

* The full story of each nerve:

1) Femoral nerve:

- ① Arise from L2, L3, L4 (anterior rami).
- ② EmERGE from lateral border of psoas major.
- ③ Under the inguinal ligament → lateral to femoral artery (in A).
- ④ It gives off branches medially (posterior)
- ↳ From the anterior division evahore → Saphenous nerve.

* Saphenous nerve:

- "The only cutaneous nerve that starts deep-hidden under muscles"
- ① Run downward and medially (Hidden)
 - ② EmERGE between tendons of rectus + gracilis muscle
 - ③ In the leg → it runs with the great saphenous vein
 - ④ pass in front of medial malleolus
 - ⑤ medial border of the foot
 - ⑥ terminates in the region of the ball of big toe.
- * Imp notes: the saphenous nerve only become cutaneous in the leg (or lower part of thigh)
so any operation of saphenous vein should be done in the thigh. (safer).

2) Ilioinguinal nerve:

- * mostly dangerous in hernia - could be cut
- ① enters the inguinal canal (perceps its posterior surface).
- ② exits through inguinal ring (with spermatic cord)
- ↳ innervate sensory: ① upper & medial thigh, ② root of the penis, ③ anterior surface of scrotum in men.
- In females: mons pubis and labium majus.

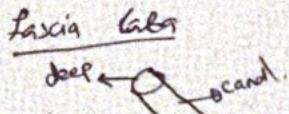
3) Iliohypogastric:

- ① supplies posterior lateral.
 - ② above superficial inguinal ring.
 - ③ pierces the aponeurosis of external oblique
 - ④ supplies the skin of pubic region.
- * Ilio hypogastric and ilio-inguinal → arise as single trunk (from L1)
- * either before or after emerging from lateral border of psoas major
- the trunk divides to give
- ↳ Iliohypogastric → (larger)
 - ↳ Ilioinguinal → (smaller).

4) Genito-femoral nerve:

(inguinal or inguinal canal)

- ↳ femoral branch: ① decends on lateral side of external iliac artery.
- * ② pass posterior to inguinal ligament
- * ③ lateral to femoral artery in femoral sheath
- ④ pierces the anterior layer of femoral sheath and fascia lata
- ⑤ supply skin of upper anterior thigh.



