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ANATOMY

LECTURE :1. ANATOMICAL TERMS

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Anatomic Terms

Definition of Anatomy. Anatomy may be defined as the science of the structure and function of the body.

The term (anatomy) consists of two parts; **ana**, which means away and **tomy** which means to cut, so it means to cut away or dissect.

Descriptive Anatomic Terms:

It is important for medical personnel to have a sound knowledge and understanding of the basic anatomic terms. Without anatomic terms, one cannot accurately discuss or record the abnormal position of organs, or the exact location of swellings or tumors.

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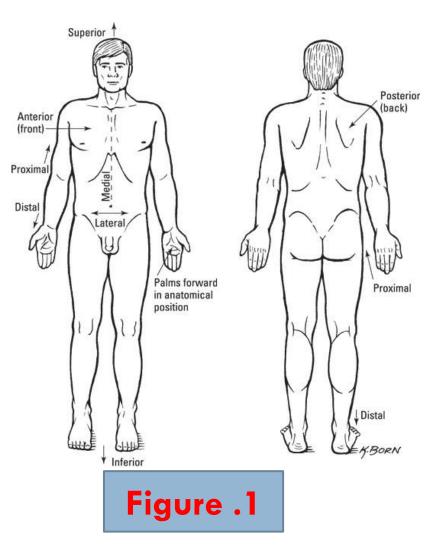
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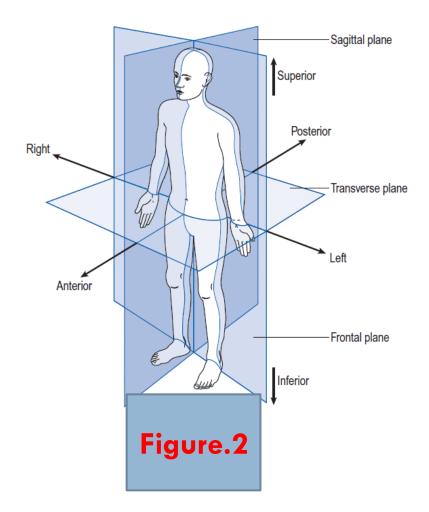
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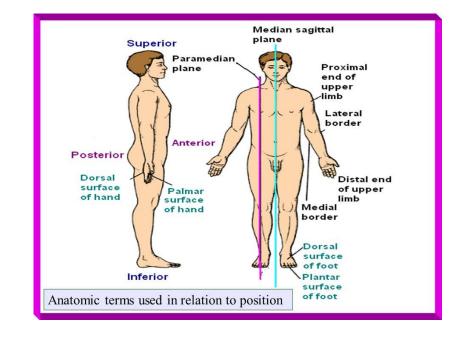
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Planes situated to one or the other side of the median plane and parallel to it are termed **paramedian**.

A structure situated nearer to the median plane of the body than another is said to be **medial** to the other. Similarly, a structure that lies farther away from the median plane than another is said to be **lateral** to the other (figure 3).





Coronal Planes (figure. 4).

These planes are imaginary vertical planes at right angles to

the median plane.

Horizontal, or Transverse, Planes (figure 5).

These planes are at right angles to both the median and the

coronal planes

Anterior and Posterior are used to indicate the front and back of the body, respectively. To describe the relationship of two structures, one is said to be anterior or posterior to the other insofar as it is closer to the anterior or posterior body surface (figure 6).

- Divides body into anterior and posterior portions
- Sagittal Plane
 - Divides body into left and right portions
 - Midsagittal Plane
 - Parasagittal Plane
- Transverse Plane (Crosssectional Plane)
 - Divides the body into superior and inferior portions

