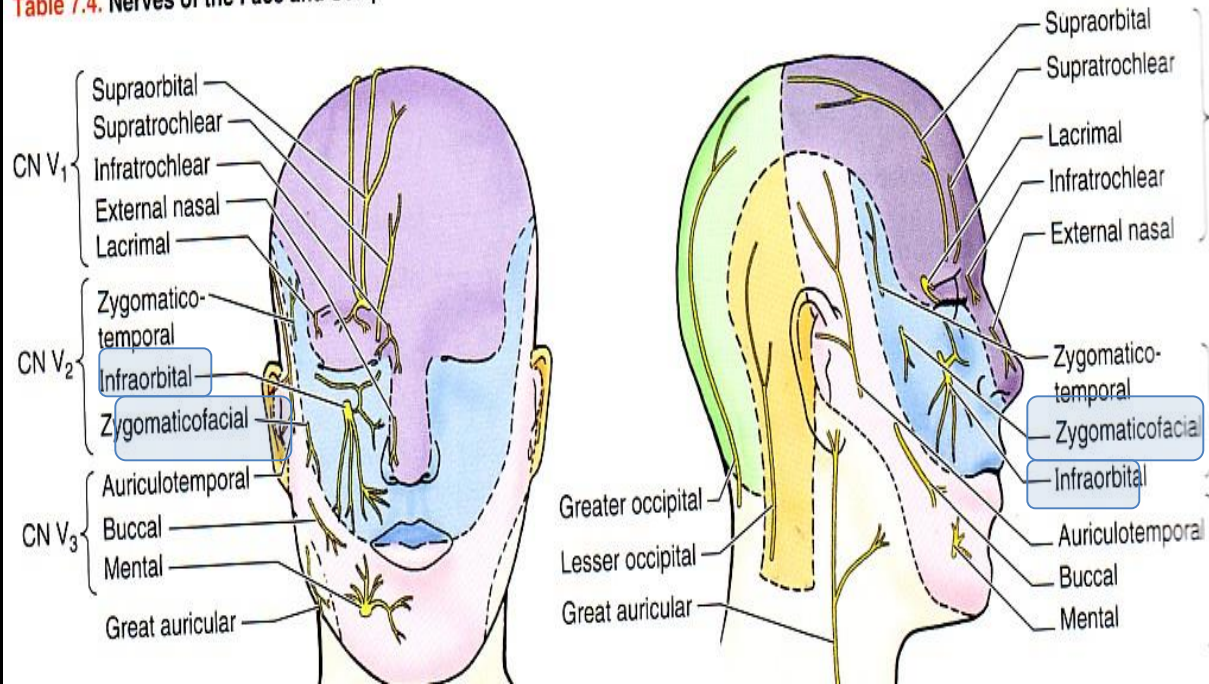


Table 7.4. Nerves of the Face and Scalp



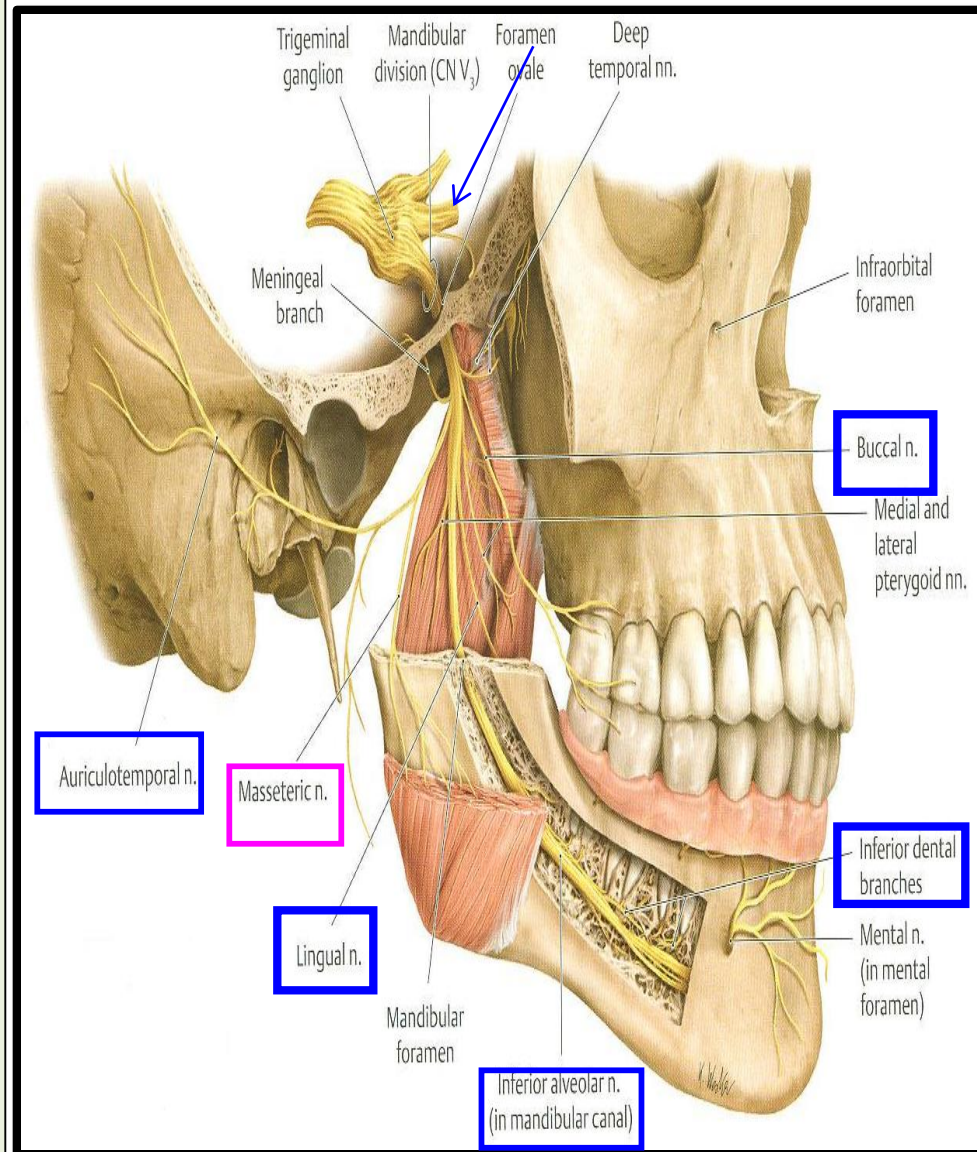
MANDIBULAR (MIXED)

➤ SENSORY BRANCHES:

1. **Lingual:** receives
General sensations from anterior 2/3 the of tongue.
2. **Inferior alveolar:** supplies
Lower teeth, gums & face.
3. **Buccal:** supplies the skin and mucous membrane of the cheek on upper jaw)
4. **Auriculotemporal:** supplies
auricle, temple, parotid gland & Temporomandibular joint (TMJ).