- Genital branch: ① Enters the canal (Psoas) through the deep inguinal ring

② continues through the canal

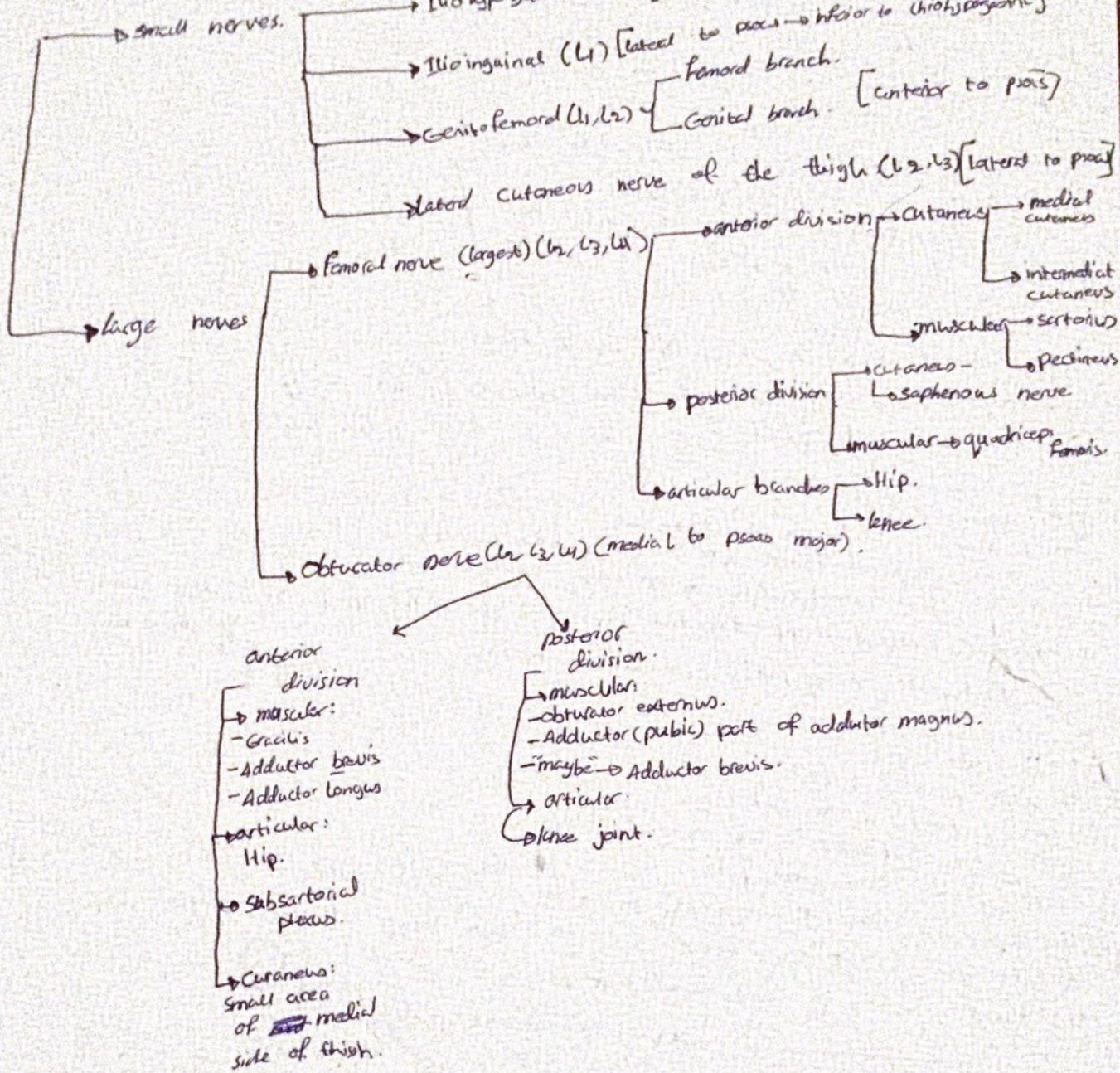
③ men: innervate → Cremaster muscle, terminates on skin of upper anterior of scrotum

④ women: accompanies the round ligament of uterus, terminate on skin of mons pubis or labium majus.

The lumbar plexus

General:

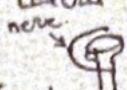
Anterior rami of L₁-L₄ → plexus (in the substance of psoas major) / also receives T12.
Posterior rami → supply the back.



③ Common peroneal nerve:

① arises in the lower third of thigh.

② runs downward through the popliteal fossa.

③ leaves the fossa by crossing superficially → to lateral head of fibula (exposed to injury). 

④ passes behind the head of fibula.

⑤ winds laterally around the neck of bone (lateral cutaneous nerve).

⑥ pierces peroneus longus muscle.

terminal branches:

superficial peroneal nerve: → muscular-lateral compartment of leg
(musculo-cutaneous nerve). the becomes → cutaneous to skin of leg.

Deep peroneal nerve: anterior compartment of leg.

* the nerve before dividing into the previous divisions gives off two branches: what does that mean? → any injury to the two terminal parts (superficial, deep) won't affect areas supplied by the following branches.

① sacral communicating branch.

↳ lateral cutaneous nerve of the calf → supplies the skin on lateral side of the back of leg.

② muscular branch: to the short head of biceps femoris (arise high up in popliteal fossa)

③ articular branch to knee joint

④ posterior cutaneous nerve of the thigh (S₁, S₂, S₃)

Enters the gluteal region through the lower part of greater sciatic foramen below periosteum.

② passes down on the posterior surface of sciatic nerve

③ runs down the back of the thigh beneath the deep fascia.

* ④ in the popliteal fossa it supplies the skin over the back of the thigh and upper part of the leg.

* considered sometimes either

→ root of popliteal fossa.
→ content of popliteal fossa.

⑤ Superior gluteal nerve (L₄-S₁)

① leaves the pelvis through greater sciatic foramen

② above peritoneum

→ superior branch → supply gluteus medius ~~minimus~~

→ inferior branch → supply gluteus medius, minimus, tensor fasciae latae.