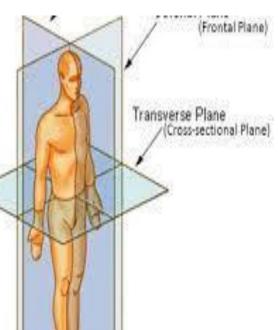
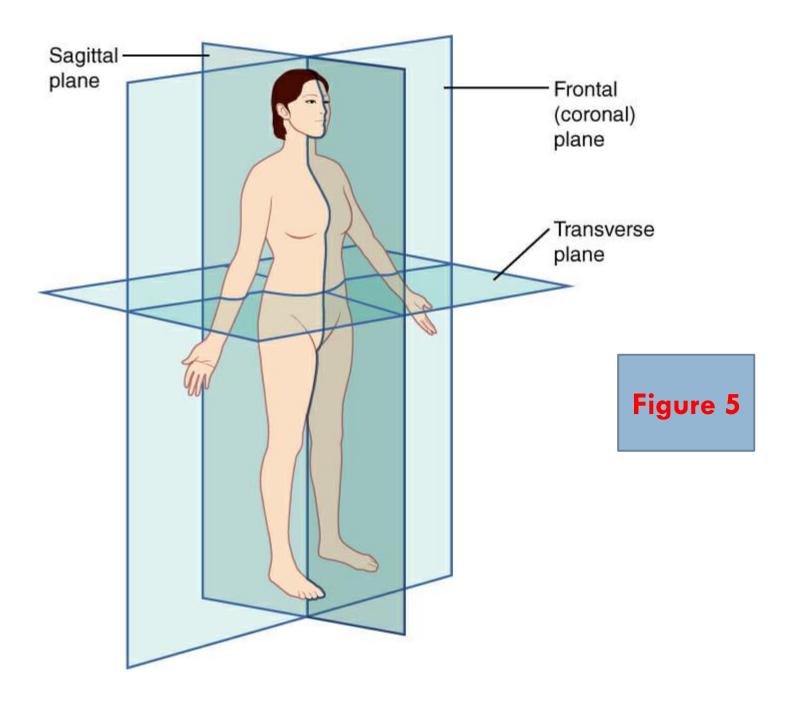
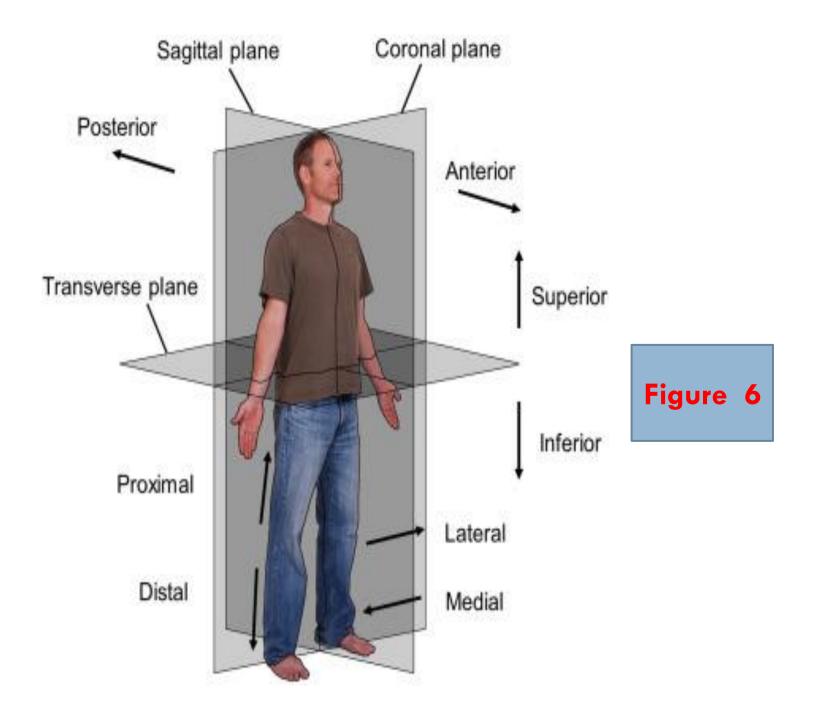


Figure.4





In describing the hand, the terms **palmar** and **dorsal**

surfaces are used in place of anterior and posterior, and in describing the foot, the terms **plantar** and **dorsal surfaces** are used instead of lower and upper surfaces (figure 6).

The terms **proximal** and **distal** describe the relative distances from the roots of the limbs; for example, the arm is proximal to the forearm and the hand is distal to the forearm.

The terms **superficial** and **deep are used to** the relative distances of structures from the surface of the body, and the terms **superior** and **inferior** denote levels relatively high or low with reference to the upper and lower ends of the body.

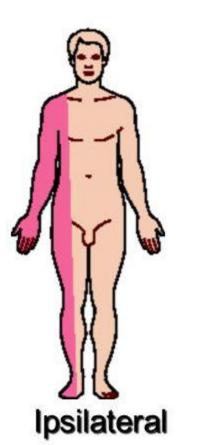
The terms **internal** and **external** are used to describe the relative distance of a structure from the center of an organ or cavity.