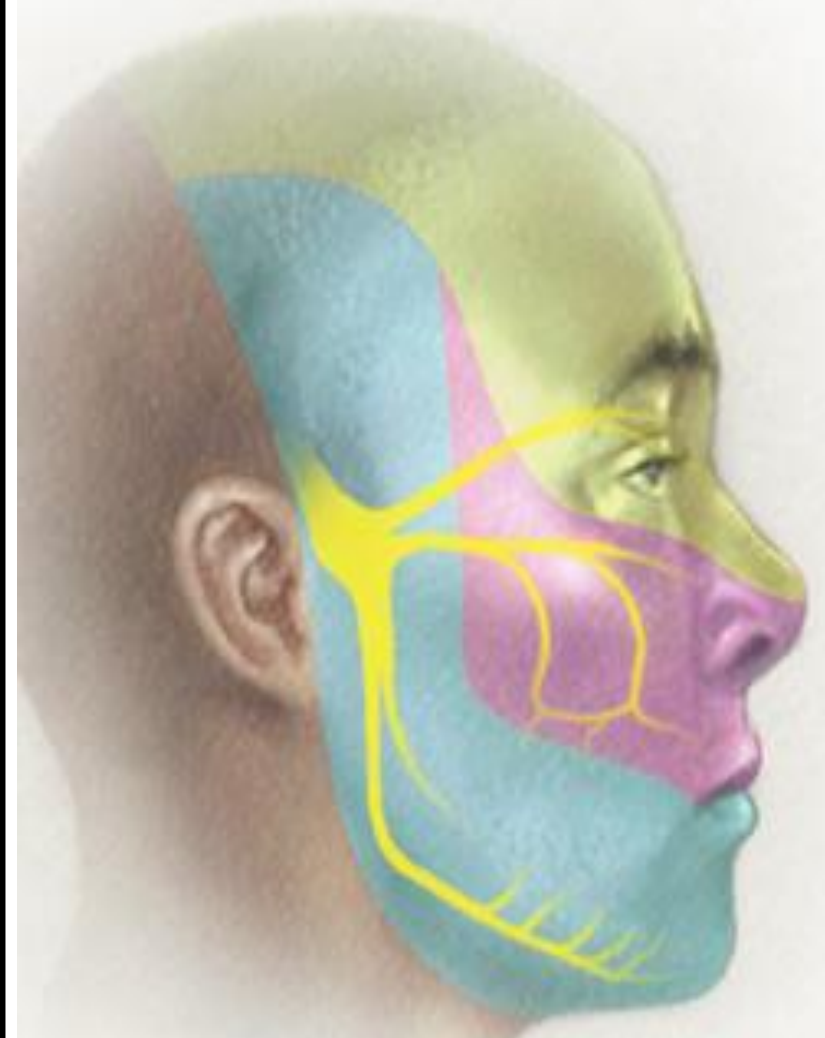
➤ MOTOR BRANCHES:

to 8 muscles (4 muscles of mastication & other 4 muscles).



Trigeminal Neuralgia

- Compression, degeneration or inflammation of the **5th cranial nerve** may result in a condition called **trigeminal neuralgia** or tic douloureux (spasmodic contraction of the muscles in the face)
- This condition is characterized by **recurring episodes of intense severe stabbing excruciating pain** radiating from the angle of the jaw along a branches of the trigeminal nerve.
- **Usually involves** maxillary & mandibular branches, rarely in the ophthalmic division.



• Type: Mixed:

1. Motor,
2. Special sensory,
3. Parasympathetic.

➤ Fibers:

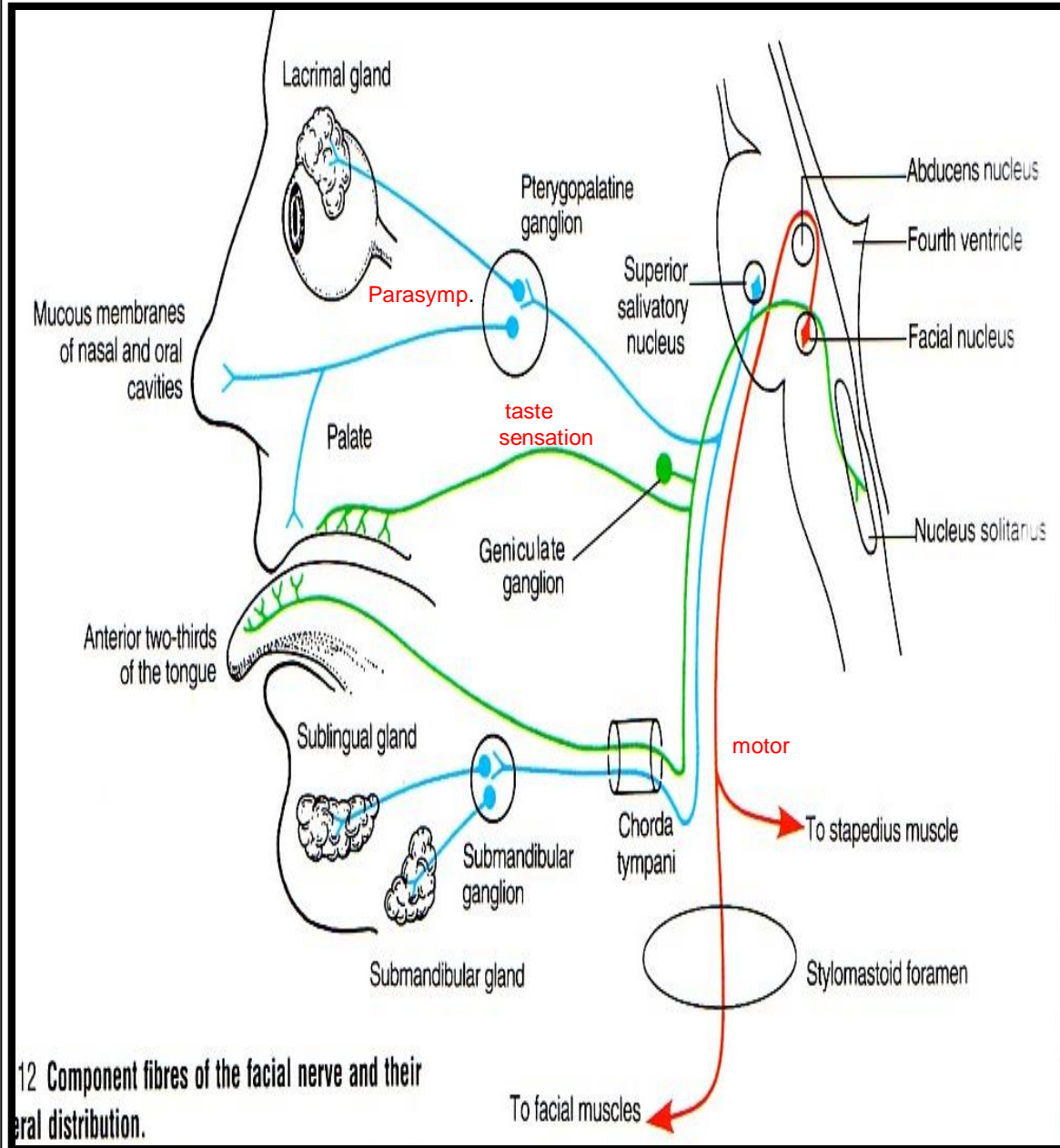
1. Special visceral afferent: carrying taste sensation from the anterior 2/3 of the tongue.

2. Special visceral efferent: To muscles developed from the **2nd pharyngeal arch**.

3. General visceral efferent: supplying parasympathetic secretory fibers to the:

1. Submandibular,
2. Sublingual,
3. Lacrimal,
4. Nasal &
5. Palatine glands.

FACIAL NERVE



FACIAL NERVE NUCLEI

➤ 3 Nuclei:

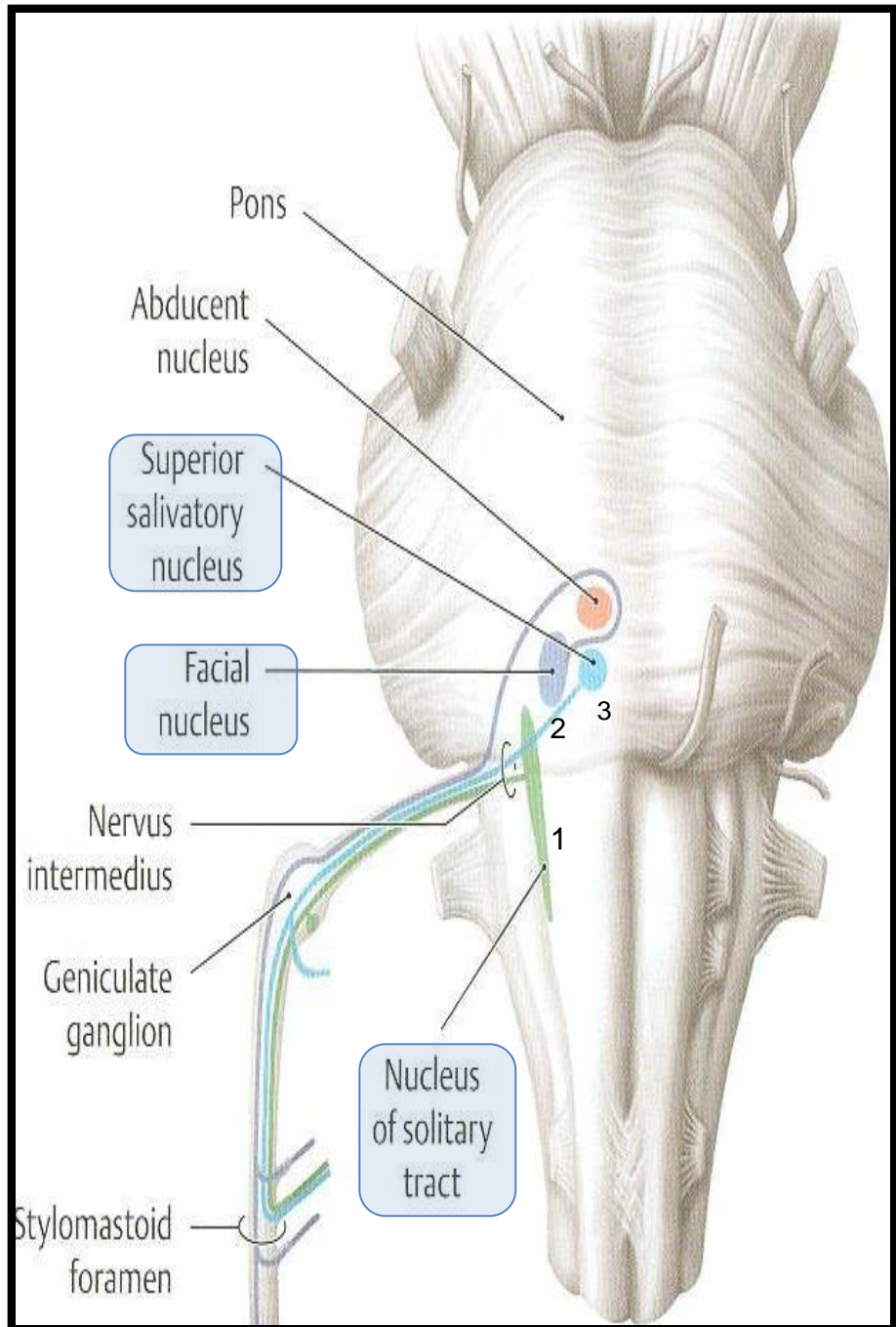
1. Special visceral afferent: (nucleus solitarius): receives taste from the anterior 2/3 of the tongue.