⑥ Inferior gluteal nerve (L₅-S₂)

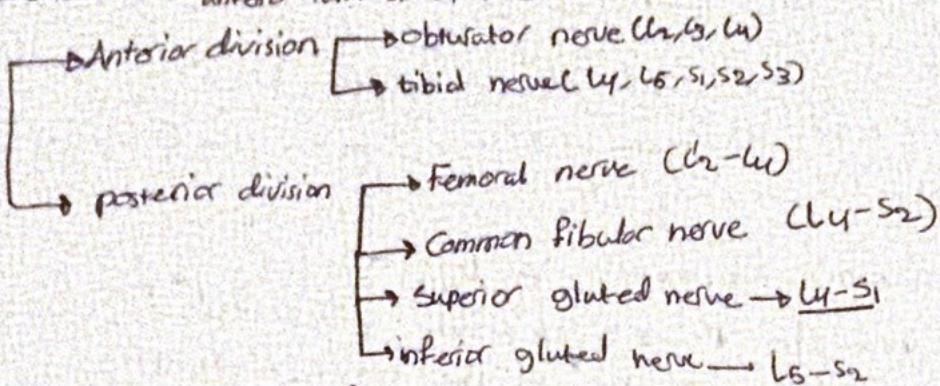
① leave pelvis through ~~gluteal~~ sciatic foramen

② below peritoneum muscle

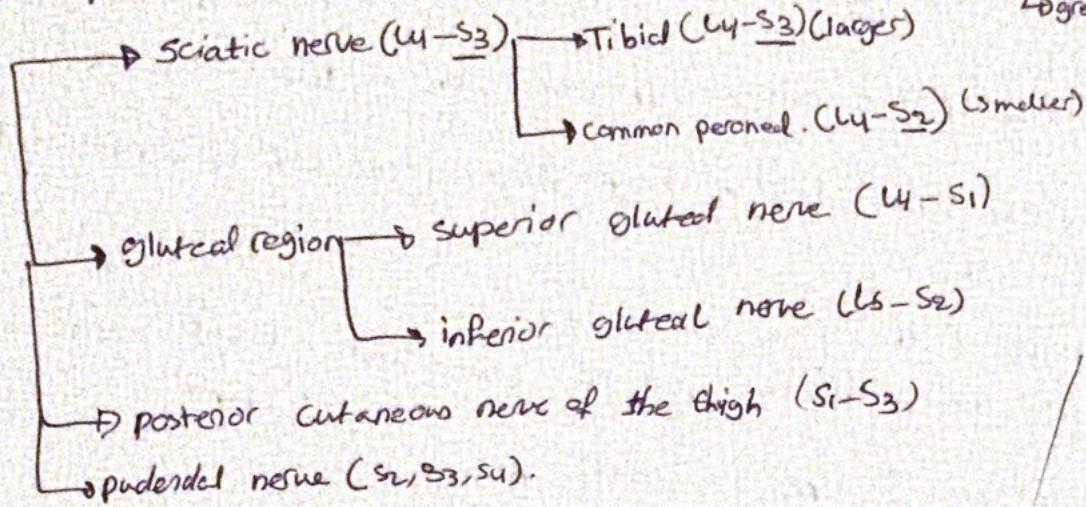
③ supply gluteus maximus.

- [5] lateral cutaneous nerve of the thigh (L₂, L₃)**
 ① emerge from lateral border of psoas major.
 ② posterior to the inguinal ligament and enters the thigh.
 ③ supply lateral and anterior side of skin of thigh (to the level of the knee).

lumbosacral plexus: thick nerve formed by union of lower part of anterior rami of L₄ + L₅.



sacral plexus: (L₄-S₂)



The sacral plexus is located on the posterior wall of pelvis on the anterior surface of peritoneum.
 formed by:
 lumbosacral trunk + ventral (anterior) rami of S₁-S₄.

Supply: lower limb, perineum, pelvic floor.
 * most branches go through Great sciatic foramen

[1] Sciatic nerve.