- for example, the internal carotid artery is found inside the **cranial cavity** and the **external carotid artery** is found outside the cranial cavity. The term **ipsilateral** refers to the same side of the body; for example, the left hand and the left foot are ipsilateral. **Contralateral** refers to opposite sides of the body; for example, the left **biceps brachii** muscle and the right **rectus** femoris muscle are contralateral. The **supine** position of the body is lying on the back.
- The **prone** position is lying face downward

Positional and Directional Terms (cont'd)

- Ipsilateral (ipsi-)
- Contralateral (contra-)





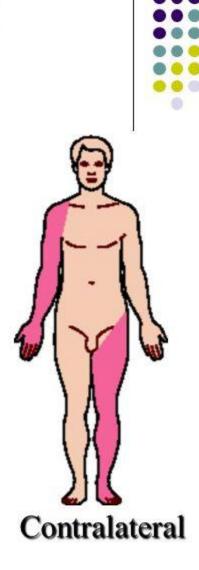
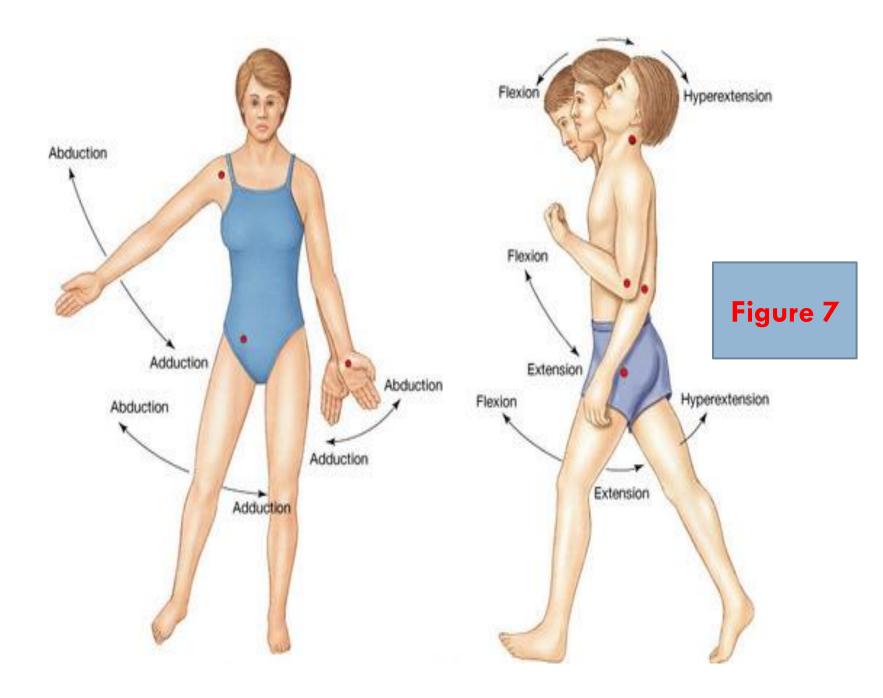


Figure. 6

Movements usually occurs at joint, a site where two or more bones come together. Some joints have no movement (e.g. sutures of the skull), some have only slight movement (e.g. superior tibiofibular joint), and some are freely movable (e.g. shoulder joint). (Figure 8).

Flexion is a movement that takes place in a sagittal plane. For example, flexion of the elbow joint approximates the anterior surface of the forearm to the anterior surface of the arm..



Abduction is a movement of a limb away from the midline of the body in the coronal plane .

Adduction is a movement of a limb toward the body in the coronal plane . In the fingers and toes, abduction is applied to the spreading of these structures and adduction is applied to the drawing together of these structures.

Extension means straightening the joint and usually takes place in a posterior direction.(**figure** 8)

Lateral flexion is a movement of the trunk in the coronal Plane.

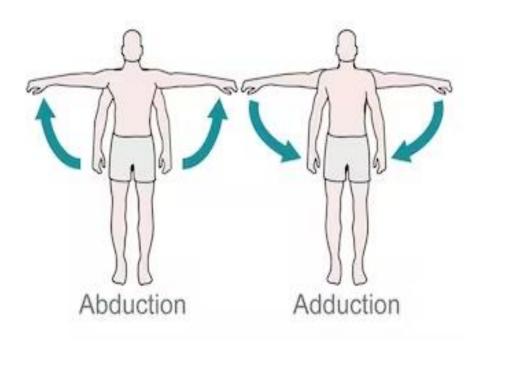




Figure.8

Rotation is the term applied to the movement of a part of the body around its long axis. Medial rotation is the movement that results in the anterior surface of the part facing medially. Lateral rotation is the movement that results in the anterior surface of the part facing laterally in such a manner that the palm of the hand faces posteriorly.(figure 9 a, b)





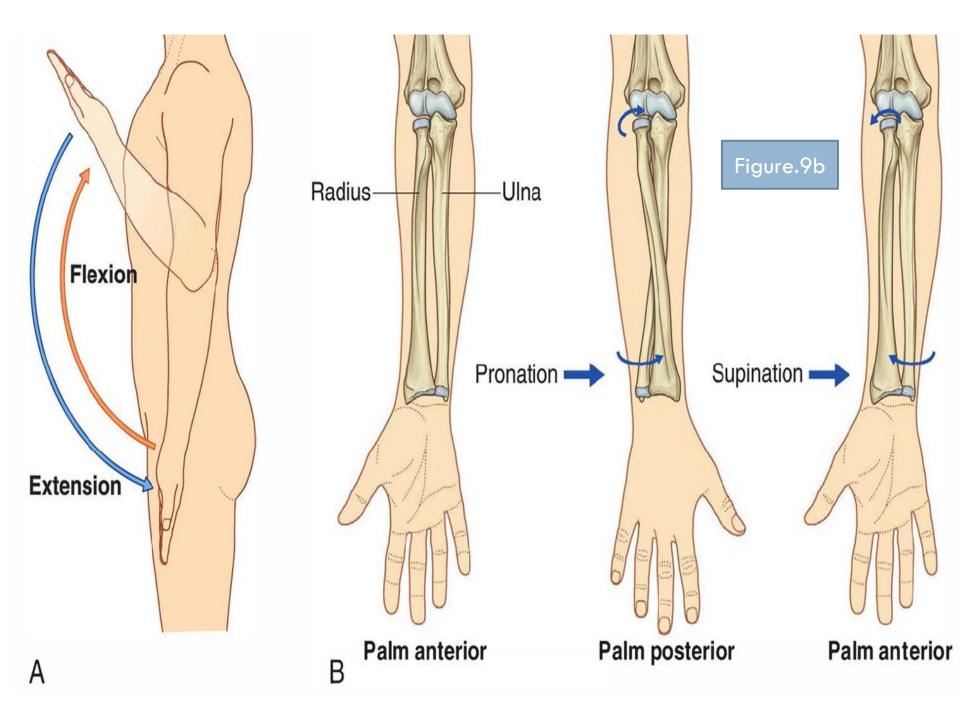
Medial rotation

Pronation of the forearm is a medial rotation of the forearm in such a manner that the palm of the hand faces posteriorly.

Supination of the forearm is a lateral rotation of the forearm from the pronated position so that the palm of the hand comes to face anteriorly (figure 9).

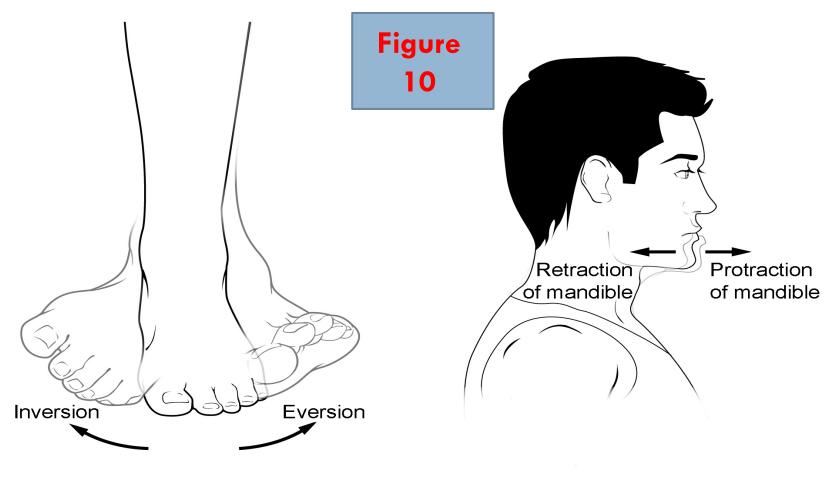
Inversion is the movement of the foot so that the sole faces in a medial direction .

Eversion is the opposite movement of the foot so that the sole faces in a lateral direction.



(figure 10).

Protraction is to move forward; **retraction** is to move backward (used to describe the forward and backward movement of the jaw at the temporomandibular joints).



(a) Inversion and eversion

(b) Protraction and retraction