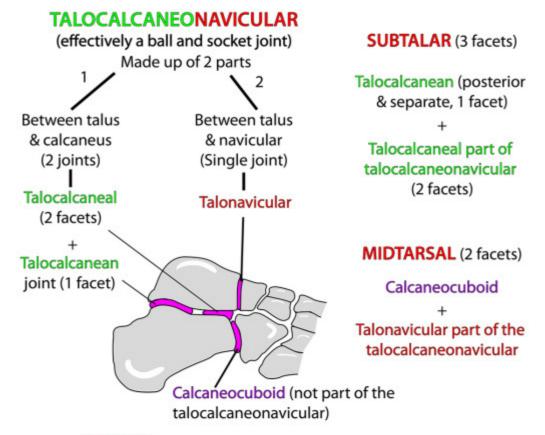
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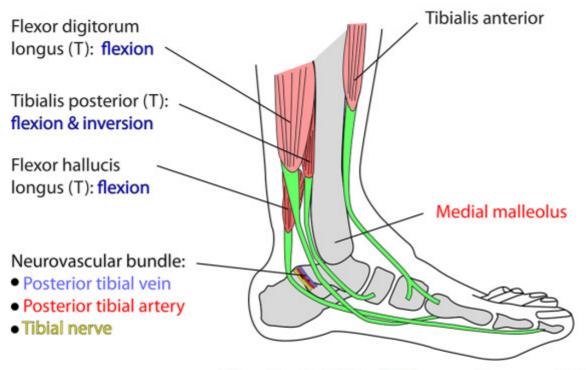
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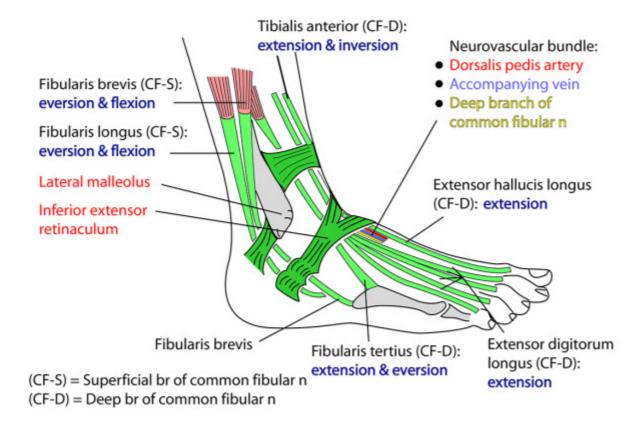
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Order of structures behind medial malleolus from anterior to posterior:

Tibialis posterior, flexor digitorum longus, posterior tibial vein & artery, tibial nerve, flexor hallucis longus Mnemonic: Timothy Doth Vex All Nervous Housemaids

Flexor retinaculum
Tip of medial malleolus to medial calcaneal
process and plantar aponeurosis

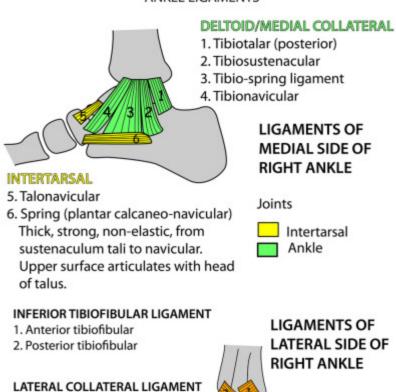
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Mnemonic for dorsal tendons, vessels & nerves from medial to lateral:

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 Posterior talofibular

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- 7. Lateral talocalcaneal
- 8. Cervical

LIGAMENTS

9. Bifurcate

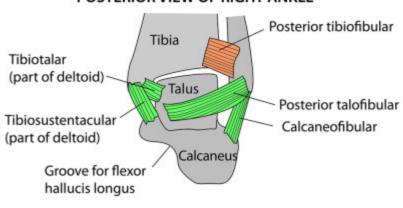
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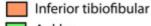
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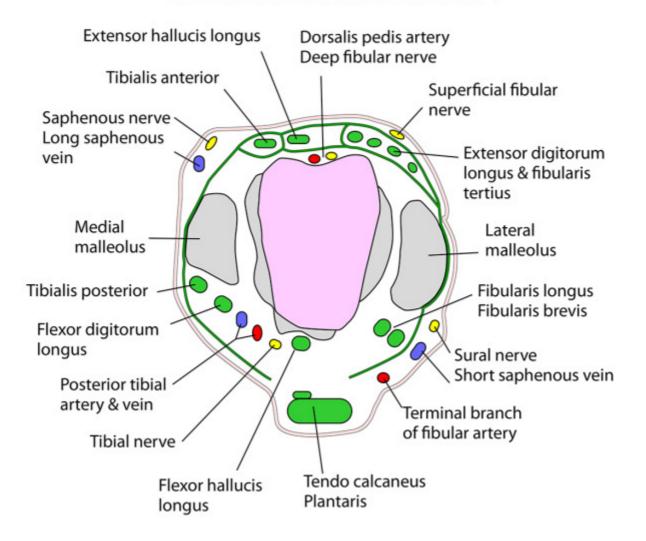
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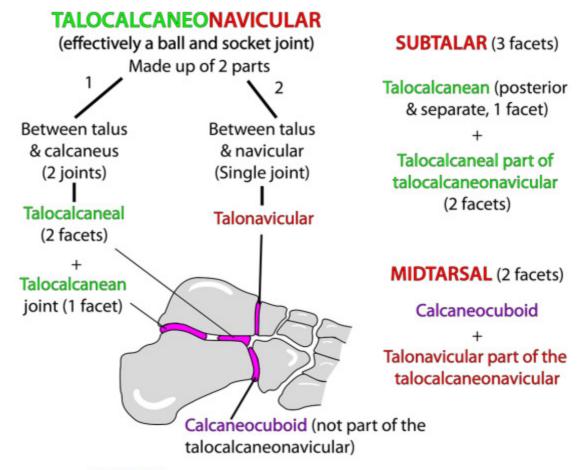
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