2. Special visceral efferent: (motor nucleus of facial nerve): supplies muscles of 2nd pharyngeal arch: muscles of face, posterior belly of digastric, stylohyoid, platysma, stapedius, and occipitofrontalis.

3. General visceral efferent: superior salivatory nucleus: sends preganglionic **parasympathetic secretory fibers** to:

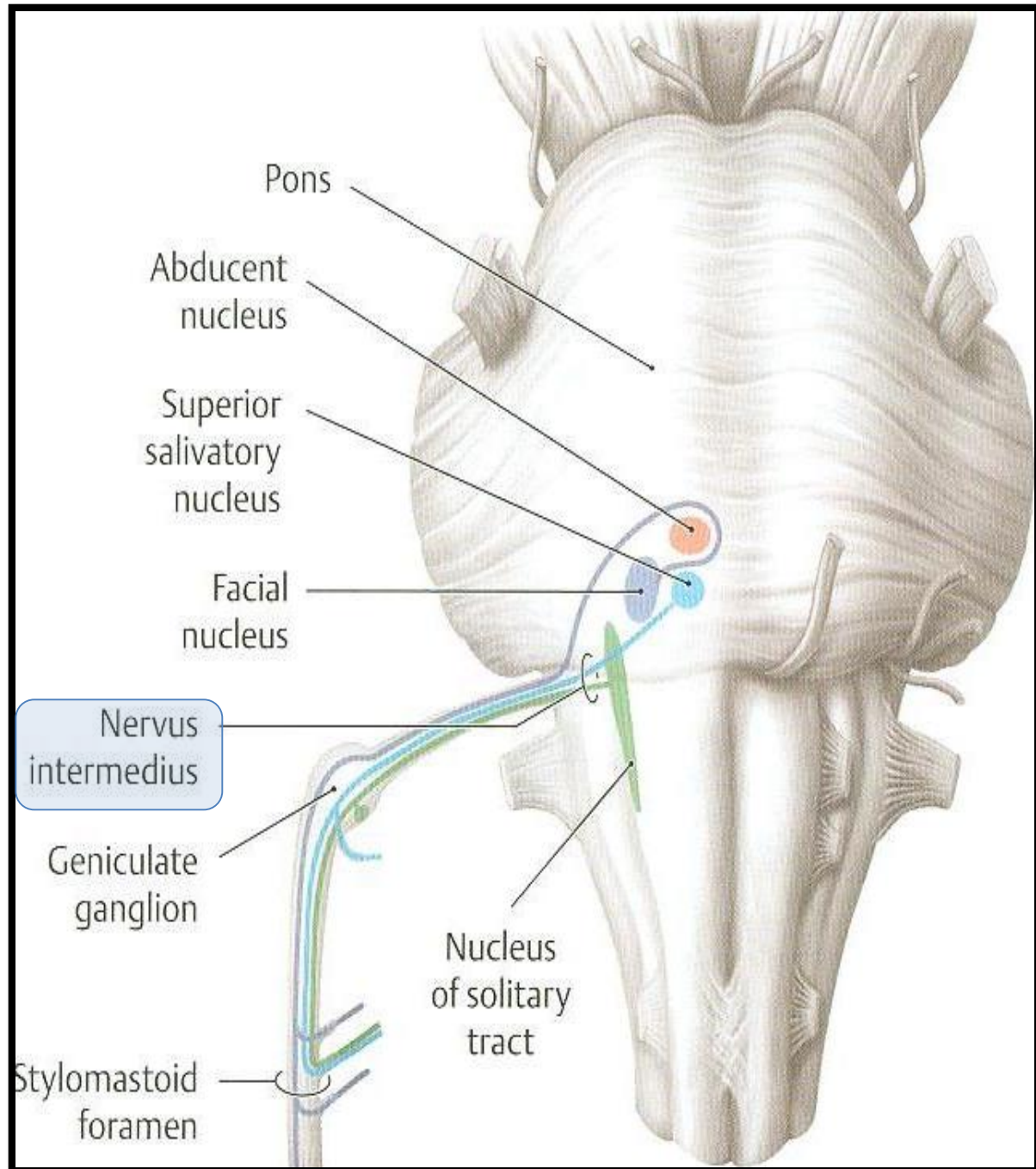
- **Pterygopalatine ganglion** and
- **Submandibular ganglion.**

Then the Postganglionic fibers pass to the lacrimal, nasal, palatine sublingual, submandibular glands.



