

## KNEE JOINT- TYPE & BONES, CAPSULE & LIGAMENTS, INTRAARTICULAR STRUCTURES( MENISCUS & CRUCIATE LIG), BLOOD & NERVE SUPPLY, MOVEMENTS AND MUSCLE PRODUCING MOVEMENTS, BURSAE AROUND THE KNEE AND APPLIED ANATOMY.(LE)

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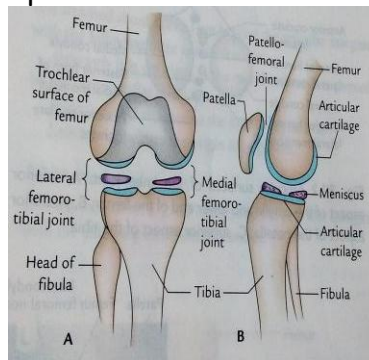
Knee joint is a synovial joint of modified hinge variety.

### Articular surfaces-

It is a compound joint -

Right and left condylar joints between condyles of femur and tibia.

One saddle joint between femur and patella



### Bones articulating in knee joint:

Articular surfaces of medial and lateral condyles of femur

Trochlear surface of femur

Articular surface of patella

Articular surfaces of medial and lateral condyles of tibia.

### Ligaments of knee joint:

Capsular ligament

Ligamentum patellae

Tibial collateral ligament

Fibular collateral ligament

Anterior and posterior cruciate ligaments

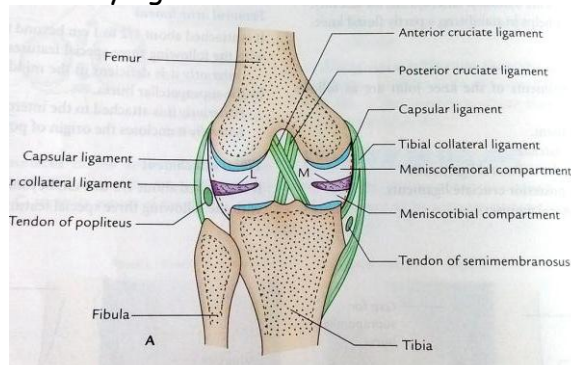
Medial and lateral menisci

Oblique popliteal ligament

Arcuate popliteal ligament

Transverse ligament

Coronary ligaments



Intraarticular structures of knee joint( Menisci and cruciate ligaments)

### **Menisci of knee joint**

These are two crescent shaped fibrocartilaginous discs. They deepen the articular surfaces of the condyles of tibia.

Partly divide the joint cavity into upper and lower compartments.

Each meniscus has

- Two ends- anterior and posterior

- Two borders- thick outer border and thin inner border

- Two surfaces- upper surface and lower surface.

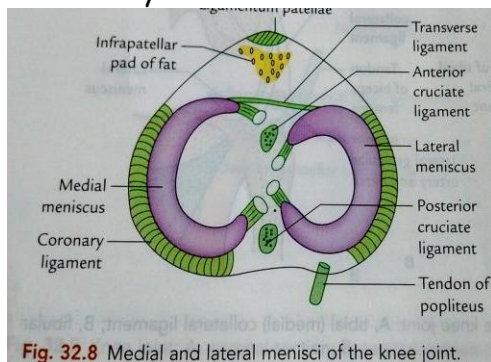
### **Functions of Menisci-**

- Menisci increase the concavity of tibial condyles

- They acts as shock absorbers

- They partly divide the joint cavity.

- They act as swabs to lubricate the joint cavity.



### **Medial meniscus**

- Semilunar in shape.

- It is adherent to deep part of tibial collateral ligament.

### **Lateral meniscus**

- Nearly circular in shape.

- Lateral meniscus is attached to tendon of popliteus, hence less prone to injury

## Cruciate ligaments of knee joint

There are two cruciate ligaments inside the knee joint.

Anterior cruciate ligament

Posterior cruciate ligament

These two ligaments cross each other like the letter 'X'.

### Function

They form direct bond between tibia and femur.

Help in maintaining antero-posterior stability of knee joint.

### Anterior cruciate ligament:

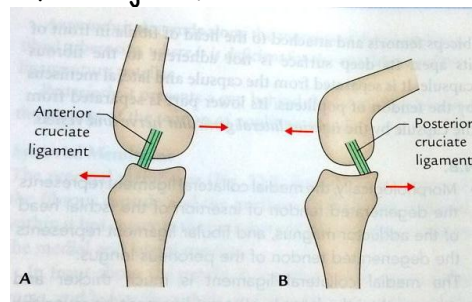
#### Attachment:

Below- Anterior part of inter condylar area  
of tibia

Above- medial surface of lateral condyle of femur.

