

# Musculoskeletal Assessment

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### Overview

- Anatomy review
- Joints and Movement
- Assessment
  - Inspection
  - Palpation
  - Percussion
  - Joint ROM
  - Strength Testing

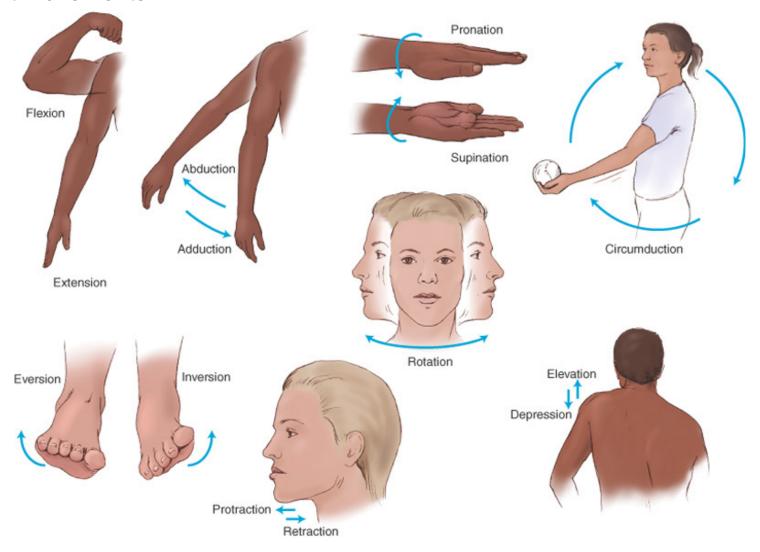
### Musculoskeletal Assessment

- Musculoskeletal system
  - Contains-
- Functions?

**Anatomy Review** Skull # bones in skeleton? Define: Vertebra Cartilage Clavicle Ligament Sternum Scapula Bursa Humerus. Ribs Pelvis Sacrum Ulna Radius Carpals Metacarpals Phalanges Femur-Patella -Tibia Fibula Name the types of joints in the body-Movement of those joints? Tarsals Metatarsals.

Phalanges

#### Joint movements

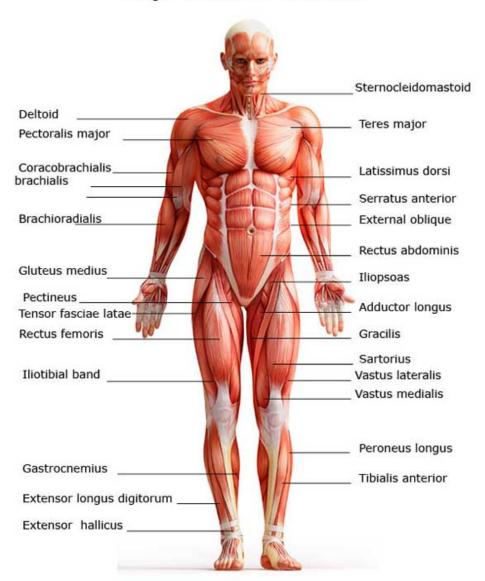


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http://www.med.umich.edu/lrc/Hypermuscle/Hyper.html#flex

### Muscles

#### Major Anterior Muscles



## Musculoskeletal System

### History:

- Joint pain, stiffness, swelling, movement limitation
- Muscle pain, weakness
- History of trauma/fractures, deformity
- Exercise pattern
- Elderly– functionality ability to do ADL's

# Assessment of Musculoskeletal System

- Inspection
- Palpation
- Percussion usually only of vertebrate to illicit tenderness
- Range of Motion
- Strength testing
- Move systematically from head to feet, medial to lateral

# Musculoskeletal System

- Assessment:
  - Inspection (joint symmetry/deformity, size, contour)
  - Palpation
    - Free movement
    - Crepitus, heat, tenderness, swelling, masses, "bogginess")



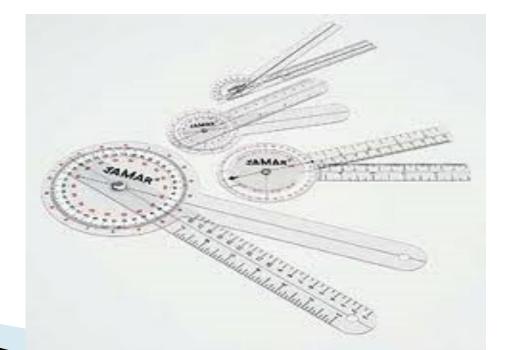
# Musculoskeletal System

- Range of Motion (ROM)
  - Different joints will have different ranges of motion.
  - Can measure it using a goniometer
  - Measured as the number of degrees of an angle

For screening: usually note full ROM or limited and

describe.





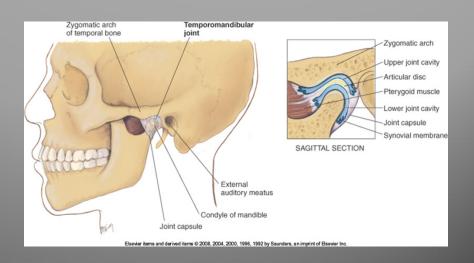
# Strength Testing

- ▶ Strength 0-5 scale
- 5+=Full ROM against gravity and full resistance
- 4+= Full ROM against gravity and some resistance
- ▶ 3+=Full ROM with gravity
- ▶ 2+= Full ROM without gravity (passive ROM)
- ▶ 1+=Slight contraction of muscle
- ▶ 0=No contraction of muscle

# Specific Joint Assessment

# Temporal-mandibular Joint

Temporal-mandibular Joint: (TMJ): articulation of mandible and temporal bone 3 types of movement: Hinge action: open/close mouth Gliding action: protrusion and retraction Gliding action: side to side movement of jaw



# Cervical Spine

- 7 Cervical vertebrate
  - Atlas/axis joint C1 & C2most moveable
- Major Muscles
  - Trapezius
  - Sternocleidomastoid
- Inspect Symmetry, muscles
- Palpate muscles, vertebrate
- ▶ ROM -
  - Flexion 45°, extension 55°, lateral bending 40°, rotation 70°

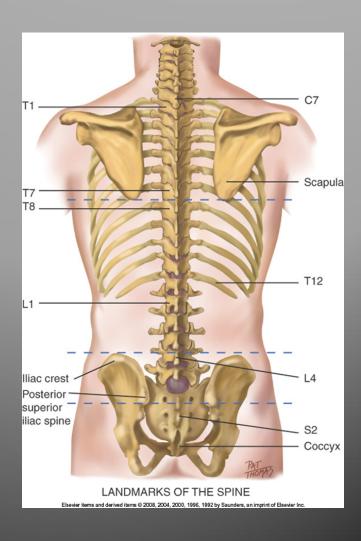
Strength - Trapezius, sternocleidomastoid



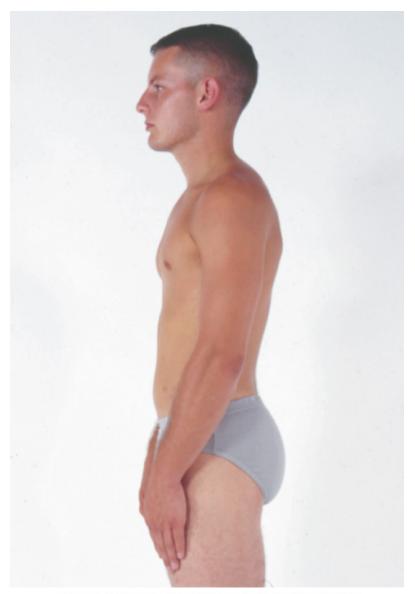
## Spine

- Inspect curvature, landmarks
- Palpate: Spinous processes can be felt in furrow down back
- Furrow also has paraspinal vertebral muscles on either side of the vertebral processes

### Note landmarks – orientation for documentation of findings



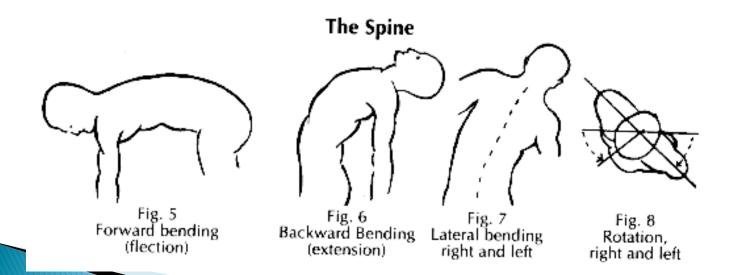
#### Normal S curve



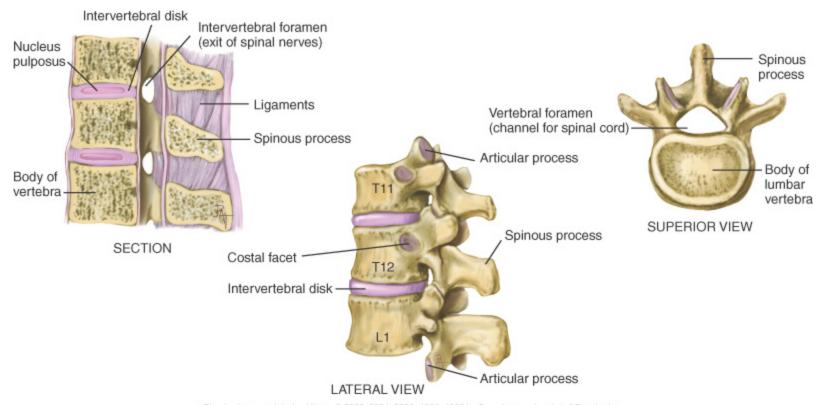
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# Spine Movement

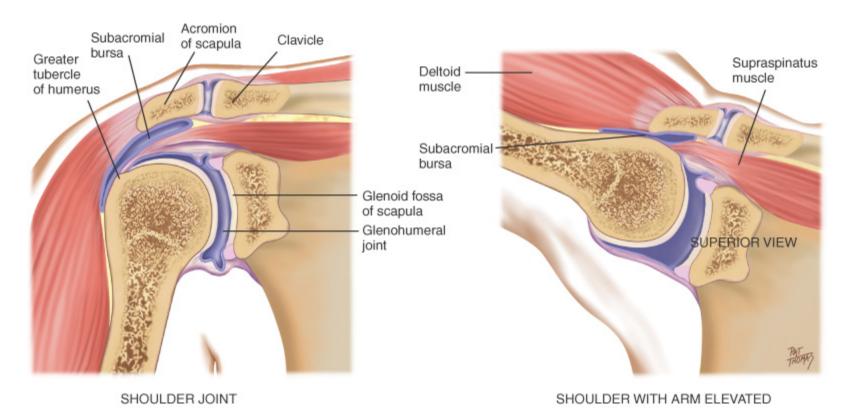
- Flexion forward bending 90°
- Extension bending backward 30°
- Lateral bending bending either side 35°
- Rotation-at waist line most prominent 30°



#### Intervertebral discs are shock absorbers for compression

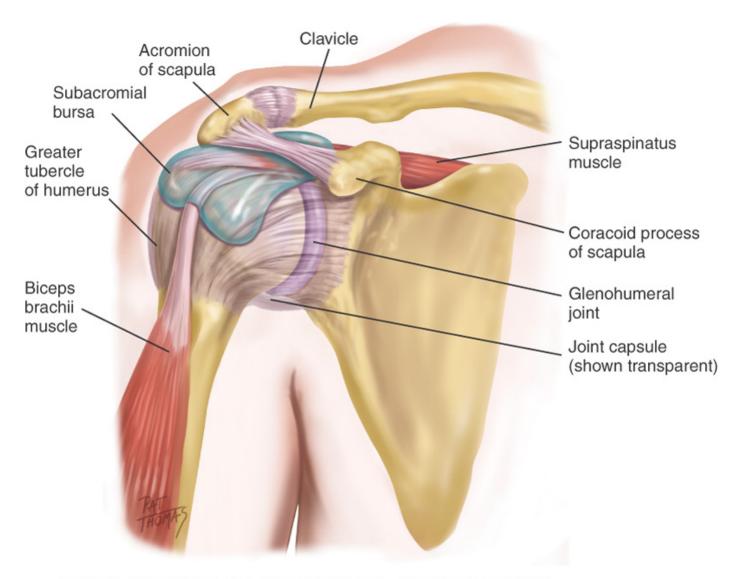


### Shoulder



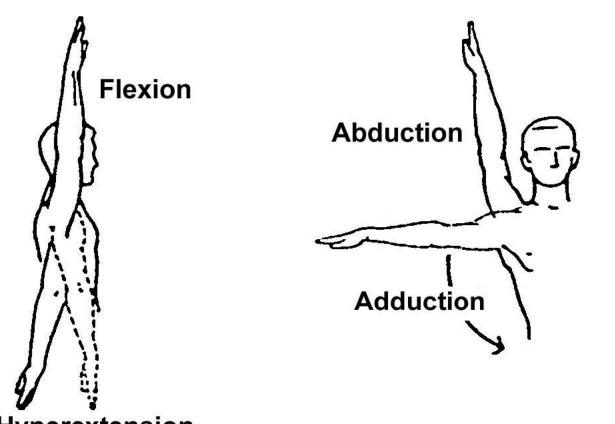
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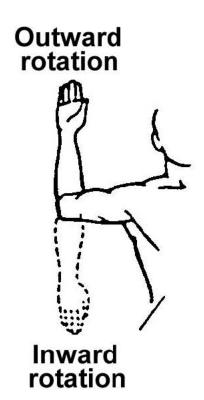
Anterior view



BONY LANDMARKS OF THE SHOULDER - POSTERIOR VIEW

### **Shoulder ROM**





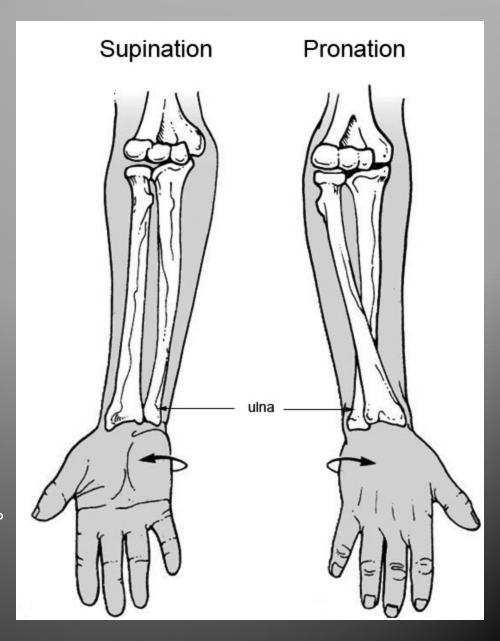
Hyperextension Extension

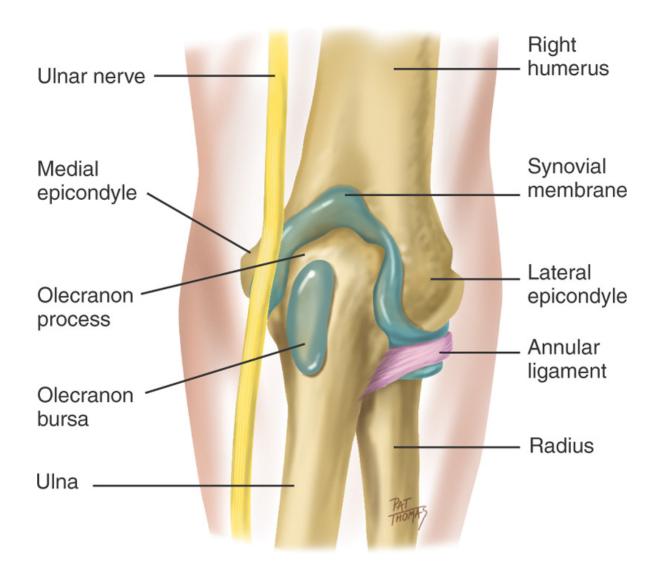
Strength: Deltoid (pectoralis, scapular muscles)

### Elbow

- Articulations of humerus, radius, and ulna of forearm
- ROM: Flexion (160°) and extension (0°) through hinge action
- Landmarks (Inspect/palpate):
- medial and lateral epicondyles of humerus
- 90° and pronation 90° of the forearm

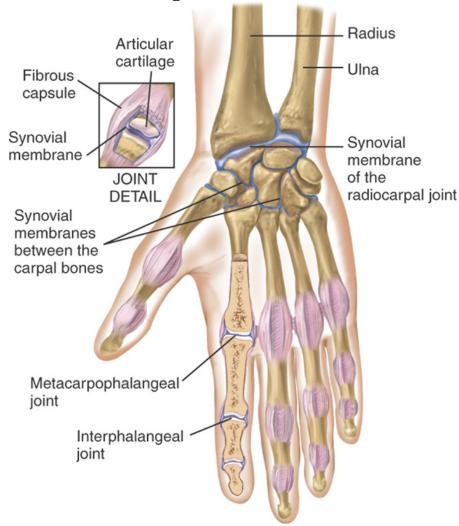
Strength: biceps/triceps





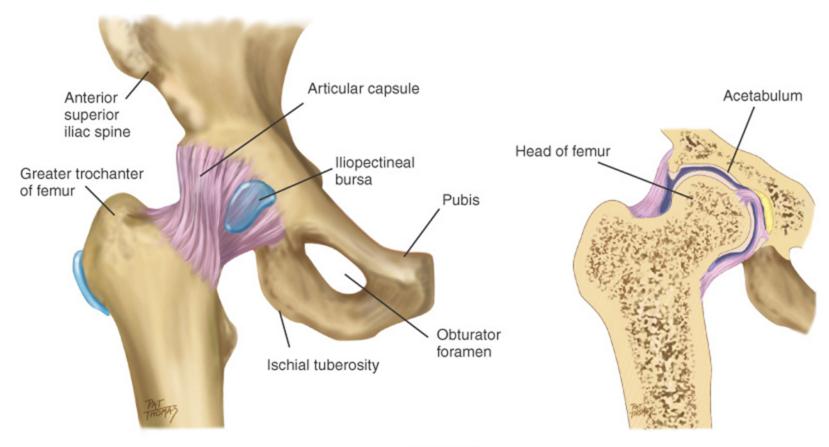
#### RIGHT ELBOW - POSTERIOR VIEW

### Wrist and Carpals



BONES OF THE HAND - PALMAR VIEW

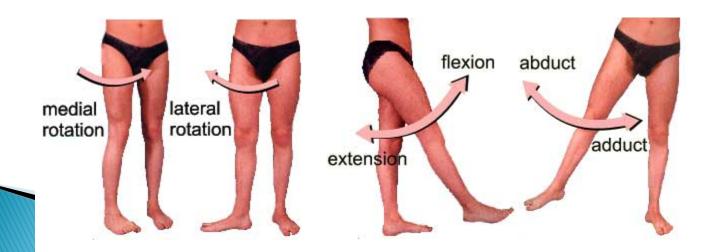
# Hip



**HIP JOINT** 

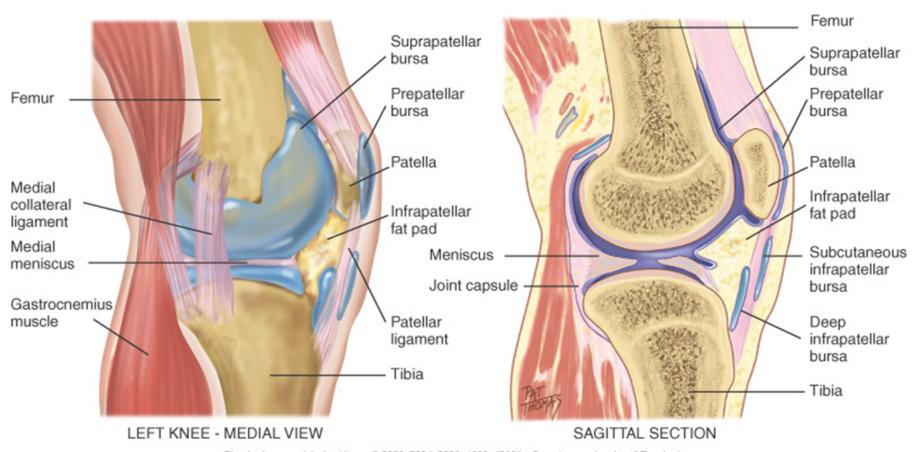
## Hip

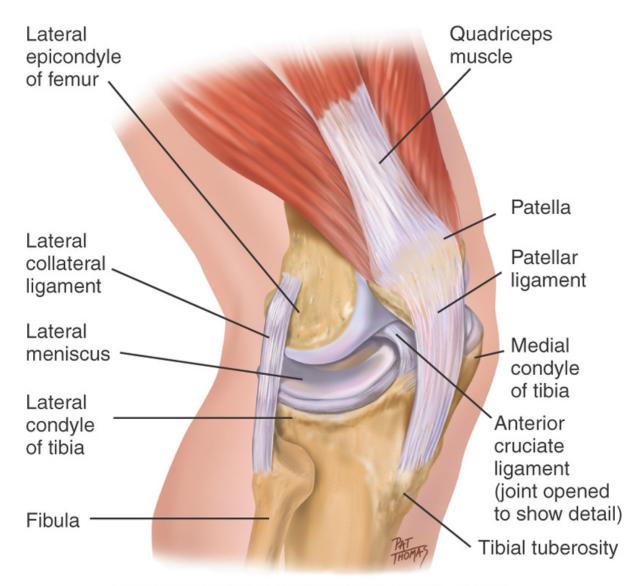
- Movement flexion (90 °)extension (30 °)
- abduction (45°), adduction (30°)
- internal (40°) rotation, external (45°) rotation
- circumduction
- Strength: gluteals, Quadriceps/Biceps Femoris



### Knee

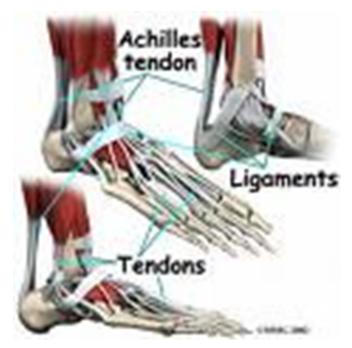
#### Inspect, Palpate, ROM- flexion/extension Strength- Quadriceps and Biceps femoris

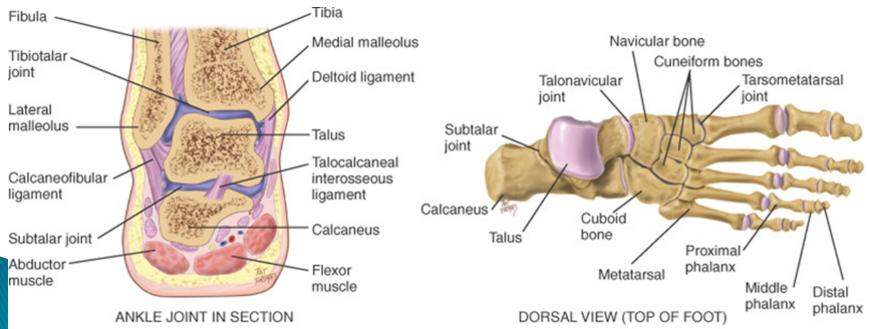




#### LANDMARKS OF THE RIGHT KNEE JOINT

### **Ankle and Foot**





## Ankle/Foot

- Inspect/Palpate:
- ▶ ROM :
  - Dorsiflexion/Plantar flexion
  - Eversion/Inversion
  - Toes: flexion/extension
- Strength: Gastrocnemius/Tibialis Anterior

# Developmental Considerations

#### Infants:

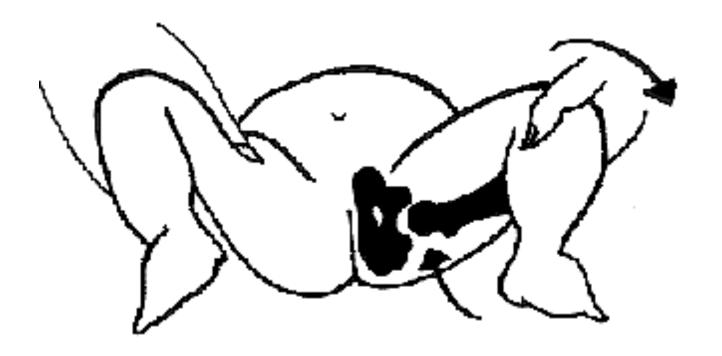
- Spine is C-shaped
- Ortolani's maneuver to check for congenital hip dislocation
- Joints more moveable

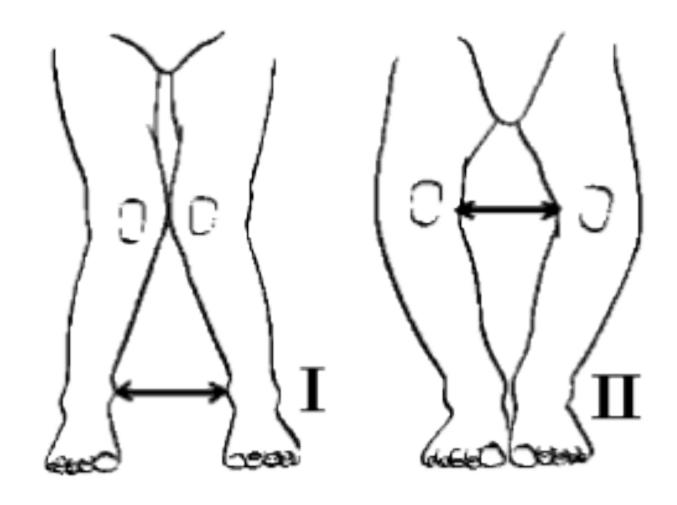
#### Children:

- Epiphyses: growth plates where length growth occur in children – any fracture or infection in this area = risk for bone deformity
- Genu Varum bowlegged, normal for one year after a child starts walking
- Genu Valgum knock-knee, normal 2 ½ to 3 yoa (may indicate rickets)
- Scoliosis (Abnormal curvature of spine, prepubescent girls)



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Genu Valgum

Genu Varum



An adolescent female has a right thoracic idiopathic scoliosis. Her rib prominence is most obvious upon her bending forward. The radiograph demonstrates a right thoracic scoliosis

# Developmental changes: Elderly

- Osteoporosis in the elderly
- Postural changes and loss of height occur in elderly due to loss of bone, fluid, and thinning of the vertebral disks
- Kyphosis
- Muscle atrophy as age increases
- Functional assessment important -walk, walk up stairs, rise from chair, rise from bed, bend to pick up object.





# Developmental considerations: Pregnancy

- Lordosis to compensate for enlarging fetus
- Can experience kyphosis and cervical flexion in 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester
- Waddling gait due to softening of pelvic ligaments late in pregnancy



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# Pathology of MSK

- Rheumatoid Arthritis:
  - Immune disease where joints are attacked
  - Painful, swelling, deformity, loss of function, progressive

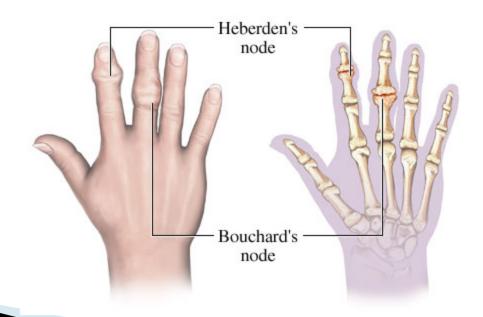
#### Swan Neck Deformity





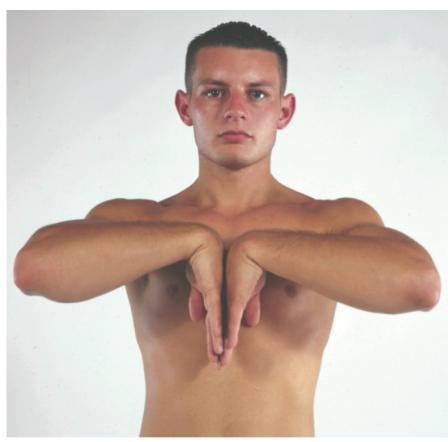
# Osteoarthritis/ Degenerative Joint disease

- Overuse, "wearing out" of joints
- Often affects hips/shoulders/ fingers



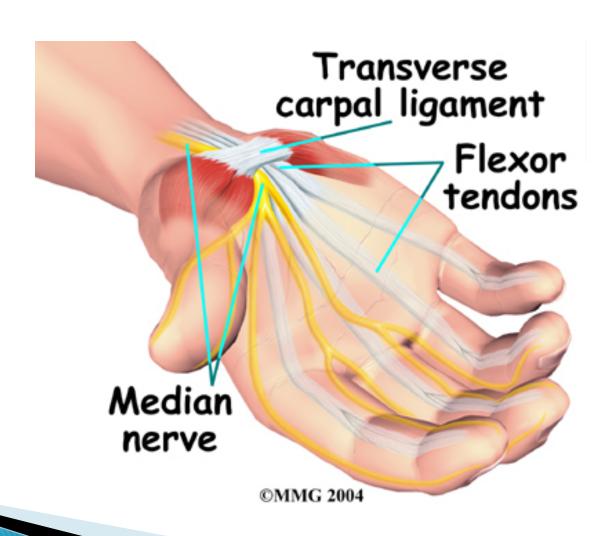
# **Special Tests**

- Phalen's test +test = carpal tunnel
- Hold position 60 sec
- Numbness
- Tingling
- Burning



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# Carpel Tunnel Syndrome



# Special Tests

Tinel's sign –
percussion of
median nerve
produces burning
or tingling =
carpel tunnel



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# Bulge Sign

Fluid in the knee joint



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# Ballottement of patella

Detects larger amts of fluid in knee joint



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