COURSE OF FACIAL NERVE

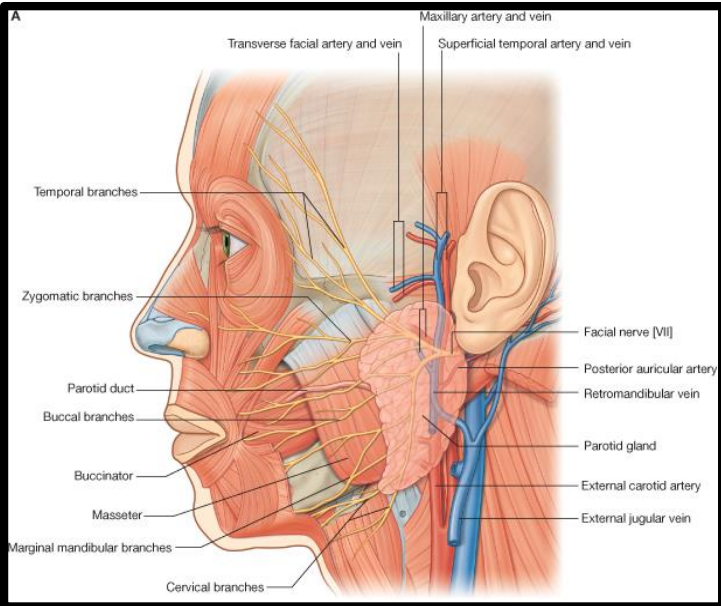
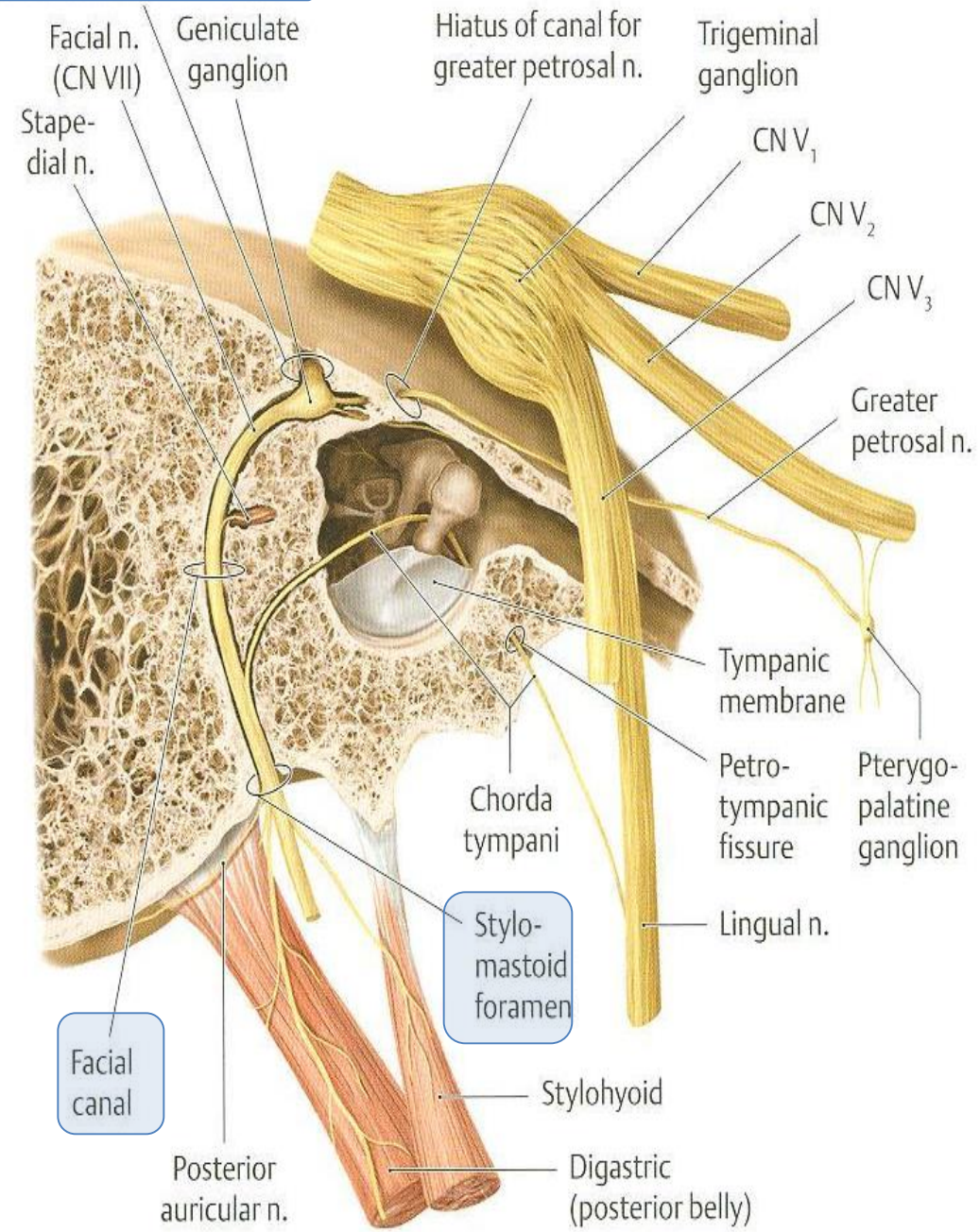
- Emerges from the cerebellopontine angle, (very important)!!!
- by 2 roots:
 - 1. Medial motor root:** contains motor fibers.
 - 2. Lateral root (nervus intermedius):** contains parasympathetic & taste fibers.



COURSE OF FACIAL NERVE

- Passes through internal acoustic meatus to the **inner ear** where it runs in the **facial canal**.
- Emerges from the stylomastoid foramen & **enters the parotid gland** where it ends.

Internal acoustic meatus



➤ In facial canal:

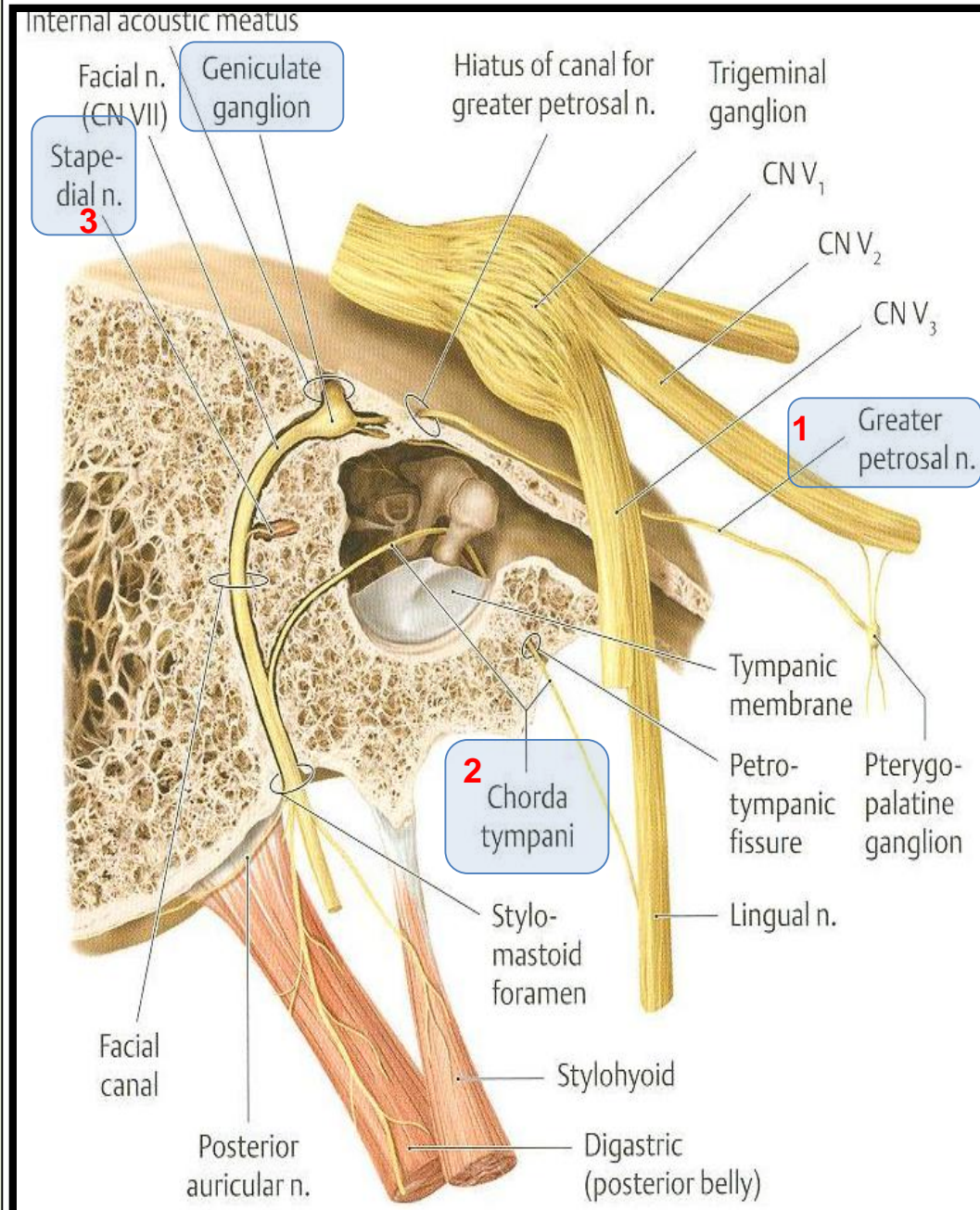
1. **Greater petrosal nerve:** carries preganglionic parasympathetic fibers to pterygopalatine ganglion then to the lacrimal, nasal & palatine glands.
2. **Chorda tympani:** carries:
 - a) preganglionic parasympathetic fibers to submandibular ganglion then to submandibular & sublingual salivary glands.
 - b) taste fibers from anterior 2/3 of the tongue.
3. **Nerve to stapedius.** control the amplitude of sound waves from external environment to inner ear.

N.B: Geniculate ganglion:

Lies in internal acoustic meatus.

contains cell bodies of **neurons** ; its Fibers carrying taste sensations from anterior 2/3 of tongue; ending in the solitary nucleus in medulla oblongata.