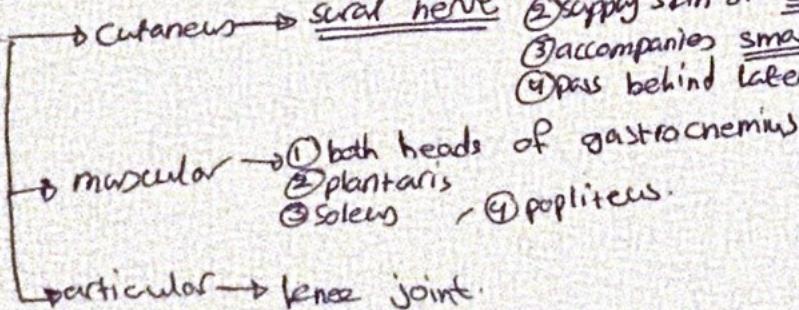
branch of sacral plexus (L₄-S₃).

- ① emerges from lower part of greater sciatic foramen.
 ② below periosteum muscle
 ③ the largest nerve in the body
 ④ consists of tibial and peroneal nerves that are bound together with fascia.
 ⑤ at level of middle of the thigh it terminates by dividing into tibial and common peroneal

[2] Tibial nerve:

- ① arise in the lower third of the thigh.
 ② runs down ward to popliteal fossa (cont.)
 ③ runs down ward to popliteal fossa → by passing beneath (Soleus muscle)

Branches:



- ① descends between two heads of gastrocnemius.
 ② supply skin of calf and back of leg.
 ③ accompanies small saphenous vein
 ④ pass behind lateral malleolus → supply lateral border of foot, lateral of little toe.

particular → knee joint.

* muscles of the lower limb "I'll mention them as their relation to the joints"

① muscles acting on the hip joint:

- ④ Flexors
 - ① ~~Flexor~~ of the Hip joint (general).
 - ② psoas major + Iliacus muscle → Flex thigh on trunk / also flex when trunk is fixed → sitting up from lying down.
 - ③ Sartorius muscle [also abduct & laterally rotate at hip ↑].
 - ④ Pectenius → also adduct ↗
 - ⑤ Rectus femoris head.
 - ⑥ Adductor muscles can also help. "small role"

⑦ Extensors of the hip joint:

- ① G. maximus → main extensor + can laterally rotate, help in cycling, climbing stairs.
- ② long head of biceps femoris.
- ③ semitendinosus muscle.
- ④ semimembranosus.
- ⑤ hamstring portion of adductor magnus

⑧ lateral rotators of the Hip:

- ① sartorius, ② G. maximus. → adductors muscles in medial compartment.
- ③ obturator externus → considered one of short rotators.

⑨ short lateral rotators:

- piriformis
- quadratus femoris
- obturator internus
- superior gemellus
- inferior gemellus.

⑩ Adductors:

- ① Pectenius.
- ② adductor longus
- ③ adductor brevis
- ④ adductor magnus (Pubic part)

⑤ Gracilis muscle.

⑪ abductors:

- ① Sartorius.
- ② G. medius. [main].
- ③ G. minimus.

⑫ medial rotators:

- ① G. medius.
- ② G. obliquus.

| Muscle | Origin | Insertion | Nerve Supply |
|-------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Biceps major | Transverse processes of bodies, vertebral discs of T12-L5 | • Iliac process of femur in lesser trochanter of femur | Lumbar plexus. The oblique side is said to be Femoral nerve. |
| Iliacus | Iliac fossa of hip bone. | ↓ lesser trochanter. | Femoral nerve. |
| Sartorius | anterior Superior iliac spine. | SGS part = upper medial shaft of tibia. | Femoral nerve. |
| Pectenatus | Superior ramus of pubis | Upper end of linea aspera of femur | Femoral nerve |
| Tactus femoris. | two heads: ① straight from anterior inferior iliac spine. ② reflected - ilium above acetabulum | Extensor of quadriceps femoris (at insertion - tibial tuberosity). Femoral nerve. | Femoral nerve. |
| Vastus lateralis | Linear origin from upper end of shaft of femur | ↓ | Femoral nerve |
| Vastus medialis | ↓ | ↓ | Femoral nerve. |
| Vastus intermedius | anterior and lateral surfaces of shaft of femur | ↓ | Femoral nerve. |
| Adductor longus | body of pubis (medial to pubic tubercle). | Linea aspera. (Posterior surface of femur) | Obturator nerve. |
| Adductor brevis | inferior ramus of pubis | ↓ | Obturator nerve. |
| Gracilis | Inferior ramus of pubis + ramus of ischium | SGS = upper medial part of tibia. | Obturator nerve. |
| Obturator externus | outer surface of obturator membrane and pubic and ischid rami | Medial surface of greater trochanter. | Obturator nerve. |
| G. maximus | ① Ilium - behind posterior gluteal line ② sacrum and coccyx ③ sacrotuberous ligament | ① Superficial 3/4 are inserted intoilio-tibial tract ② deep part into gluteal tuberosity (L5-S2). | Inferior gluteal nerve |
| G. medius | between middle and inferior gluteal line | Greater trochanter of femur. | Superior gluteal nerve (L4-S1) |
| G. minimus | behind the inferior gluteal line. | Greater trochanter of femur | Superior gluteal nerve. |
| Periformis | | Medial of greater trochanter | Inferior gluteal nerve. |
| Obturator internus | | ~ | Nerve to obturator internus |
| superior gemellus | | ~ | ↓ |
| inferior gemellus | ↓ | ~ | Nerve to quadratus femoris. |
| long head of biceps | ischial tuberosity. | head of fibula. | Tibial nerve (portion of sciatic nerve). |
| Quadratus femoris. | | Medial of greater trochanter. | Nerve to quadratus femoris |
| Adductor magnus | ① pubic part: ischio-pubic ramus (adductor) ② hamstring part: ischial tuberosity (extensor) | Pubic rami, gluteal tuberosity and medial supracondylar line → adductor tubercle of femur | Obturator nerve. Tibial nerve. |

Muscles acting on knee joint.

[1] Flexors:

- ① sartorius muscle
- ② gracilis muscle
- ③ Biceps femoris
- ④ semitendinosus

- ⑤ semimembranosus
- ⑥ gastrocnemius

[2] Extensors:

- ① quadriceps femoris (main extensor)

- ② G. maximus stabilizes the extended knee through ilio tibial tract
- ③ Tensor fasciae latae → assist G. mea.

[3] medial rotators: (S3).

- ① sartorius
- ② semitendinosus
- ③ semi membrano

[4] lateral rotators:

- ① Biceps femoris

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| muscle. | origin | insertion | innervation. |
|---------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Biceps femoris | long head: ischial tuberosity short head: linea aspera, lateral supracondylar ridge | head of fibula. | long head: tibial nerve short head: common peroneal nerve |
| semitendinosus | ischial tuberosity | SGS → upper medial shaft of tibia | tibial nerve. |
| semimembranosus | ischial tuberosity | medial condyl of tibia | tibial nerve. |
| Tensor fascia latae | iliac crest | Iliotibial tract | superior gluteal nerve. |

*Muscle on ankle joint:

① Dorsi flexion (extension).

↳ what does it mean? ① stand on your heels, ② raise toes up.

① Tibialis anterior

[Tom has very nice dogs and pigs]

② Extensor digitorum longus.

[Their insertion form medial to lateral.]

③ Extensor hallucis longus.

④ peroneus tertius.

② plantar flexors (flexors).

① Superficial group of posterior compartment of leg : p.

① Gastrocnemius

② plantaris (abent.) → main propulsive force in walking and running.

③ Soleus.

② Deep group of posterior compartment (Tom does very nice hakes)

lateralizing medial mallesculus.

① peronifer

② flexor digitorum longus

③ flexor hallucis longus.

④ Tibialis posterior.

③ Lateral compartment:
① peroneus longus.
② peroneus brevis.

→ muscles acting on subtalar and transversal joints.

① Invertors:

*anything starts with tibialis:

① Tibialis anterior

② Tibialis posterior

Evertors:

*anything with peroneus:

① peroneus longus.

② peroneus brevis

Muscles of the sole of the foot:
they act on tarsometatarsal joints, and metatarsophalangeal joints.

first layer

→ Abductor hallucis
→ flexor digitorum brevis
→ abductor digiti minimi

Quadratus plantae.

muscles
lumbricals.

tendons
flexor digitorum longus tendon
flexor hallucis longus tendon

3rd layer
flexor hallucis brevis
adductor hallucis

flexor digiti minimi brevis.