It prevents posterior dislocation of femur on tibia.

It is the key stabilizer of knee joint.



### Posterior cruciate ligament:

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Cruciate ligaments are supplied by middle genicular arteries.

### Blood supply of knee joint

Five genicular branches of popliteal artery

Descending genicular artery, branch of femoral artery

Descending branch of lateral circumflex femoral artery

Two recurrent branches of anterior tibial artery

Circumflex fibular branch of posterior tibial artery.

### Nerve supply

Femoral nerve, through its branches to vasti

Tibial and common peroneal nerves through their genicular branches.

Obturator nerve.

### Movements and muscles producing movements

#### Flexion- Hamstring muscles

Assisted by popliteus, sartorius, gracilis, gastrocnemius and plantaris.

#### Extension- Quadriceps femoris

Assisted by tensor fasciae lata

**Medial Rotation-** semitendinosus, semimembranosus, popliteus

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**Bursae around the knee -**

Divided into three groups, according to their location.

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Bursa between semimembranous and joint capsule.

**Applied anatomy-**

**Osteoarthritis of knee joint**

a common condition in elderly.

**Injuries to cruciate ligaments**

Leads to anteroposterior instability of knee joint.

Anterior cruciate ligament is more commonly injured than the posterior one. Integrity of cruciate ligaments can be tested by Anterior and posterior Drawers tests.

**Meniscal tears**

Twisting strains in slightly flexed knee can injure Menisci (football play)

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**Unhappy triad of knee joint-**

Injury to tibial collateral ligament, medial meniscus and anterior cruciate ligament

**DESCRIBE INTRAARTICULAR STRUCTURES OF KNEE JOINTADD A NOTE ON LOCKING AND UNLOCKING(LE)**

The following are the intraarticular structures of knee joint.

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Synovial membrane

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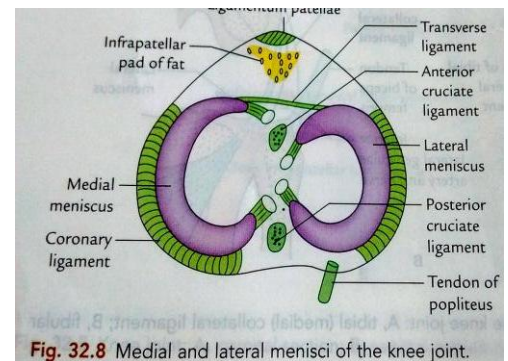
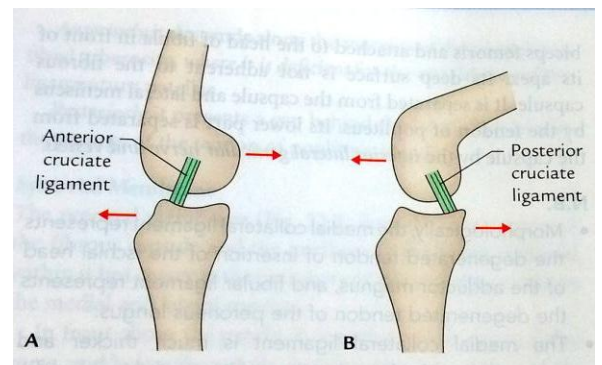


Fig. 32.8 Medial and lateral menisci of the knee joint.



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Meniscomfemoral ligaments:

Posterior horn of lateral meniscus is attached to medial condyles of femur by anterior and posterior meniscomfemoral ligaments.

Anterior meniscomfemoral ligament is known as ligament of Humphrey. Posterior meniscomfemoral ligament is known as ligament of Wrisberg.

Applied anatomy-

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### Unlocking-

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### (Short Essay) Medial ligament of knee

It is also known as Tibial collateral ligament

It is a strong, thick band of fibrous tissue. It is about 10cm in length

Parts-

2 parts:

Superficial and deep part.

Superficial

part-

Attachments:

Above- medial epicondyle of femur just below adductor tubercle

Below- upper part of medial border and adjoining posterior part of medial surface of tibia.

Superficial part covers inferior medial genicular vessels and tendon of semimembranosus

It is crossed by tendons of sartorius, gracilis and semitendinosus.

Deep part-

Attachment

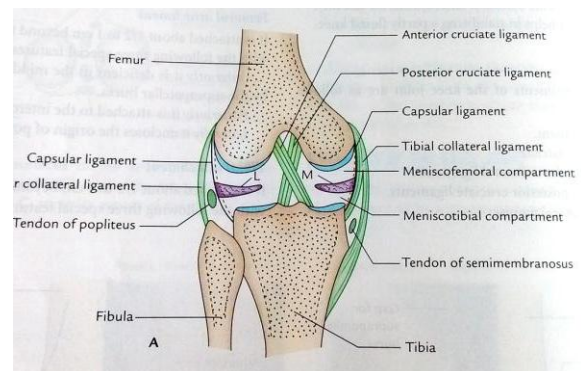
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Below- medial condyle of tibia above the groove for semimembranosus. Deep part is short and blends with capsule of knee joint

Peripheral part of medial meniscus is attached to it. Morphology of tibial collateral ligament-

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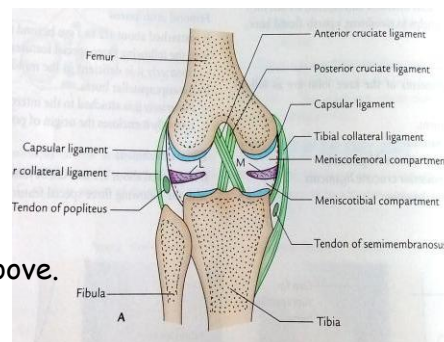
Above- lateral epicondyle of femur just above popliteal groove.

Below- head of fibula in front of its apex. It is free from the fibrous capsule.

It is separated from the capsule and lateral meniscus by tendon of popliteus.

Morphology of fibular collateral ligament-

Represents the degenerated tendon of peroneus longus.



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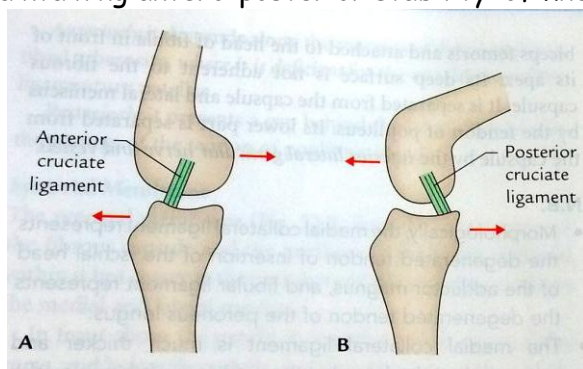
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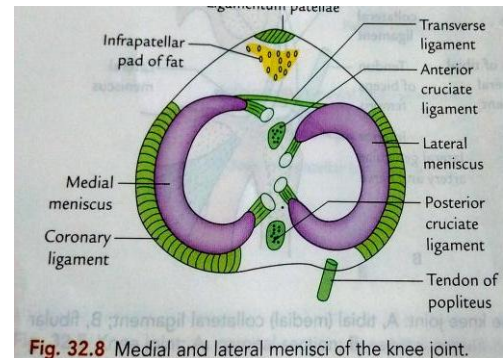


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Help in evenly spreading synovial fluid.

Divide the joint cavity into two chambers for independent movements; Upper - flexion and extension

Lower- rotation

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## HIP JOINT ANKLE JOINT AND SUBTALAR JOINT

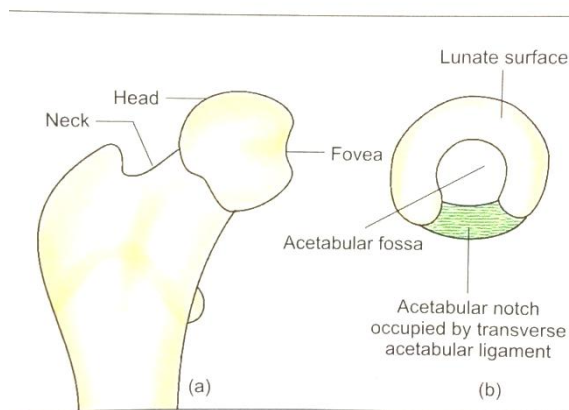
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**a) Type -**

Ball and socket variety of synovial joint

**b) Articular surfaces-**



**Fig. 12.1:** Articular surfaces of the hip joint.

Head of the femur articulates with the acetabulum of hip bone to form the hip joint.

The articular surfaces of the head of femur and on acetabulum are reciprocally curved, but are not co-extensive.

The hip joint is unique in having a high degree of stability as well as mobility.

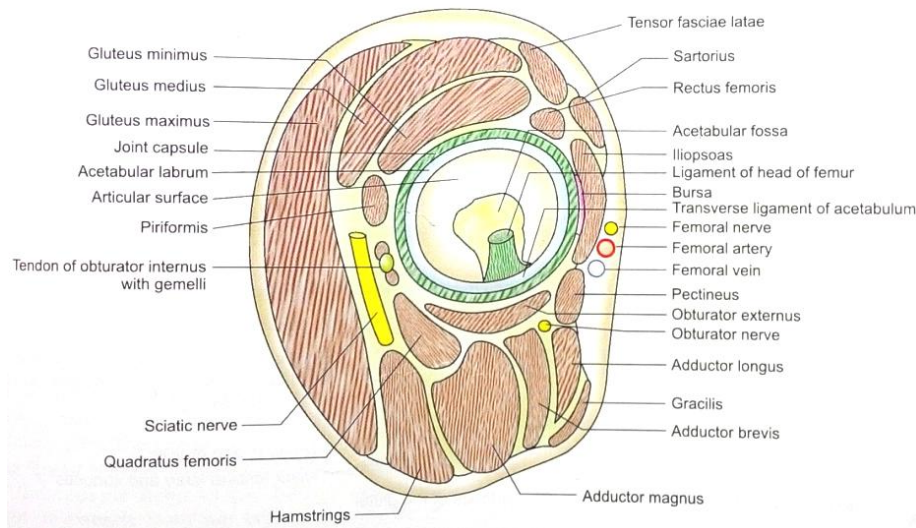
**c) Ligaments -**

Fibrous capsule  
 Iliofemoral ligament  
 pubofemoral ligament  
 ischiofemoral ligament  
 ligament of the head of femur  
 acetabular labrum  
 transverse acetabular ligament.

Iliofemoral ligament is inverted Y shaped triangular ligament.

This ligament lies anterior to the hip joint.

#### d) Relations-



#### 1) Anterior

Tendon of iliopsoas separated by a bursa and femoral vein  
Femoral artery  
Femoral nerve

#### 2) Posterior

Tendon of obturator externus covered by quadratus femoris, obturator internus and gemelli, piriformis, sciatic nerve and gluteus maximus muscle.

#### 3) Superior

Reflected head of rectus femoris covered by gluteus minimus, gluteus medius and partly by gluteus maximus.

#### 4) Inferior

Pectineus, obturator externus, gracilis, adductor longus, brevis, magnus and hamstring muscles.

#### e) Movements and muscles producing them-

- 1) Flexion and extension
- 2) Adduction and abduction
- 3) Medial and lateral rotation
- 4) Circumduction

#### Muscles producing movements at the hip joint

MOVEMENT	CHIEF MUSCLES	ACCESSORY MUSCLES
Flexion	Psoas major Iliacus	Pectineus Rectus femoris

		Sartorius Adductor longus
Extension	Gluteus maximus Hamstrings	-
Abduction	Gluteus medius and minimus	Tensor fasciae latae sartorius
Medial rotation	Tensor fasciae latae Gluteus medius and minimus( anterior fibres)	-
Lateral rotation	Obturator externus and internus Superior and inferior gemelli Quadrates femoris	Piriformis Gluteus maximus Sartorius

#### f) Blood supply

Arterial supply - is by the following arteries

- obturator artery
- medial circumflex femoral artery
- lateral circumflex femoral artery
- superior gluteal artery
- inferior gluteal artery.

#### g) Applied anatomy

- **Congenital dislocation**  
Is more common in the hip than any other part of the body.  
This causes a lurching gait.
- **Acquired dislocation**  
Uncommon because the joint is stable.  
Dislocation is posterior , with injury to the sciatic nerve.  
Affected limb is shortened and medially rotated
- **Fractures of neck of femur**  
Common in individuals of more than 60 years of age.  
Caused by indirect violence of trivial nature.  
Affected limb is shortened and laterally rotated

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#### a) Type

Ankle joint is a Synovial joint of hinge variety

**b) capsule and ligaments**

The joint is supported by:

- fibrous capsule
- deltoid / medial ligament
- lateral ligament

fibrous capsule-

It surrounds the joint and is attached all around the articular margins with 2 exceptions,

- posterosuperiorly, it is attached to transverse tibiofibular ligament
- anteroinferiorly, it is attached to dorsum of neck of talus at some distance from the trochlear surface.

The anterior and posterior parts of the capsule are loose and thin to allow hinge movements.

On each side it is supported by strong collateral ligaments.

The synovial membrane lines the capsule.

**Deltoid /medial ligament-**

It is a very strong triangular ligament present on medial side of ankle.

The ligament is divided into superficial and deep parts.

Both parts have a common attachment above to the apex and margins of medial malleolus.

The lower attachment is indicated by the name of the tarsal bone to which they are attached.

**Superficial part -**

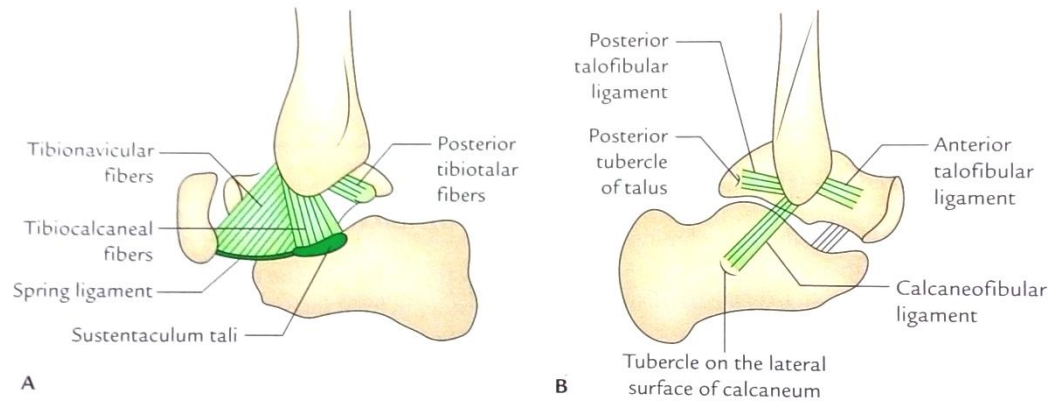
Anterior or tibionavicular fibres are attached to the tuberosity of navicular bone and medial margin of spring ligament.

Middle or tibiocalcaneal fibres are attached to the whole length of sustentaculum tali

Posterior /tibiotalar fibre are attached to the medial tubercle and medial surface of talus

**Deep part/** anterior tibiotalar is attached to anterior part of medial surface of talus.

The deltoid ligament is crossed by the tendons of tibialis posterior and flexor digitorum longus.



**Fig. 32.14** Collateral ligaments of the ankle joint: **A**, deltoid ligament; **B**, lateral ligament.

### 1) Lateral ligament

It consists of 3 bands:

#### 1. Anterior talofibular ligament

It passes from the lateral malleolus to the neck of talus

#### 2. Posterior talofibular ligament

It passes from the malleolar fossa of fibula to the lateral tubercle of talus.

#### 3. Calcaneofibular ligament

It passes from the notch on the lower border of lateral malleolus to the tubercle on the lateral surface of calcaneum.

It is crossed by the tendons of peroneus longus and peroneus brevis.

### a) Relations

Anterior relations from medial to lateral side

Tibialis anterior

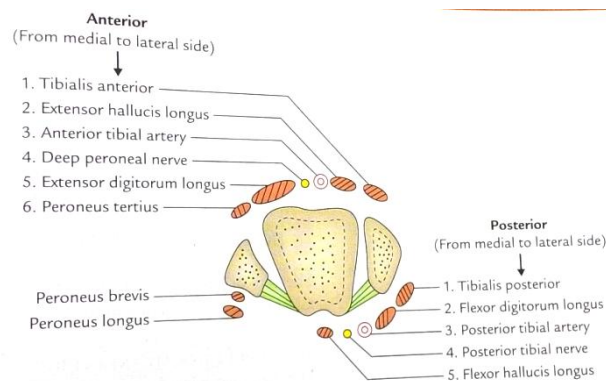
Extensor hallucis longus

Anterior tibial vessels

Deep peroneal nerve

Extensor digitorum longus

Peroneus tertius



Relations of the ankle joint (transverse section of the ankle joint).

Posterior relations - from medial to lateral side-

Tibialis posterior  
 Flexor digitorum longus  
 Posterior tibial vessels  
 Tibial nerve  
 Flexor hallucis longus  
 Peroneus brevis  
 Peroneus longus

### **Movements**

- 1) Dorsiflexion
- 2) Plantarflexion

In dorsiflexion the forefoot is raised and the angle between the front of the leg and dorsum of foot is diminished. It is a close packed position with maximum congruence of the joint surface. There are no chances of dislocation in dorsiflexion as the ankle joint is more stable.

In plantarflexion the forefoot is depressed and the angle between the front of the leg and dorsum of foot is increased. It is loose packed position of ankle joint . There are more chances of dislocation in plantarflexion as the ankle joint is more unstable.

### **Muscles producing the movements**

<b>MOVEMENT</b>	<b>PRINCIPAL MUSCLES</b>	<b>ACCESSORY MUSCLES</b>
Dorsiflexion	Tibialis anterior	Extensor digitorum longus Extensor hallucis longus Peroneus tertius
Plantarflexion	Gastrocnemius Soleus	Plantaris Tibialis posterior Flexor hallucis longus Flexor digitorum longus

### **Arterial supply**

- 1) Anterior tibial artery
- 2) Posterior tibial artery
- 3) Peroneal artery

### **Applied anatomy**

- 1) Ankle sprains-

Excessive stretching or tearing of ligaments of ankle joint is called ankle sprain. Ankle sprains are usually caused by falls or twists.

## 2) Dislocation of ankle-

Dislocations of ankle joint are rare because it is a very stable joint.

Dislocations are always accompanied by fracture of one of the malleoli.

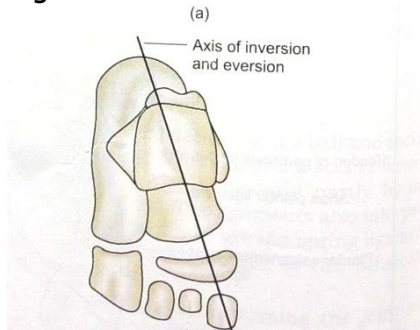
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Inversion and eversion are rotational movements of the foot on the talus.

Inversion is a movement in which medial border of the foot is elevated so that the sole faces medially.

Eversion is a movement in which lateral border of the foot is elevated so that the sole faces laterally.

Fig : Axis of movement of inversion and eversion



The joints in which these movements occur are-

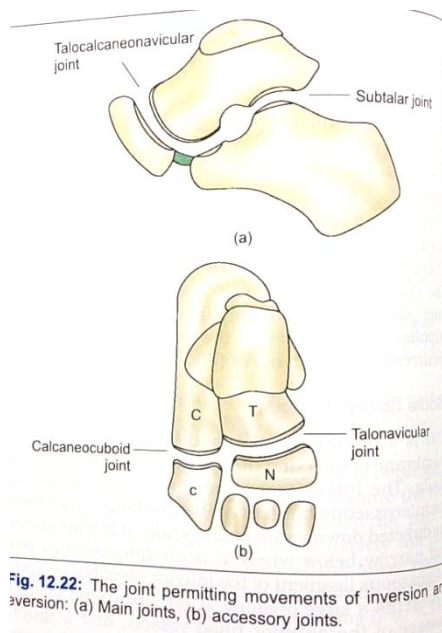
### **Main joints -**

subtalar ( talocalcaneal)

Talocalcaneonavicular

### **Accessory joints -**

Transverse tarsal joints.



**Fig. 12.22:** The joint permitting movements of inversion and eversion: (a) Main joints, (b) accessory joints.

### Muscles producing movements of inversion and eversion

MOVEMENT	PRINCIPAL MUSCLES	ORIGIN	INSERTION	NERVE SUPPLY
Inversion	Tibialis anterior	1.lateral condyle of tibia 2. upper 2/3 <sup>rd</sup> of shaft of tibia. 3.interosseous membrane	Inferomedial surface of medial cuneiform and the base of 1 <sup>st</sup> metatarsal bone	Deep peroneal nerve
	Tibialis posterior	upper 2/3 <sup>rd</sup> of lateral part of posterior surface of tibia below the soleal line	Tuberosity of navicular bone and other tarsal bones except talus	Tibial nerve
	<b>ACCESSORY MUSCLES</b>			
	Flexor hallucis longus	Lower 3/4ths of posterior surface of fibula.	Plantar surface of base of distal phalanx of big toe	Tibial nerve
	Flexor digitorum longus	upper 2/3 <sup>rd</sup> of medial part of posterior surface	Bases of distal phalanges of shaft of	Tibial nerve



		of tibia below the soleal line	lateral 4 toes	
Eversion	PRINCIPAL MUSCLES			
	Peroneus longus	1.head of fibula 2.upper 2/3rds of lateral surface of fibula	1.lateral side of base of 1 <sup>st</sup> metatarsal bone 2.medial cuneiform bone	Superficial peroneal nerve
	Peroneus brevis	1.lower 2/3rds of the lateral surface of shaft of fibula 2.anterior and posterior intermuscular septa of leg	Lateral side of base of 5 <sup>th</sup> metatarsal bone	Superficial peroneal nerve
	ACCESSORY MUSCLES			
	Peroneus tertius	1.lower 1/4 <sup>th</sup> of medial surface of shaft of fibula 2.interosseous membrane	Dorsal surface of base of 5 <sup>th</sup> metatarsal bone	Deep peroneal nerve

### Iliofemoral ligament attachments and applied anatomy? (SE)

Iliofemoral ligament/ inverted Y shaped ligament of Bigelow.

This ligament lies anterior to the hip joint. It is triangular in shape.

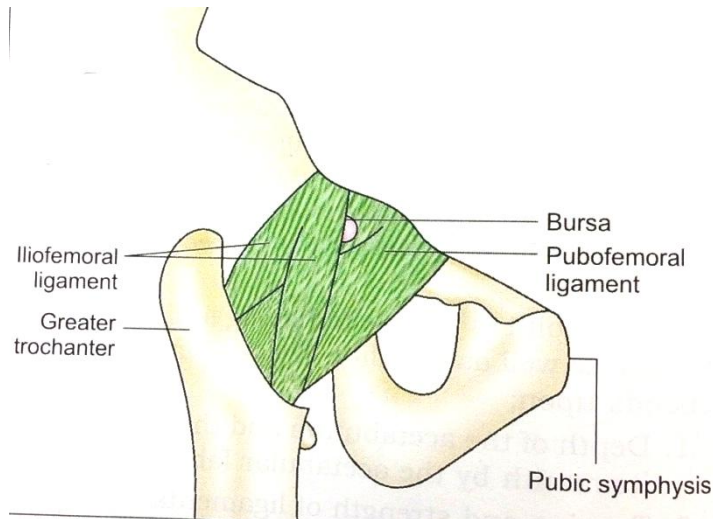
Apex - lower half of anterior inferior iliac spine

Base -inter trochanteric line.

The upper oblique and lower vertical fibres form thick and strong bands, while the middle fibres are thin and weak

It is one of the strongest ligaments of the body.

It prevents the trunk from falling backwards in standing posture

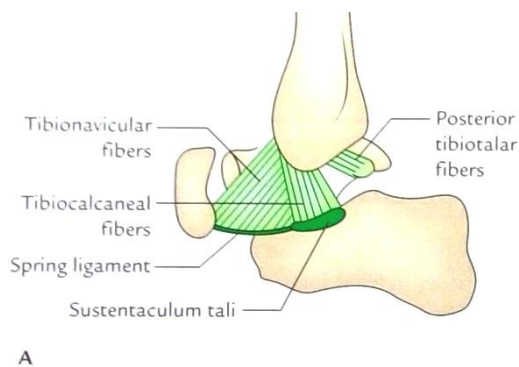


### Deltoid ligament of ankle joint (SE)

Deltoid /medial ligament-

It is a very strong triangular ligament present on medial side of ankle.

The ligament is divided into superficial and deep parts.



Collateral ligaments of the ankle joint: **A**, deltoid ligament

Both parts have a common attachment above to the apex and margins of medial malleolus.

The lower attachment is indicated by the name of the fibres.

#### Superficial part -

- Anterior or tibionavicular fibres are attached the tuberosity of navicular bone and medial margin of spring ligament.
- Middle or tibiocalcaneal fibres are attached to the whole length of sustentaculum tali .
- Posterior /tibiotalar fibres are attached to the medial tubercle and medial surface of talus

**Deep part/** anterior tibiotalar is attached to anterior part of medial surface of talus.

The deltoid ligament is crossed by the tendons of tibialis posterior and flexor digitorum longus.

### 1) Movements and applied anatomy of ankle joint?(SE)

ans:-

**Movements of ankle joint are-**

- 1) Dorsiflexion
- 2) Plantarflexion

In dorsiflexion the forefoot is raised and the angle between the front of the leg and dorsum of foot is diminished. It is a close packed position with maximum congruence of the joint surface. There are no chances of dislocation in dorsiflexion as the ankle joint is more stable.

In plantarflexion the forefoot is depressed and the angle between the front of the leg and dorsum of foot is increased. It is loose packed position of ankle joint . There are more chances of dislocation in plantarflexion as the ankle joint is more unstable.

### Muscles producing the movements

MOVEMENT	PRINCIPAL MUSCLES	ACCESSORY MUSCLES
Dorsiflexion	Tibialis anterior	Extensor digitorum longus Extensor hallucis longus Peroneus tertius
Plantarflexion	Gastrocnemius soleus	Plantaris Tibialis posterior Flexor hallucis longus Flexor digitorum longus

### Applied anatomy

#### 1) Ankle sprains-

Excessive stretching or tearing of ligaments of ankle joint is called ankle sprain. Ankle sprains are usually caused by falls or twists.

#### 2) Dislocation of ankle-

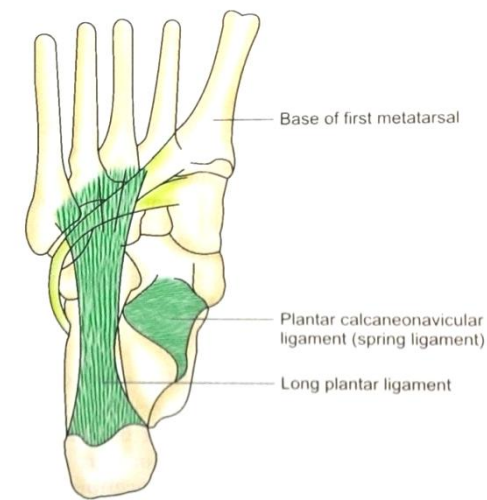
Dislocations of ankle joint are rare because it is a very stable joint. Dislocations are always accompanied by fracture of one of the malleoli.

## 2) Spring ligament (SE)

**Ans: -**

Spring ligament or plantar calcaneonavicular ligament .

It is the most important ligament for maintaining the medial longitudinal arch of the foot.



### Attachment -

Anteriorly to the plantar surface of navicular bone

Posteriorly to the anterior margin of sustentaculum tali.

The head of talus rests directly on the upper surface of the ligament, which is covered by fibrocartilage.

The plantar surface of the ligament is supported by tendons of tibialis posterior medially and tendons of flexor hallucis longus and flexor digitorum longus laterally.

## 3) Inversion and eversion of foot (SE)

Inversion and eversion are rotational movements of the foot on the talus

Inversion is a movement in which medial border of the foot is elevated so that the sole faces medially.

Eversion is a movement in which lateral border of the foot is elevated so that the sole faces laterally.

The joints in which these movements occur are-

### Main joints -

subtalar ( talocalcanean)

Talocalcaneonavicular

### Accessory joints -

Transverse tarsal joints.

### Muscles producing movements of inversion and eversion

MOVEMENT	PRINCIPAL MUSCLES	ACCESSORY MUSCLES
INVERSION	Tibialis anterior	Flexor hallucis longus

	Tibialis posterior	Flexor digitorum longus
EVERSION	Peroneus longus	Peroneus tertius
	Peroneus brevis	

### **Iliofemoral ligament (SA)**

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### **Muscles performing lateral rotation of thigh (SA)**

Obturator internus and externus

Superior and inferior gemilli

Quadrates femoris

Piriformis

Gluteus maximus

Sartorius

### **Adductors of hip joint (SA)**

Adductor longus

Adductor brevis

Adductor magnus

Pectineus

Gracilis

### **Abductors of hip joint (SA)**

Gluteus medius

Gluteus minimus

Tensor fasciae latae

Sartorius

### **Deltoid ligament attachment (SA)**

Deltoid /medial ligament-

The ligament is divided into superficial and deep parts.

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- **Superficial part** -
  - a) Anterior or tibionavicular fibres are attached the tuberosity of navicular bone and medial margin of spring ligament.
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  - c) Posterior /tibiotalar fibres are attached to the medial tubercle and medial surface of talus
- **Deep part**/ anterior tibiotalar is attached to anterior part of medial surface of talus.

### **Movements taking place at ankle joint? (SA)**

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### **Muscles producing plantar flexion(SA)**

**Ans:**

Gastrocnemius  
Soleus  
Plantaris  
Tibialis posterior  
Flexor hallucis longus  
Flexor digitorum longus

### **Name subtaloid joint and mention movements possible in it (SA)**

**Ans:**

Subtaloid joint - talocalcaneal joint  
Movements occurring in this joint are-  
Inversion and eversion of foot.

### **Spring ligament attachments (SA)**

**Ans:**

Attachment -

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**Muscles responsible for eversion of foot (SA)**

**Ans:**

Peroneus longus

Peroneus brevis

Peroneus tertius.