BRANCHES



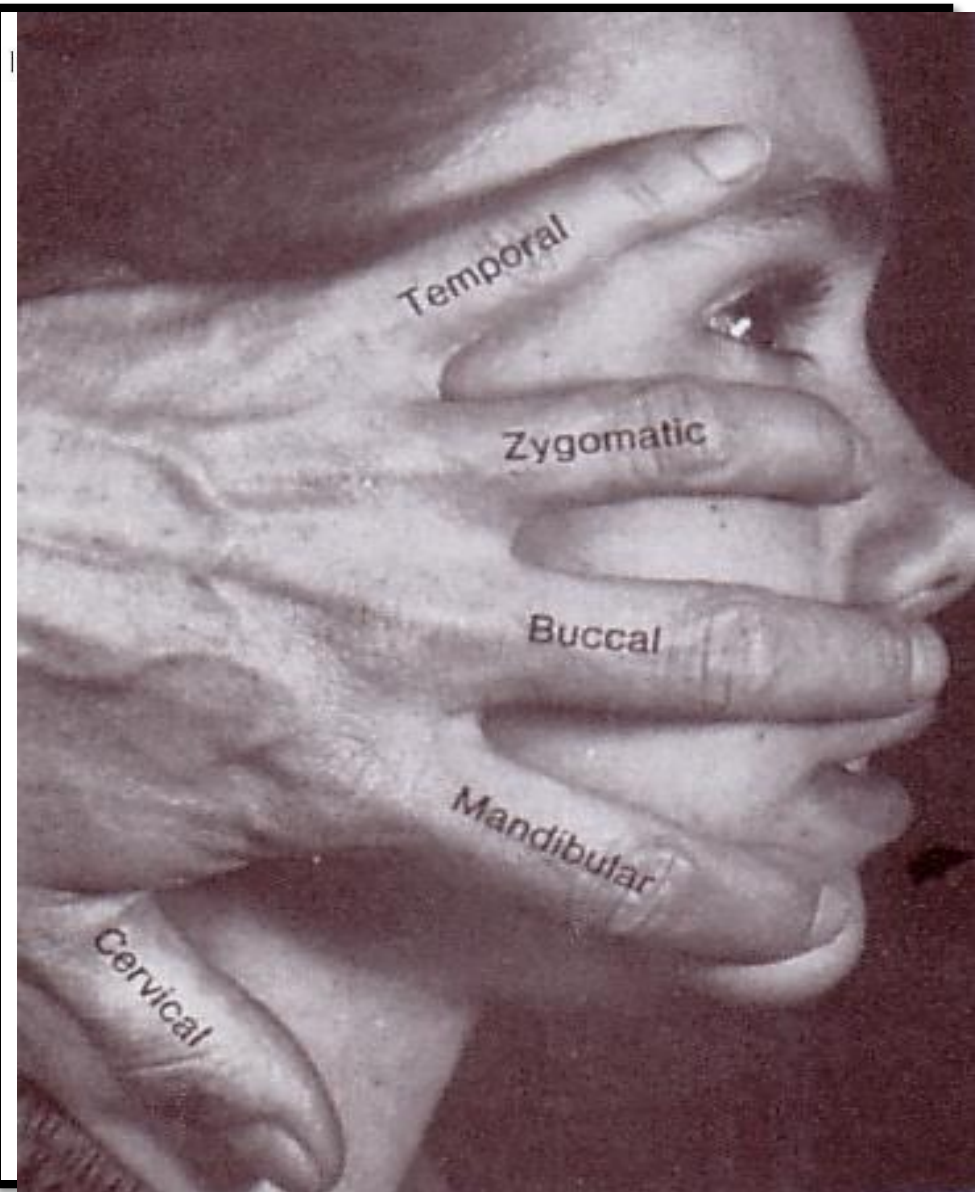
BRANCHES OF FACIAL NERVE

➤ Just as it emerges from the stylomastoid foramen it gives 2 branches:

1. **Posterior auricular:** to occipitofrontalis muscle.
2. **Muscular** branches to posterior belly of digastric & stylohyoid.

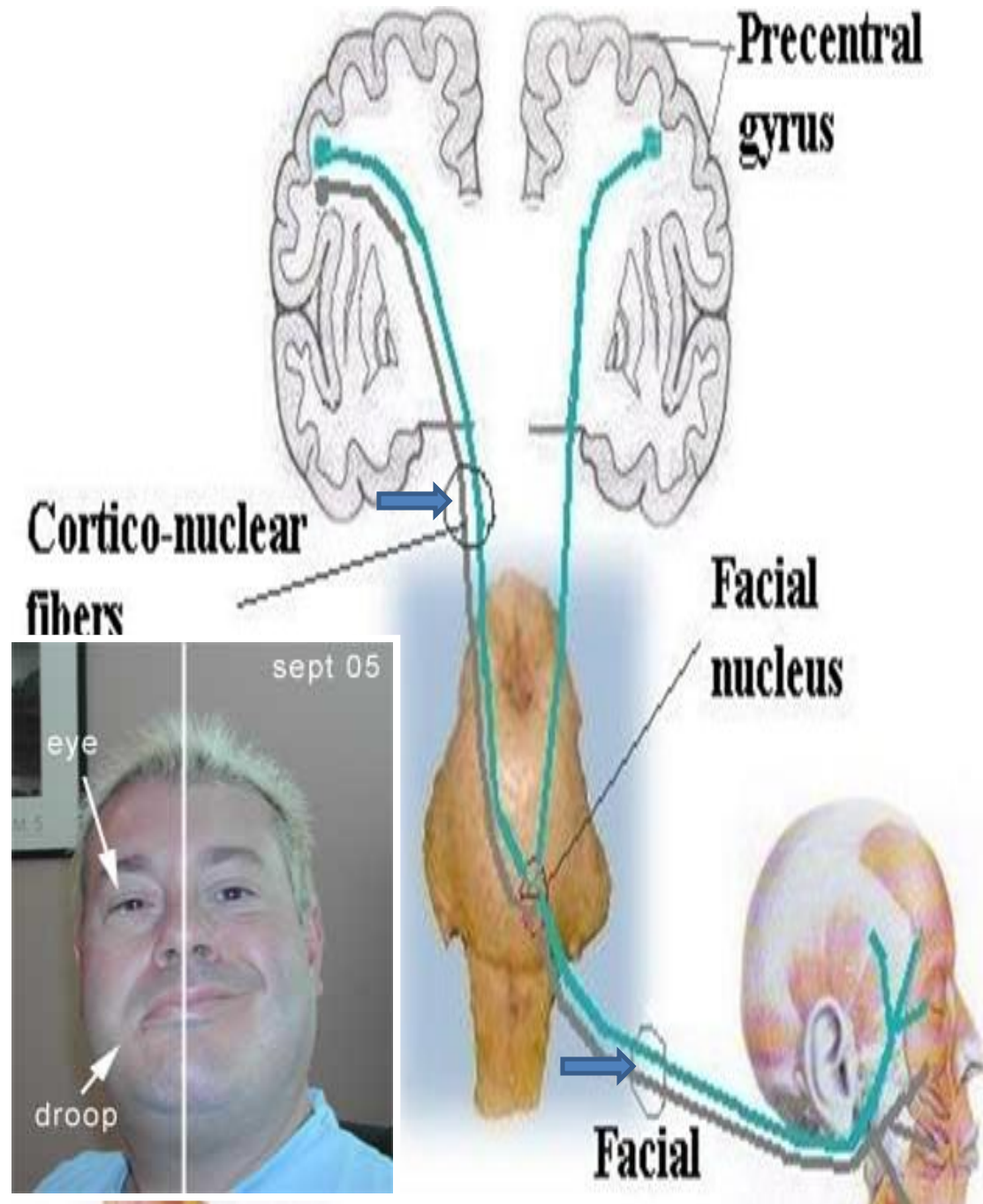
➤ **Inside parotid gland: it** gives 5 terminal motor branches:

- Temporal,
- Zygomatic,
- Buccal,
- Mandibular &
- Cervical....
To the muscles of the face.



Bell's Palsy

- **Damage of the facial nerve results in paralysis of muscles of facial expressions: Facial (Bell's) palsy; lower motor neuron lesion (*whole face affected*)**
- **NB. In upper motor neuron lesion (upper face is intact).**
- **The face is distorted:**
 - Drooping of lower eyelid,
 - Sagging of mouth angle,
 - Dribbling of saliva,
 - Loss of facial expressions,
 - Loss of chewing, !!!!!
 - Loss of blowing,
 - Loss of suckling,
 - Unable to show teeth or close the eye **on that side.**
 - Hyperacusis.



THANK YOU & BEST LUCK

SUMMARY

- Both trigeminal & facial nerves are **mixed**.
- Nuclei of trigeminal nerve are found in **midbrain, pons & medulla**. They are of the general somatic **afferent** & special visceral **efferent** types.
- The trigeminal nerve emerges from the **pons** and **divides into: ophthalmic, maxillary & mandibular divisions** that **receive sensory supply from the face** (with an exception of a small area over ramus of mandible by great auricular nerve C2,3).
- **All motor fibers** are only included in the **mandibular division of the trigeminal nerve** supply muscles of the 1st pharyngeal arch.

SUMMARY

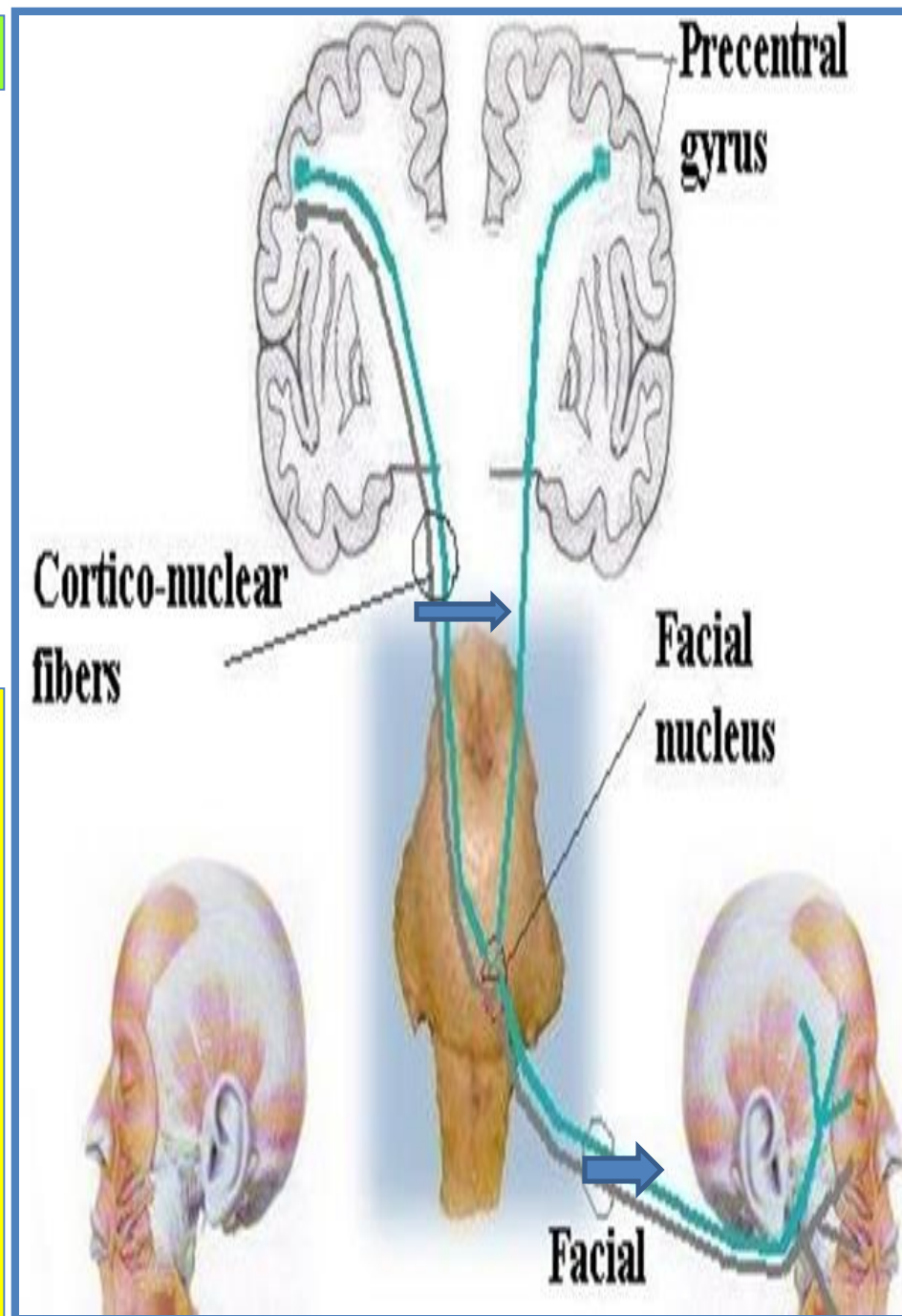
- Nuclei of facial nerve are found in **pons**. They are of the special visceral **afferent** & **efferent** types, as well as general visceral **efferent** type.
- The facial nerve emerges from the **cerebellopontine angle**, gives **motor fibers** to **muscles of 2nd pharyngeal arch**, and **secretory fibers** to submandibular, sublingual, lacrimal, nasal & palatine glands & receives **taste fibers** from anterior 2/3 of tongue.

Lower Motor Neuron Lesion

- **Results from** injury of the **facial nerve fibers**:
 - In Internal acoustic meatus;
 - In the middle ear;
 - In the facial canal or
 - In parotid gland.
- Manifested by **complete paralysis of facial muscles** on the same side of lesion, (Whole face affection).

Upper Motor Neuron Lesion

- This occurs after **injury to the pyramidal tract (corticospinal) above facial nucleus**.
- Leads to **paralysis of facial muscles of the lower ½ of face** in the opposite side but the upper ½ of the face intact **because**:
 - **Ms. of lower ½ of face** receive pyramidal fibers from opposite cerebral cortex only,
 - **While Ms. of upper ½ of face** receive pyramidal fibers from both cerebral hemispheres (Bilateral representation).



TEST YOUR SELF !

➤ **Stimulation of which of the following nerves could lead to salivation and lacrimation?**

- a) Glossopharyngeal.
- b) Trigeminal.
- c) Facial.
- d) Vagus.

➤ **Lesion of the mandibular nerve may result in:**

- a) Loss of sensation of skin over the nose.
- b) Loss of lacrimation.
- c) Loss of sensory supply of upper teeth.
- d) Loss of general sensations of anterior 2/3 of tongue.

TEST YOUR SELF !

- In bell palsy Hyperacusis is due to paralysis of which one of the following muscles?
- Tensor tympani.
- Tensor palati
- Stapedius.
- Auricularis superior.

THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK