



# Introduction to Clinical Medicine



## Lecture : 4

## Physical Examination- CVS



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\*Introductory - CVS (2)

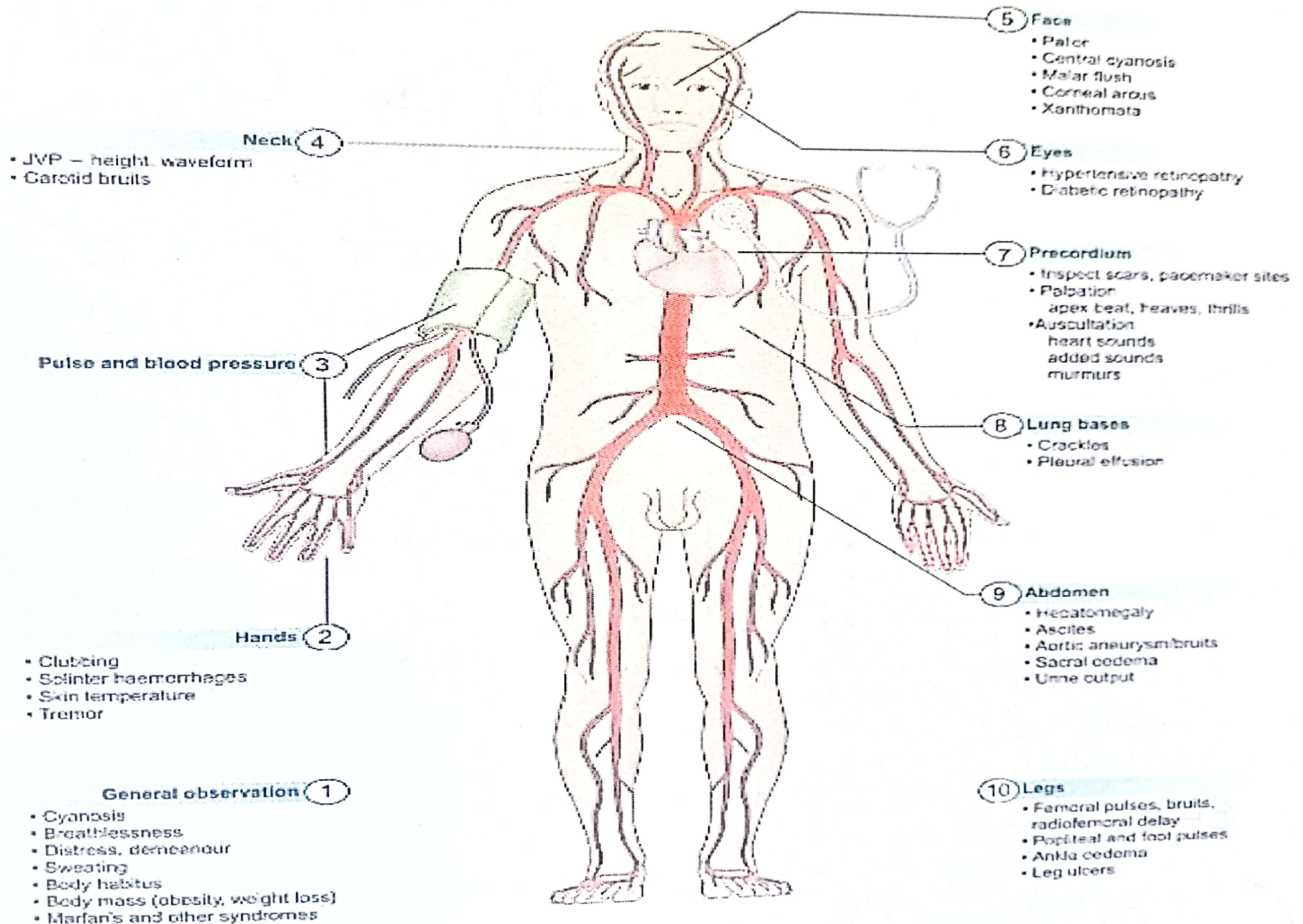
# CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM

## PHYSICAL EXAM

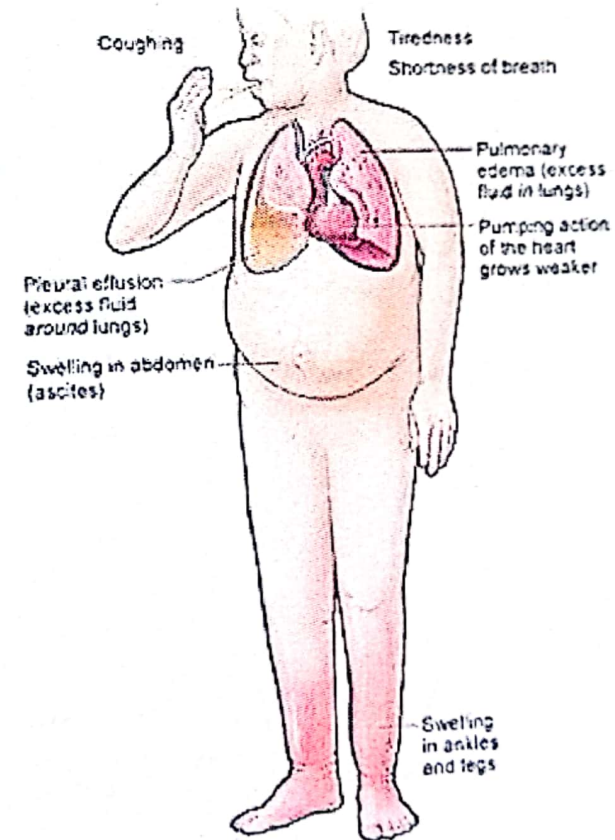
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المحاضرة

- ① Hand exam
- ② Face exam
- ③ Arterial pulses
- ④ Blood pressure
- ⑤ Jugular venous pressure.

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الحمية ووزن  
باللؤلؤ  
General examination  
+ Vital signs.



# Heart failure



دکڑی حشہ symptoms (علائم) اور symptoms المرصہ بخبرنا ایسا ایسا signs احتیاج لازم نشووندا (

\* Physical examination steps → (to obtain signs)

- 1 • introduce your self, take permission & explain what u want to do
- 2 • privacy
- 3 • Good light
- 4 • position ⇒ 45°
- 5 • exposure  
↳ from above the waist

# General impression (You obtain it from the 1<sup>st</sup> moment you see the pt.)

- comment on position in bed ( lying comfortable , in distress...), connections → (canula/blood transfusion ... etc)
- Looks well or ill
- breathless, distressed or frightened
- LOC (Level of consciousness)
- cyanosed , pale , jaundiced

# vital signs

→ Include 3.

1] Measurement of the temperature

2] HR, pulse rate, respiratory rate

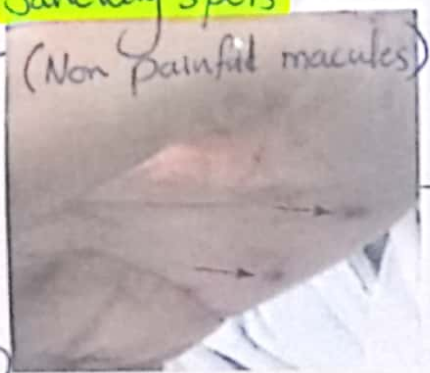
3] Blood pressure

# \*Infective endocarditis

\* This is **petechial hemorrhage** in the conjunctiva, and we can find it on any part of the skin (mainly on legs)

\* You should examine infective endo. pt. in the whole skin

**Janeway spots**  
(Non painful macules)



(A)

**Osler node**



(B)



(E)



(D)



**Roth's spots** (Retinal Hemorrhages)  
فاينقدر نشوفهم غير  
عن طريق  
ophthalmoscope

(C)



**Osler nodes**  
(very painful and tender lesions found on the side of the finger)



infective  
endocarditis

clubbing  
fingers



- \* Other CVS causes  
of finger clubbing
- 1] Infective endocarditis
  - 2] Congenital cyanotic  
heart disease
  - 3] Atrial myxoma  
↳ This is a primary  
tumor of the heart

# 1. Hand examination in cvs

2.

## \* Inspection

✓ Cyanosis

✓ Nails : tobacco staining, clubbing, splinter hemorrhages

or  
1/2 splinter  
hemorrhages could be normal (happened due to trauma or without any cause)

✓ palms : janway spots, osler nodes, xanthomata on palms extensor surfaces,

↳ caused by familiar hypercholesterolemia, and they present on the extensor surfaces of the tendon.

✓ Skin : petechial rash

## \* Palpation:

✗ Wet vs dry, hot vs cold, tremor

\* Pt. with wet & warm hand could have → Thyrotoxicosis

\* Dry & cold hands → Hypothyroidism

\* Fine tremor → Thyrotoxicosis

\* Flapping tremor (Asterixis) → CO<sub>2</sub> retention / end-stage liver ds.

## 2. Face examination in cvs

found on the eyelids  $\Rightarrow$  also indicate familial hypercholesterolemia.

- xanthelasma , if present check for xanthomata
- corneal arcus
- conjunctival petechiae  $\rightarrow$  seen in infective endocarditis.
- Fundus : dm & htn, roth spots  $\Rightarrow$  you should use ophthalmoscopy to examine retinal changes
- Mouth : cyanosis  $\Rightarrow$  Blue tongue  $\rightarrow$  indicates central cyanosis
- malar flush  $\rightarrow$  seen in mitral stenosis.

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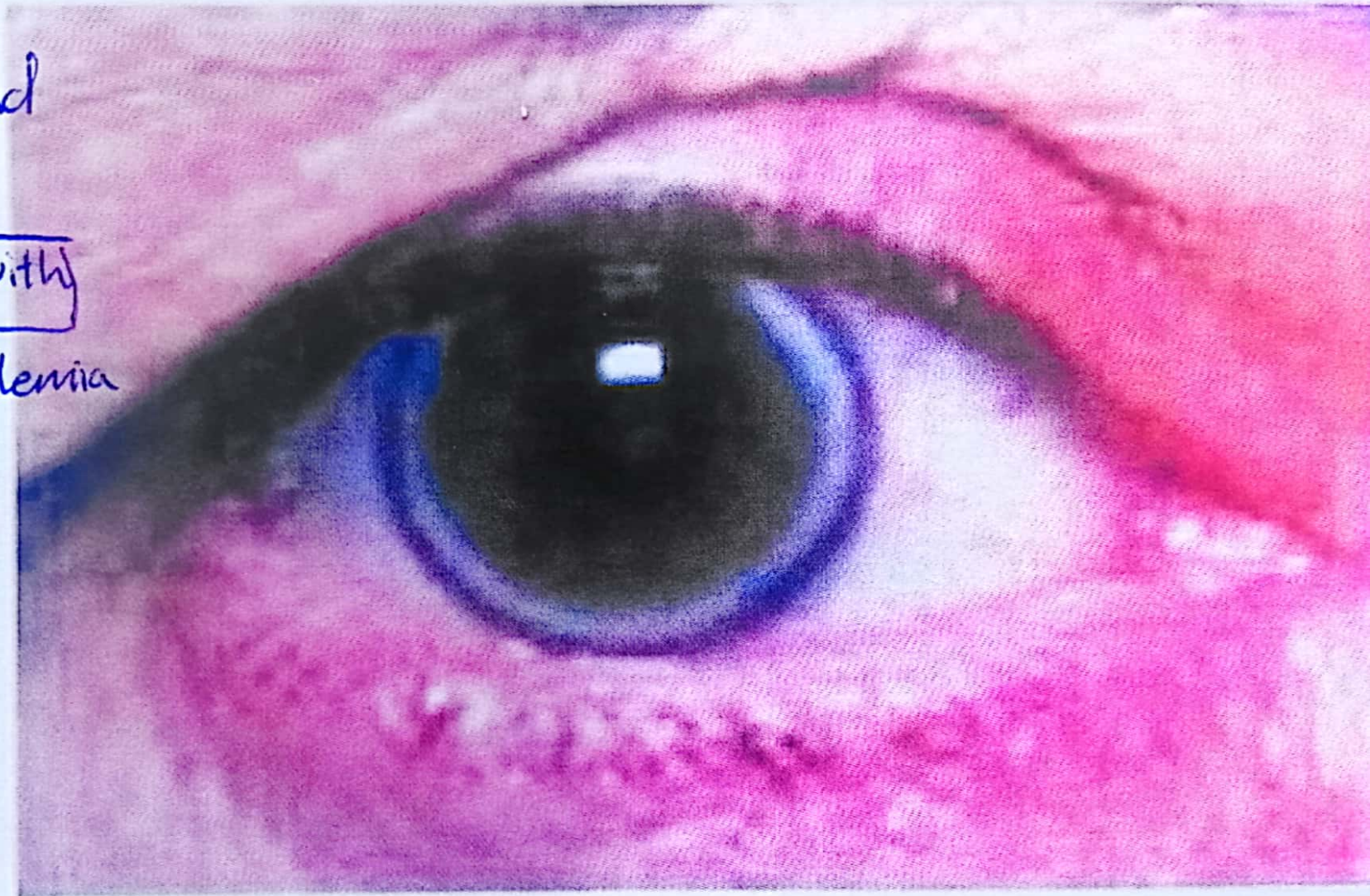
# Corneal arcus

(creamy-like circle found around the iris)

\* Happens in Pts with

→ 1) hypercholesterolemia

→ 2) elderly pt.  
↳ here, it could be normal



# Dyslipidemia

Xanthomata

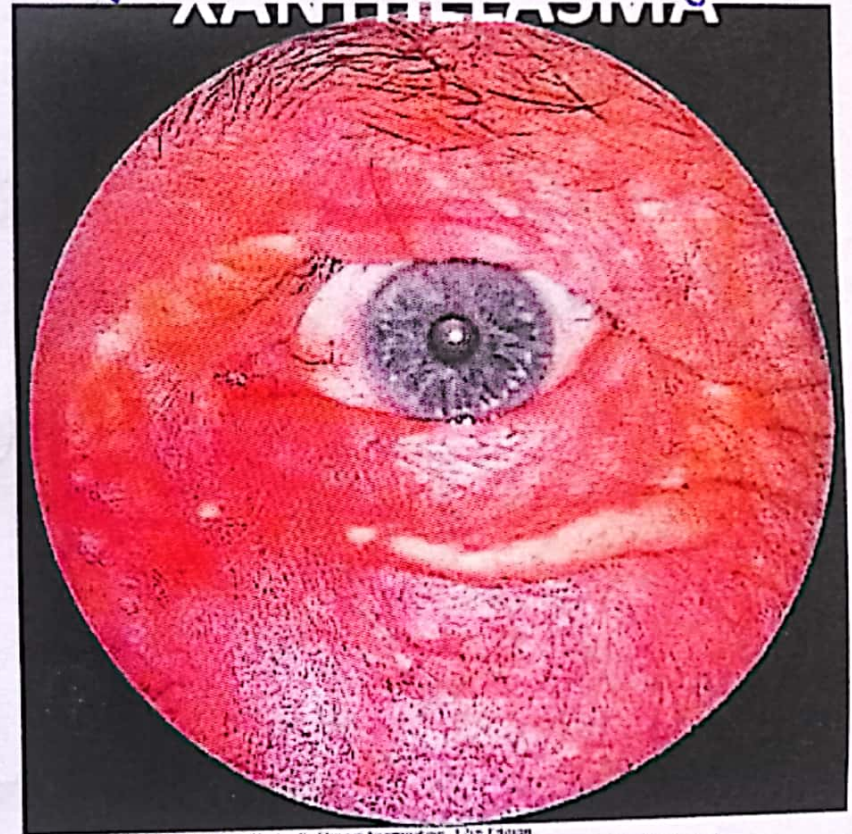
(on extensor surface of tendon)



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Xanthelasma

(around the eyelid)



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### 3. Arterial pulses

## تعريف

- the palpable pulse in an artery reflects the pressure wave generated by the ejection of blood into the circulation from the left ventricle.

- When taking a pulse, assess:

1. rate: the number of pulses occurring per minute

2. rhythm: the pattern or regularity of pulses

3. volume: the perceived degree of pulsation

4. character: an impression of the pulse waveform or shape.

5. compressibility of the artery

The rate and rhythm of the pulse are usually determined at the radial artery; use the larger pulses (brachial, carotid or femoral) to assess the pulse volume and character.

from the radial artery

from 1) brachial  
or 2) carotid  
or 3) femoral

An artery is compressible (means that when you make a pressure over the artery, you can't feel the pulse any more.

→ \*Uncompressible artery happens due to calcification & occlusions like thrombus - etc.)

# Arterial pulses

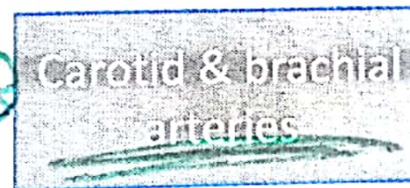
⊗ What are the arteries that you will palpate in the physical exam?

↳ >> radial , brachial , carotid , femoral , popliteal , post tibial , dorsalis pedis

>> Identify surface markings of peripheral arteries

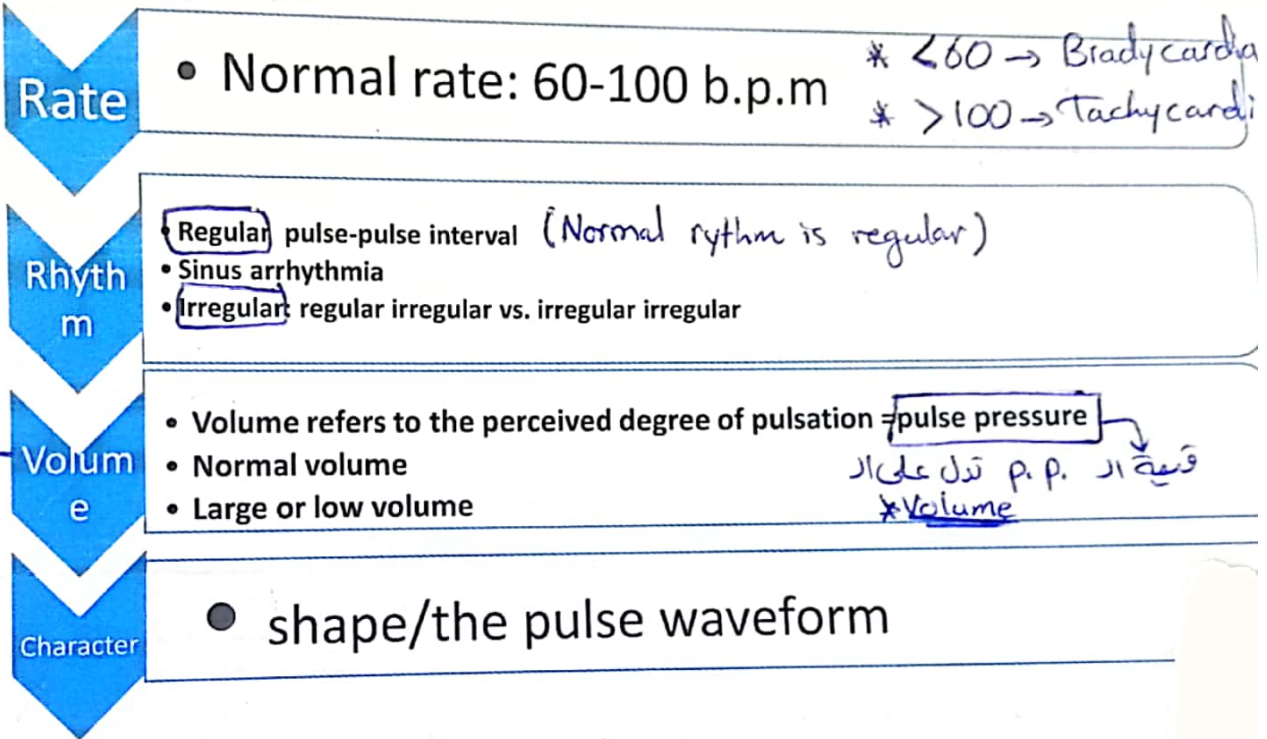
>> Examination includes:

- ① ✓ Rate
- ② ✓ Rhythm
- ③ ✓ Compressibility
- ① ✓ Volume
- ② ✓ Character





# Arterial pulses



حاشي لمرتبة ذكرية داخلنا  
نميزه (من كتر مارج  
تسوي ناس بكم بتعرفي  
تميزي !!)

قوية ال p.p. تدل على ال  
\* Volume

## \* Irregular rhythm (Abnormal rhythm)

↳ Regularly irregular  
irregular rhythms happen  
at regular intervals  
eg) atrial extrasystoles  
ventricular extrasystoles  
AV block

↳ Irregularly irregular  
The irregularity is unexpected  
eg) Atrial fibrillation

## 4.9 Causes of abnormal pulse rate or rhythm

Abnormality	Sinus rhythm	Arrhythmia
<b>Fast rate</b> (tachycardia, > 100 bpm)	<p><i>physiological causes</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exercise</li> <li>Pain</li> <li>Excitement/anxiety</li> <li>Fever</li> </ul> <p><i>pathological causes</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hyperthyroidism</li> <li>Medication:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sympathomimetics, e.g. salbutamol</li> <li>Vasodilators</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Atrial fibrillation</li> <li>Atrial flutter</li> <li>Supraventricular tachycardia</li> <li>Ventricular tachycardia</li> </ul>
<b>Slow rate</b> (bradycardia, < 60 bpm)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sleep <i>physio</i></li> <li>Athletic training <i>physio</i></li> <li>Hypothyroidism <i>patho</i></li> <li>Medication:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beta-blockers</li> <li>Digoxin</li> <li>Verapamil, diltiazem</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Carotid sinus hypersensitivity</li> <li>Sick sinus syndrome</li> <li>Second-degree heart block</li> <li>Complete heart block</li> </ul>

*decrease with exercise*

\* شو يك بيهيس بار (extrasystole) بتبي  
 يكون عنا نبضة (beat) بتبي  
 prematurely (يعني ايكرون المتوقع)  
 بعدين بيبي بعضا pause شوي  
 بعدين بيبي strong pulse وسببها هو  
 premature atrial contraction  
 with large volume.

**Irregular regular**

Irregular pulse

- ① Sinus arrhythmia
- ② Atrial extrasystoles
- ③ Ventricular extrasystoles

هذا في حد الحكي بيهيس

Regular intervals

Irregular regular (لانه شوي مواسي)

**Irregular irregular**

- ① Atrial fibrillation
- ② Atrial flutter with variable response
- ③ Second-degree heart block with variable response

لا يوجد اي علاقة  
 اي beat  
 والتانية  
 ∴ Irregular  
 Irregular

- $\uparrow$  <sup>(Volume)</sup> pulse pressure :  $\uparrow$  systolic bp  $\rightarrow$   $\downarrow$  diastolic bp
- proportional to stroke volume & cardiac output

• Inversely proportional to compliance of aorta (compliance decreases in elderly  $\therefore$  they have high p.p (high volume))

\* Increased pulse volume :

- 1- Exercise, pregnancy, increased environmental temp  $\Rightarrow$  (high CO)
- 2- anemia, fever, thyrotoxicosis, av shunt, paget's disease  $\Rightarrow$  (high CO)
- 3- advanced age, htn  $\Rightarrow$   $\downarrow$  compliance  $\rightarrow$   $\downarrow$  diastolic  $\rightarrow$   $\therefore$   $\uparrow$  p.p.
- 4- Aortic regurgitation : inc. EDV, inc. aortic sys p, dec. aortic dias p

$\rightarrow$  \*  $\uparrow$  end diastolic volume  
 \*  $\downarrow$  aortic diastolic blood pressure  
 $\therefore$   $\uparrow$  pulse pressure

Compliance  $\downarrow$   $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  pulse pressure  
 diastolic  $\downarrow$   $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  pulse pressure

\* **low pulse volume** : (caused by  $\downarrow$  C.O and  $\downarrow$  stroke volume)

① Left ventricular failure

② hypovolemia

③ Aortic stenosis

④ Mitral stenosis

⑤ tamponade  $\rightarrow$  here, there is decreased venous filling  $\therefore \downarrow$  stroke volume  
 $\therefore \downarrow$  pulse pressure

-Asymmetrical pulses on both sides may represent occlusive peripheral arterial disease or stenosis, and rarely, aortic dissection

\* **Thready pulse**  $\rightarrow$  very weak pulse

# Abnormal character

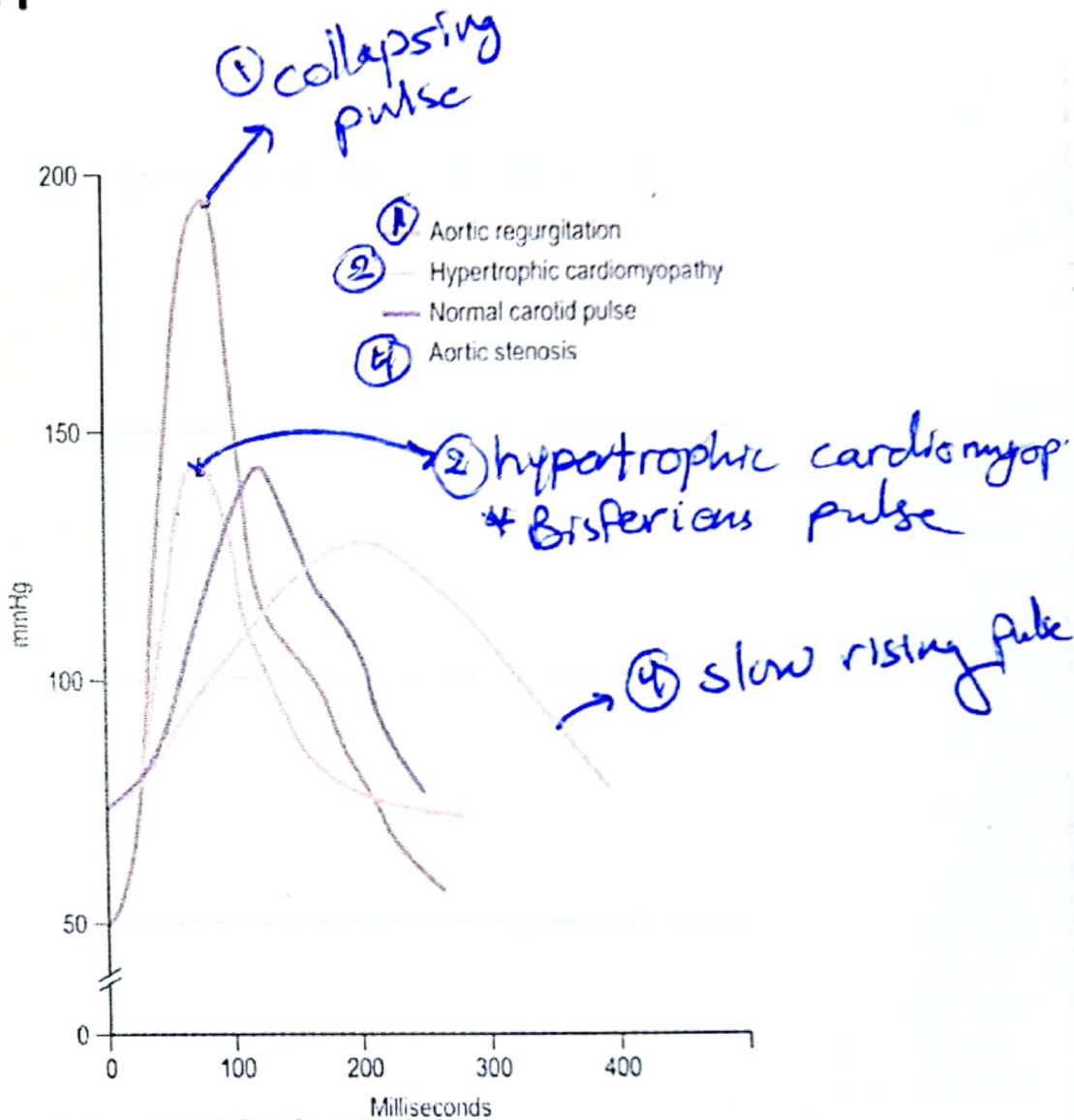
→ rapid peak and rapid fall  
 • **Collapsing pulse: rapid fall** ..the peak arrives early followed by rapid descend ( wide pulse pressure) → Aortic regurgitation

• **Slow rising pulse:** gradual upstroke with a reduced peak occurring late in systole → aortic stenosis

• **Bisferiens pulse:** two systolic peaks separated by midsystolic dip (concomitant ① aortic stenosis & regurg, & ② HOCM)

↳ Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy

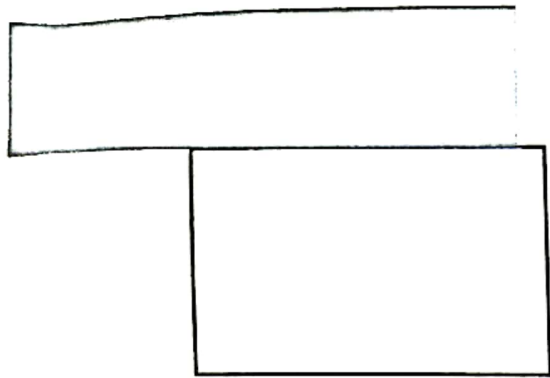
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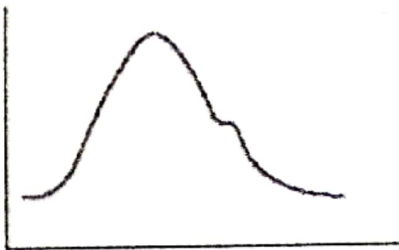
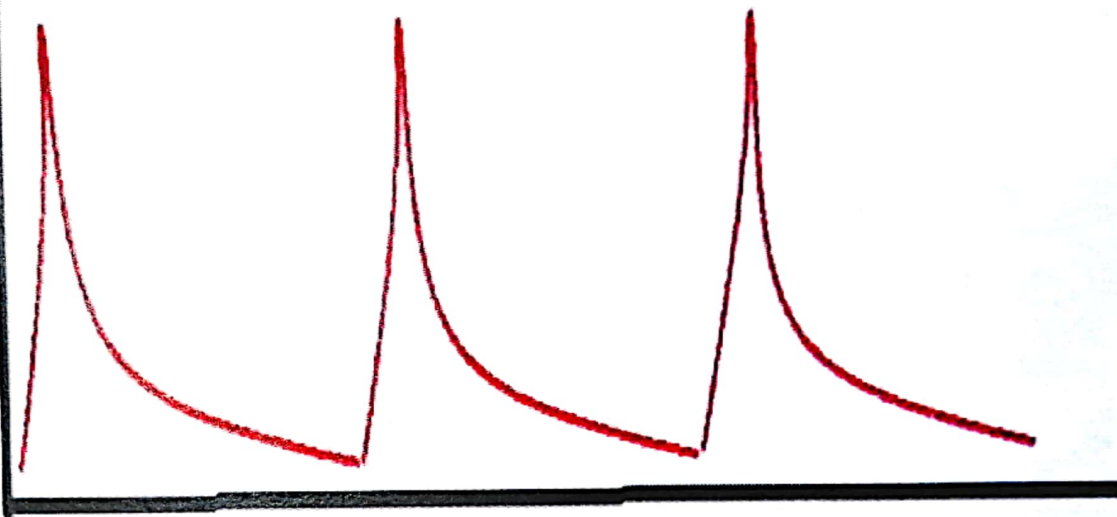
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\* Note that normal pulse has only 1 systolic peak BUT

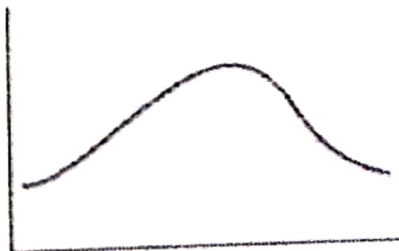
In Bisferiens pulse  
توجد فيه 2 peaks



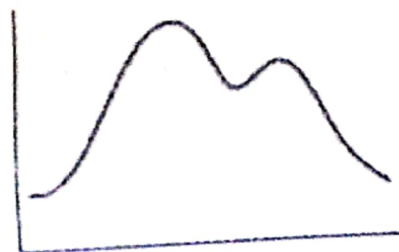
# collapsing pulse



Normal



Slow rising e.g. aortic stenosis



Bisferiens e.g. aortic stenosis mixed with aortic regurgitation



• **pulsus alternans** : \* 1 pulse with large volume followed by 1 pulse with low volume

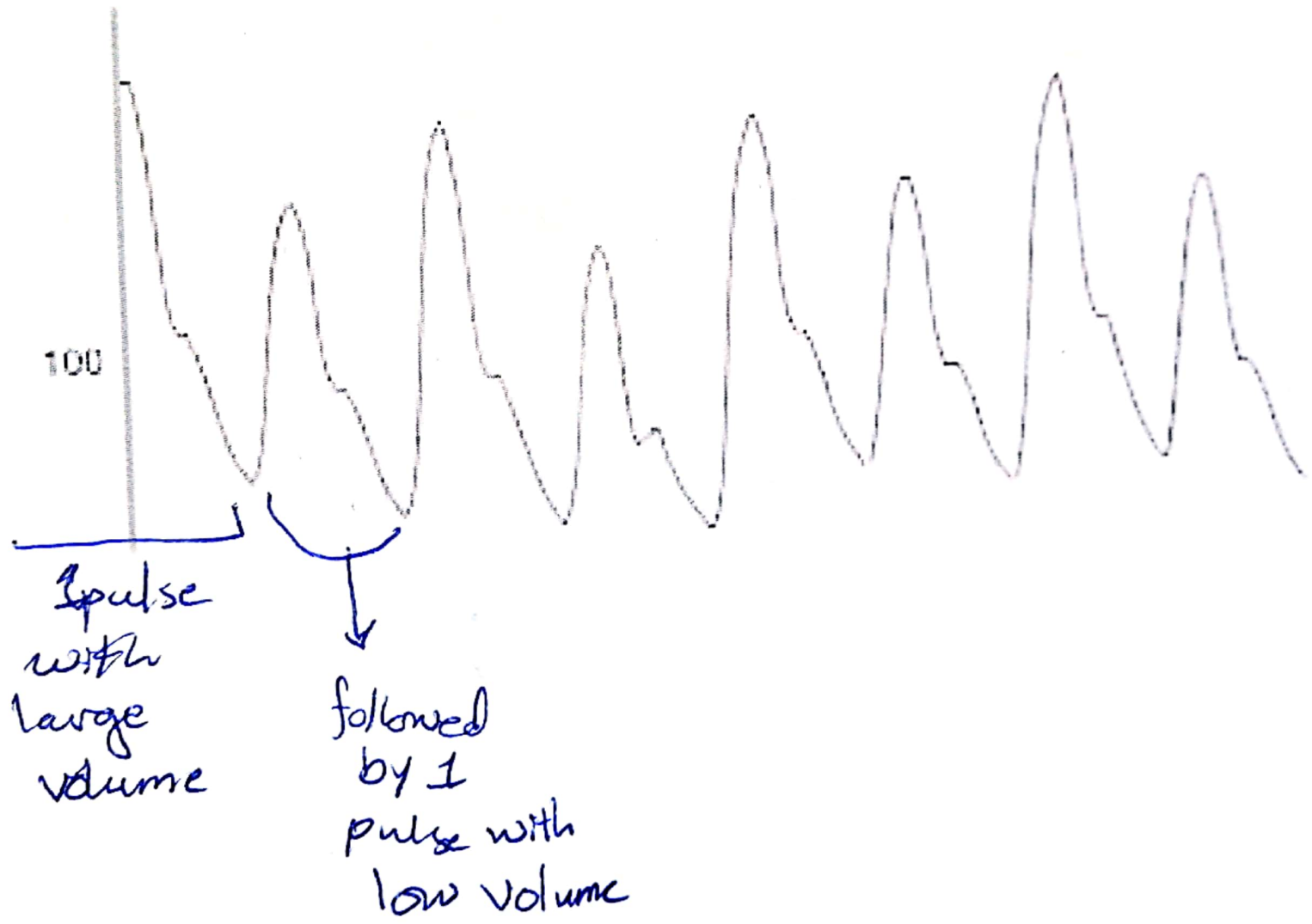
>> beat to beat variation in pulse volume with a normal rhythm .

>> occurs in advanced systolic heart failure

ما تشخصها  
الدكتورة

>> frank starling low ( higher EDV >> more stretch on muscle fibers >> higher stroke volume )

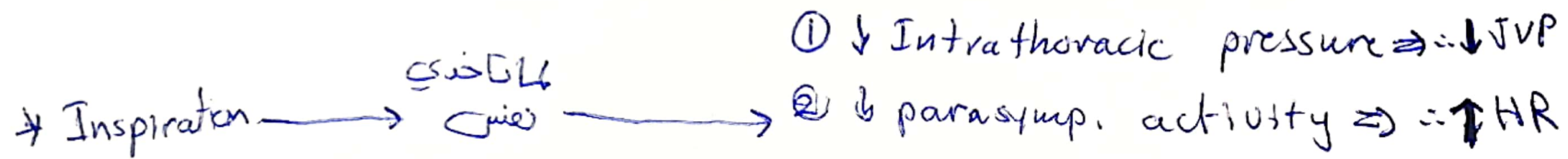
# Pulsus alternans





# ① Pulsus paradoxus

→ It is a misnomer (means normal exacerbation of a certain physiological response)



# Hemodynamic effects of respiration (Normal physiology)

	Inspiration	expiration
* Heart rate	Accelerates	Slows
* Systolic BP	Falls (up to 10 mmHg) * if it falls more than <u>10</u> $\rightarrow$ this is pulsus paradoxus	Rises
* JVP Jugular venous pressure.	Falls	Rises

# Pulsus paradoxus

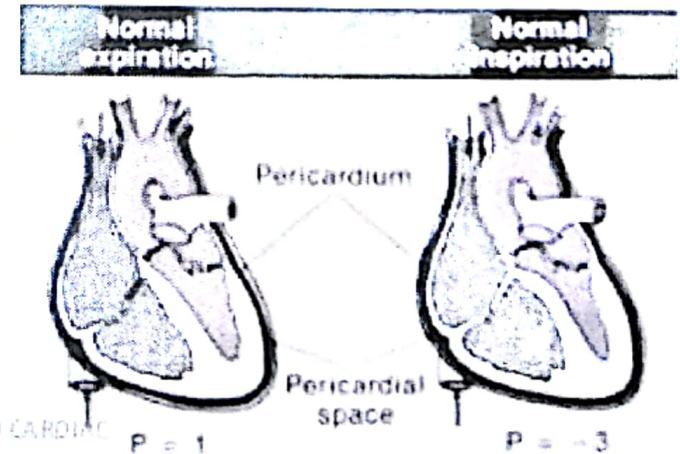


Intraperi pressure (IPP) tracks- intrathoracic pressure.

## Inspiration:

- ① -ve intrathoracic pressure is transmitted to the pericardial space
- ② ↓ IPP (intra pericardial pressure) → Pericardium → venous system
- ③ ↑ blood return to the right ventricle
- ④ ↓ jugular venous and right atrial pressures ⇒ more filling ⇒ JVP & atrial pressure decrease
- ⑤ ↑ right ventricular volume → IVS (intra ventricular septum) shifts towards the left ventricle
- ⑥ ↓ left ventricular volume
- ⑦ ↓ LV stroke volume

⇒ ↓ blood pressure (<10mmHg is normal) during inspiration



PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF CLP AND CARDIAC TAMPONADE

more filling  
بسيار shift

BP اذا صار في نقصان  
فكتر من 10 mmHg  
Pulsus paradoxus

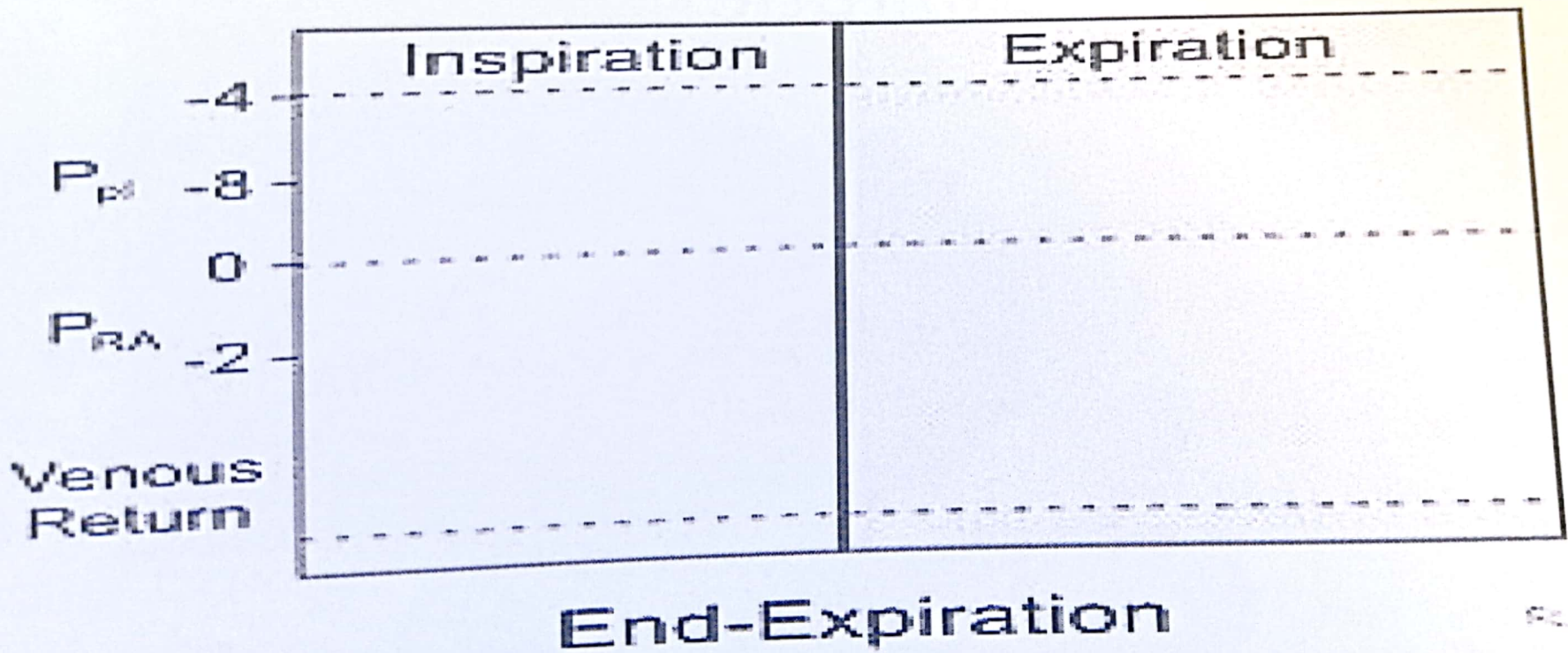
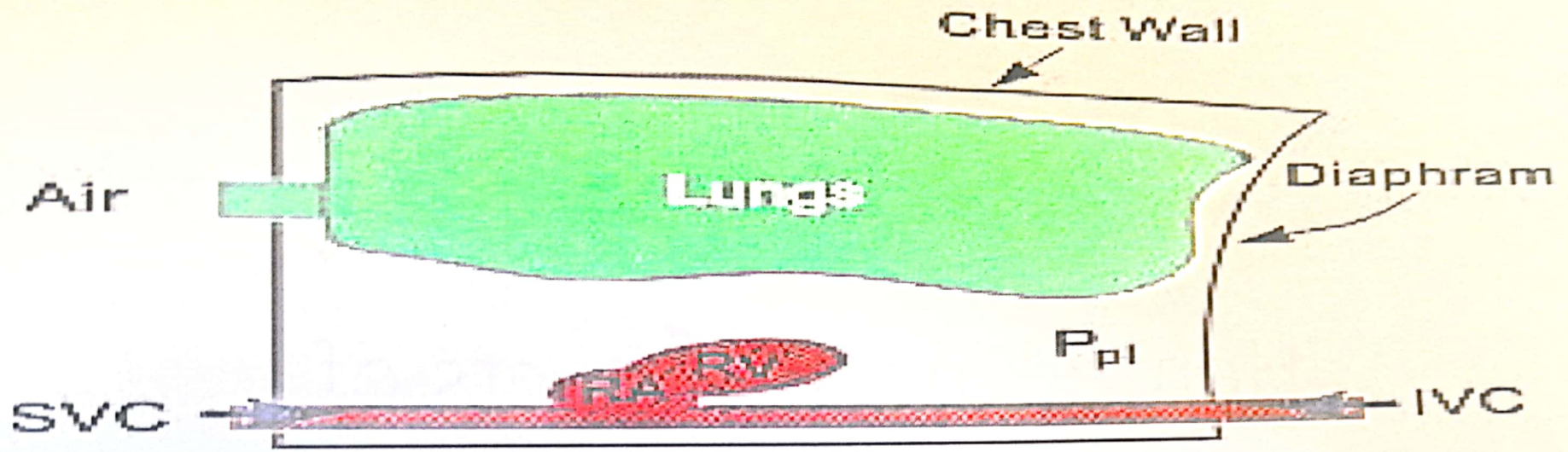
# Pulsus paradoxus :

>> Misnomer

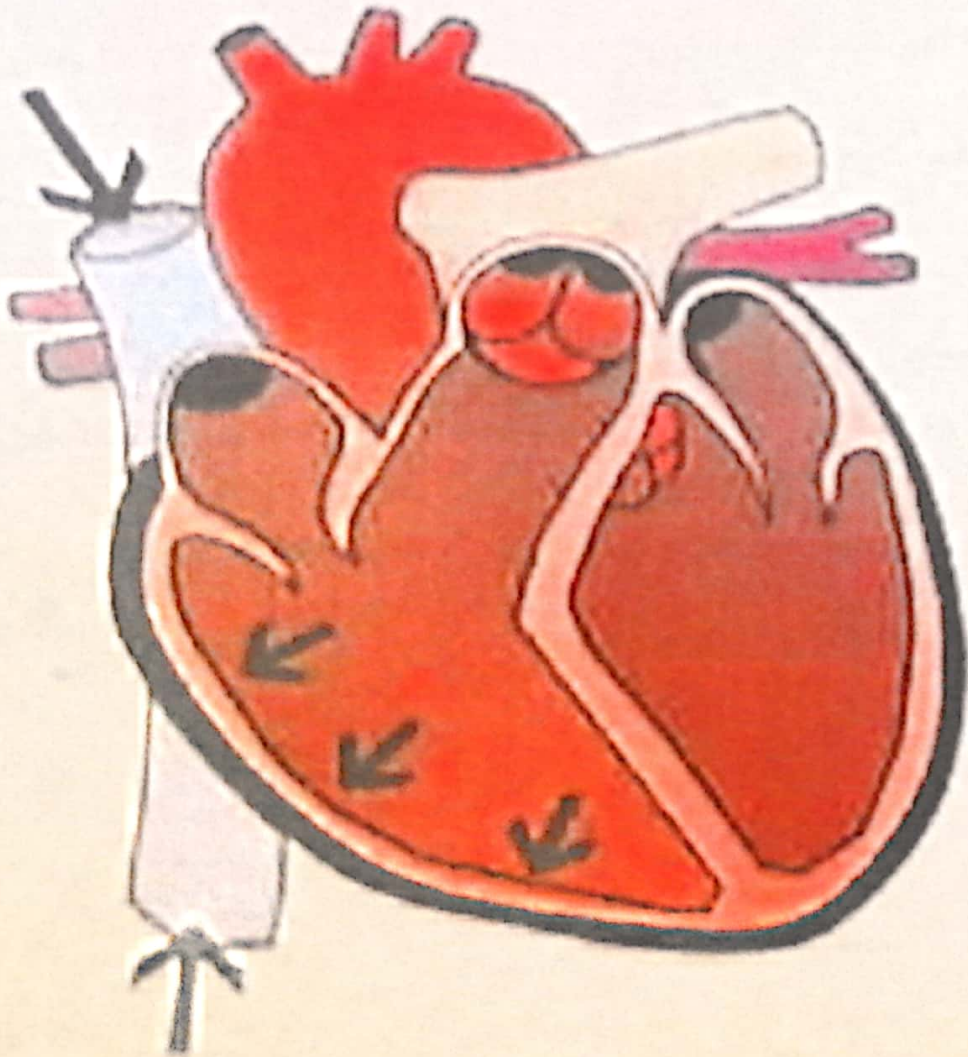
>> Exaggeration of the normal decrease of systolic blood pressure in inspiration

>> The decrease is more than 10 mmHg

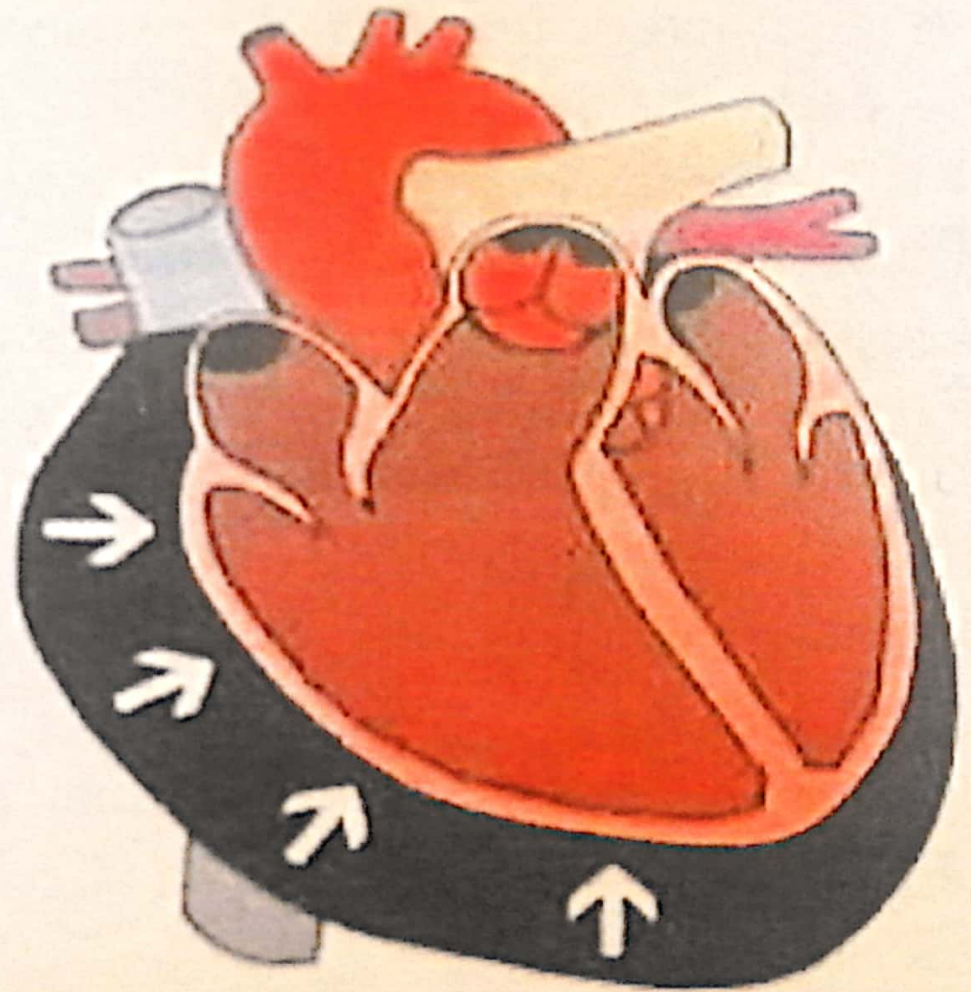
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# Healthy



# Tamponade



\* When will you see pulsus paradoxus ?

• causes :

① - Cardiac tamponade

② - Constrictive pericarditis

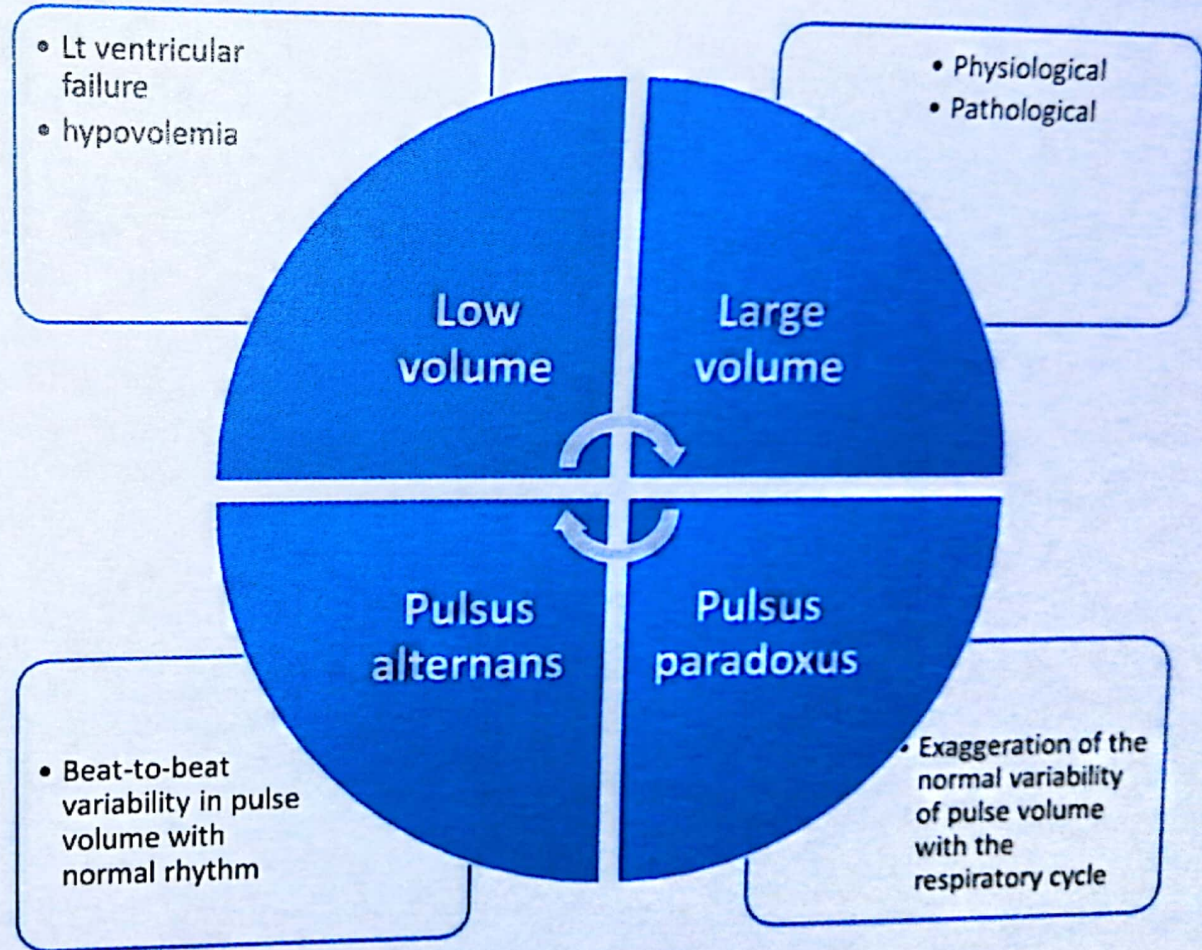
③ - Severe obstructive lung diseases

↳ In all these conditions, there is equalization of pressure in all chambers of the heart

So, this will cause exacerbation in this normal response

ملاحظات

# Abnormal volume







Pulse Examination : You should start with the radial pulse #

## Examination of the Radial pulse

1. Calculate the pulse rate for 1 minute, comment on rate, rhythm, volume, character and compressibility, feel with pads of **THREE FINGERS**.
2. AFTER ENSURING NO ARM PAIN OR LIMITATION IN MOVEMENT, Examine for collapsing pulse with the **base of fingers**, then raise the pt hand above his head
3. Palpate the radial pulse from both sides simultaneously to assess for any delay or difference in volume. *→ This could be due to occlusive arterial ds. / aortic dissection*
4. Palpate the radial and femoral pulse simultaneously looking for radiofemoral delay which we encounter it in *→*
5. Calculate the **pulse deficit** if the pulse was irregular *→*

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Volume  
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Water hammer pulse (collapsing pulse)

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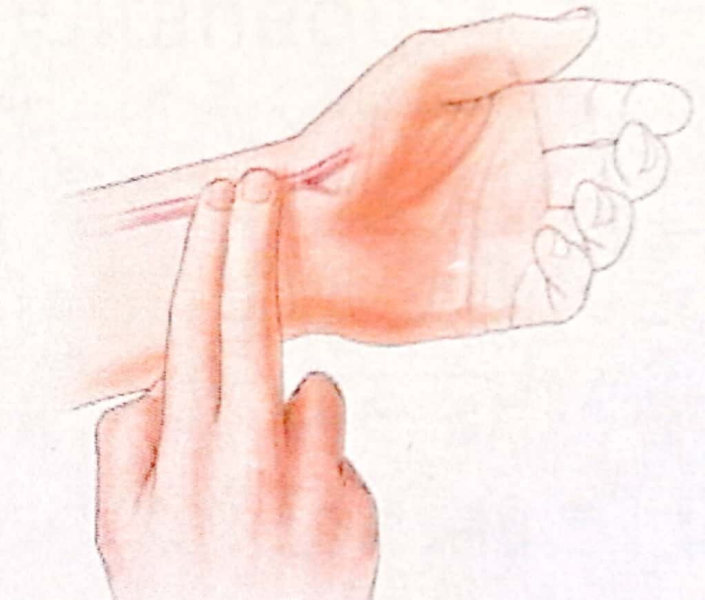
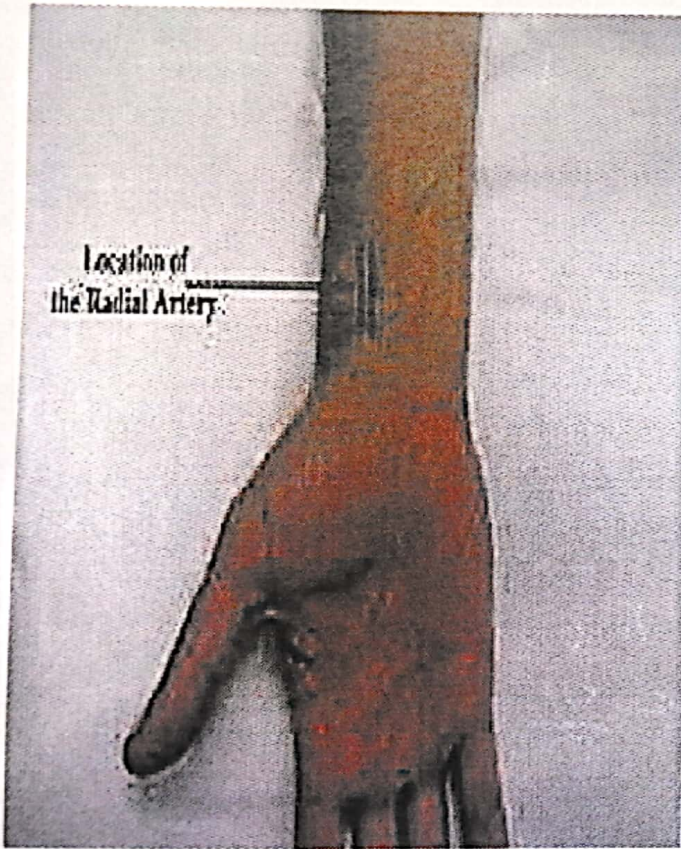
\* radial

\* It is the difference between the pulse rate that is calculated by (your fingers) & heart rate calculated by stethoscope from the apex of the heart

coarctation of aorta

⇒ Normally : difference = 10-15 beat/min *→* Pulse deficit is seen in atrial fibrillation

RADIAL PULSATION



(To check the radial pulse } Use 3 fingers

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BUT

To check the collapsing pulse } Use the base of fingers

# RADIAL BILATERAL

In artia fibr



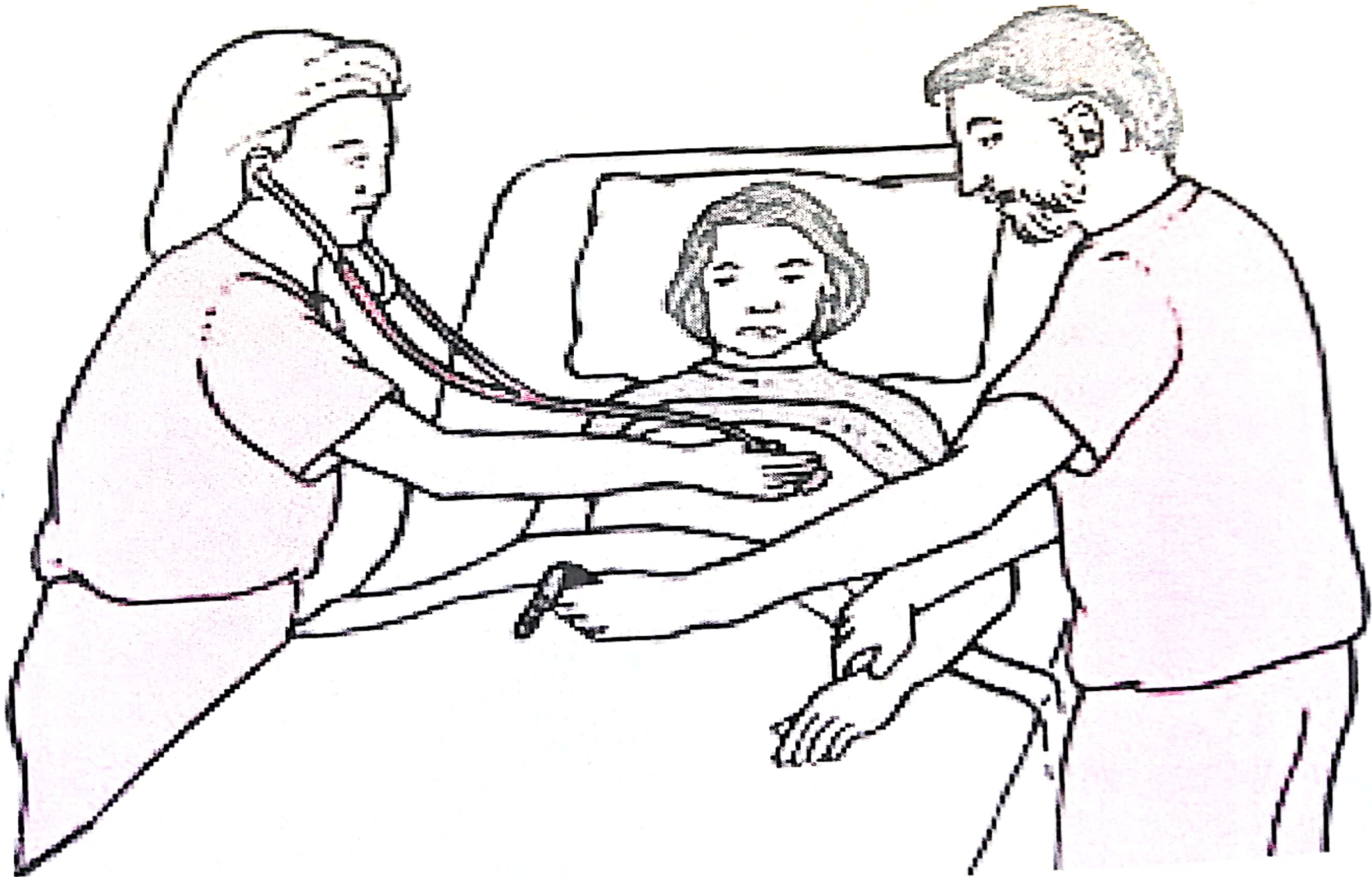
# COLLAPSING PULSE

Any shoulder pain?

\* Collapsing pulse  
(Aortic regurgitation)  
↳ or pregnancy



Pulse deficit  $\rightarrow$  Heart rate - Pulse rate



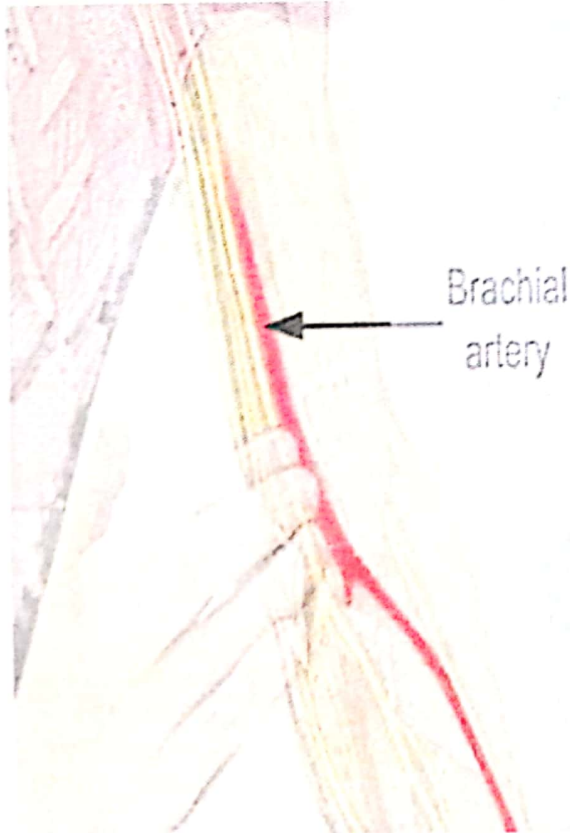
# RADIO FEMORAL DELAY





# BRACHIAL PULSE

⇒ Medial to the tendon of the biceps - in the antecubital fossa -

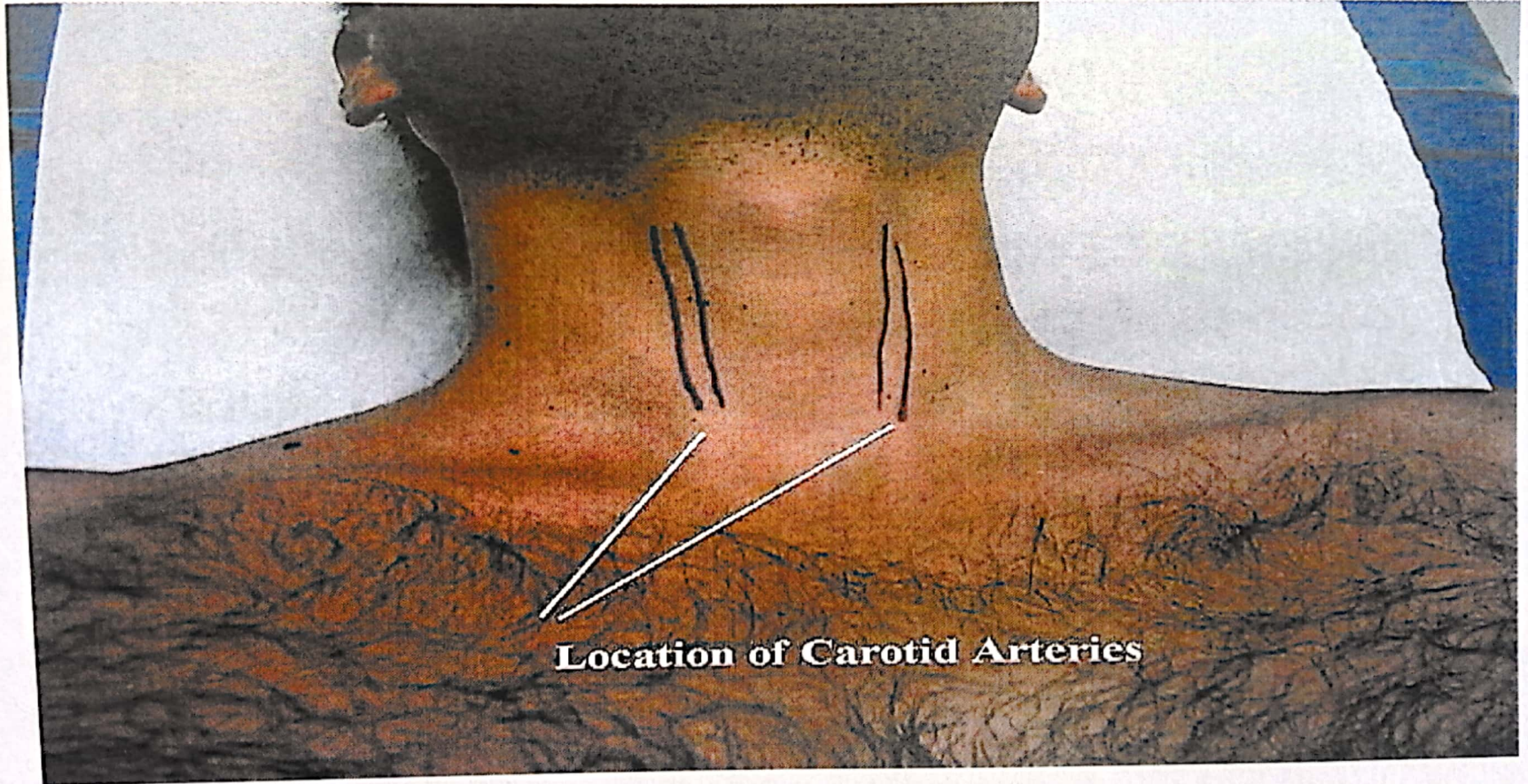


- \* It is a large artery
- ↳ you will comment only on 3
- 1 volume
- 2 character
- 3 compressibility
- No rate / rhythm

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# CAROTID PULSE

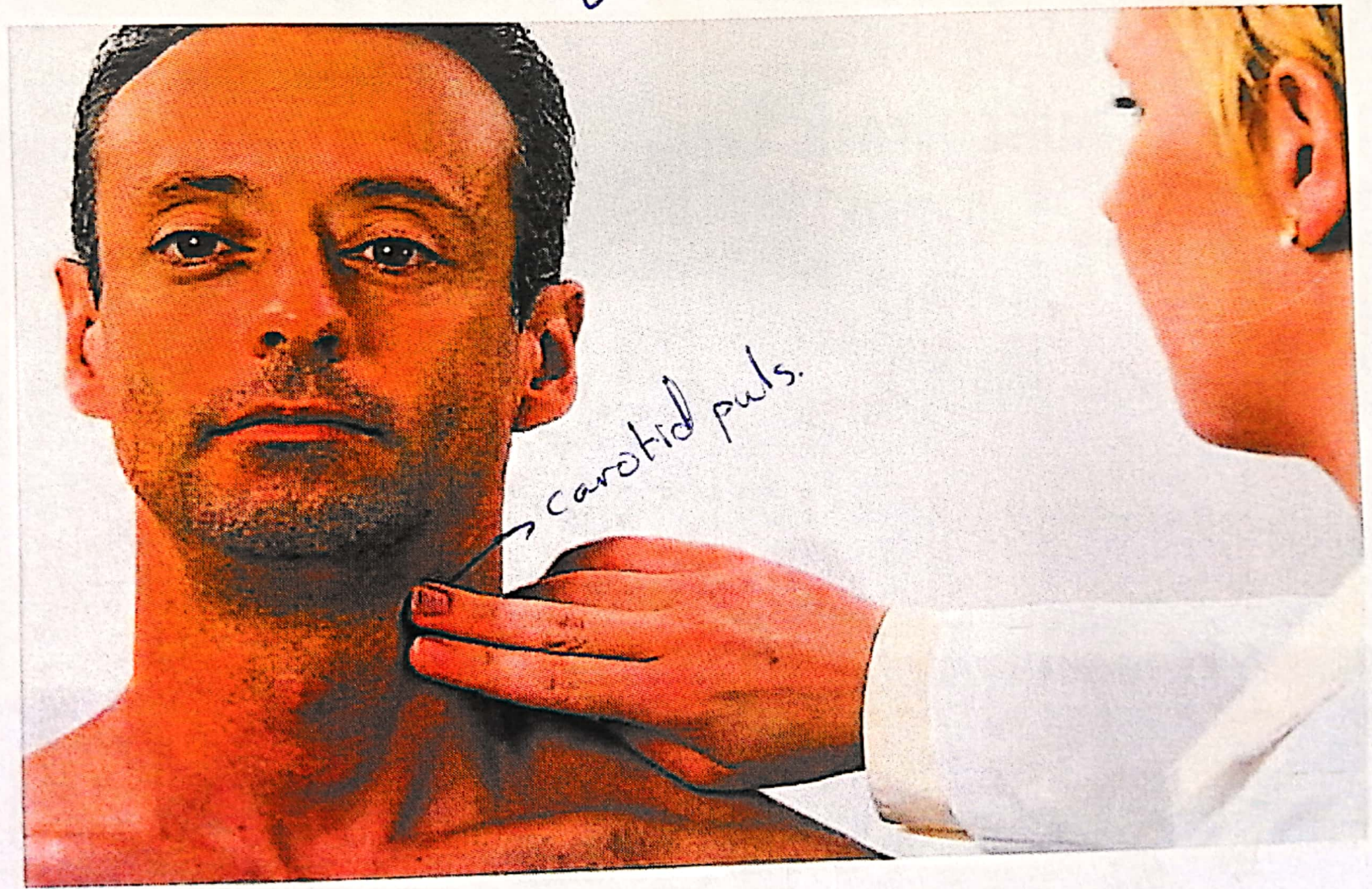
You palpate it in the angle jaw btw the larynx and the anterior border of the Sternocleidomastoid





After comment on these, you should listen by the diaphragm of the stethoscope → لازم تظلي امرين ياخذ نفس بعدين سمعي

\* Comment on volume and character



(القرف) Carotid pulse.



نقطة

• Never bilateral simultaneously  
↳ palpation of it bilaterally will stimulate the carotid sinus, so the pt. will go through bradycardia, hypotension, collapse

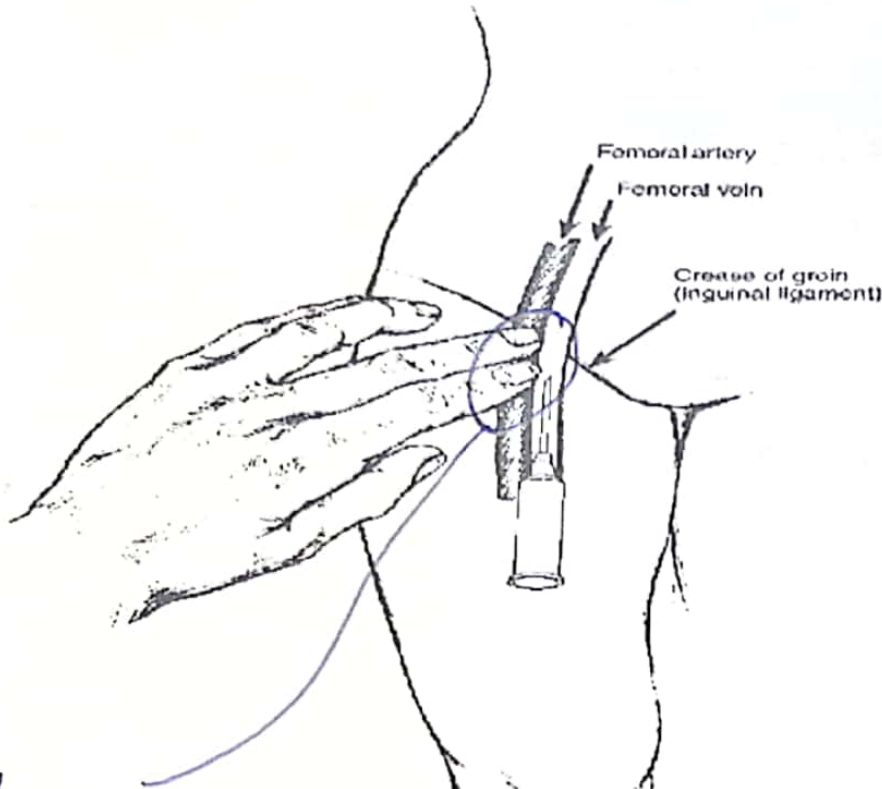
• Gently press the tip of TWO fingers between the larynx and the anterior border of the sternocleidomastoid

• Auscultate for bruits using the diaphragm with holding the breath



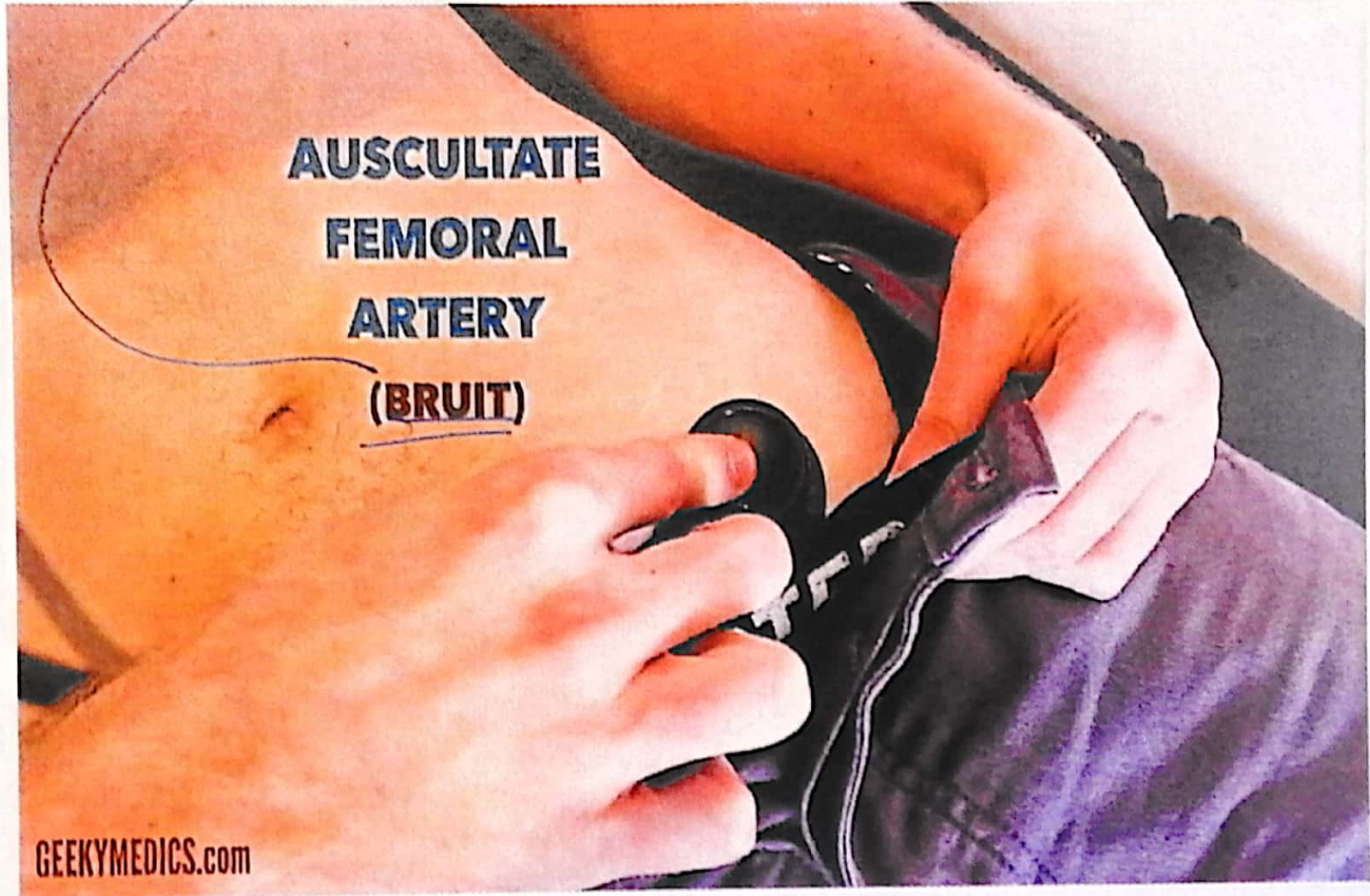
# Femoral artery

35c



Location: In the mid inguinal point which is the mid point btw the ant. sup. iliac spine and the symphysis pubis

You can see bruises in pts with peripheral arterial obs.





# Lower limb pulses

- ✓ **femoral artery**: midinguinal point
- ✓ **popliteal**: popliteal fossa
- ✓ **post tibial**: 2 cm below & posterior to medial malleolus, it passes beneath the flexor retinaculum between flexor digitorum longus & flexor hallucis longus
- ✓ **dorsalis pedis**: lateral to tendon of extensor hallucis longus, at proximal extent of groove between 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> metatarsals.



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Blood pressure

# Blood pressure

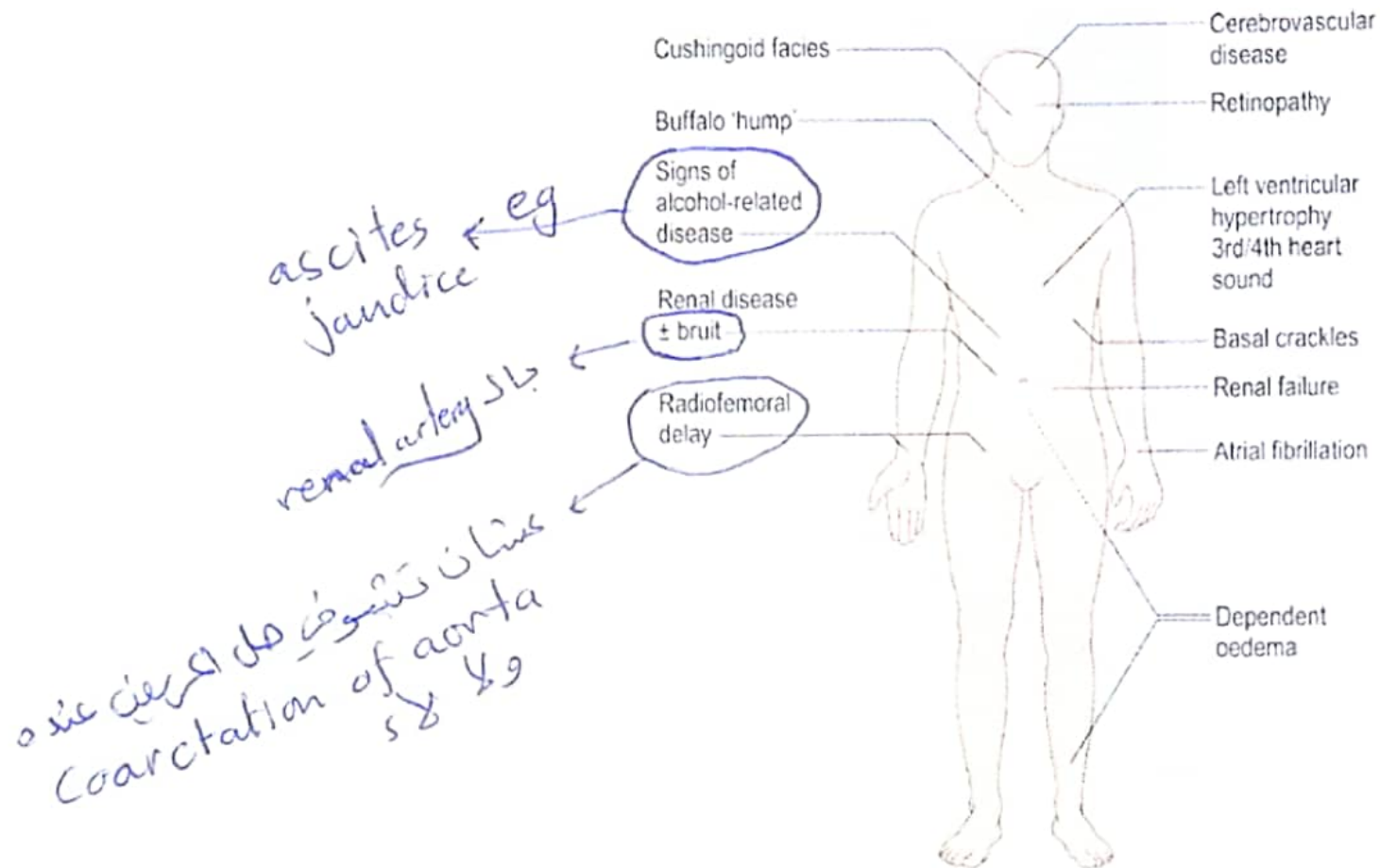
- Blood pressure (BP) is a measure of the force that the circulating blood exerts against the arterial wall
- Systolic BP is the maximal pressure that occurs during ventricular contraction (systole)
- Diastolic blood pressure is BP during ventricular filling (diastole), it is maintained by the elasticity and compliance of the vessel wall
- **Hypertension** is abnormal elevation of BP that places the patient at an increased risk for end organ damage



- Invasive vs non-invasive BP measuring
- BP is measured in mmHg and recorded as *systolic pressure/diastolic pressure*, together with where, and how the reading was taken
- 'White-coat hypertension'
- Ambulatory BP monitoring

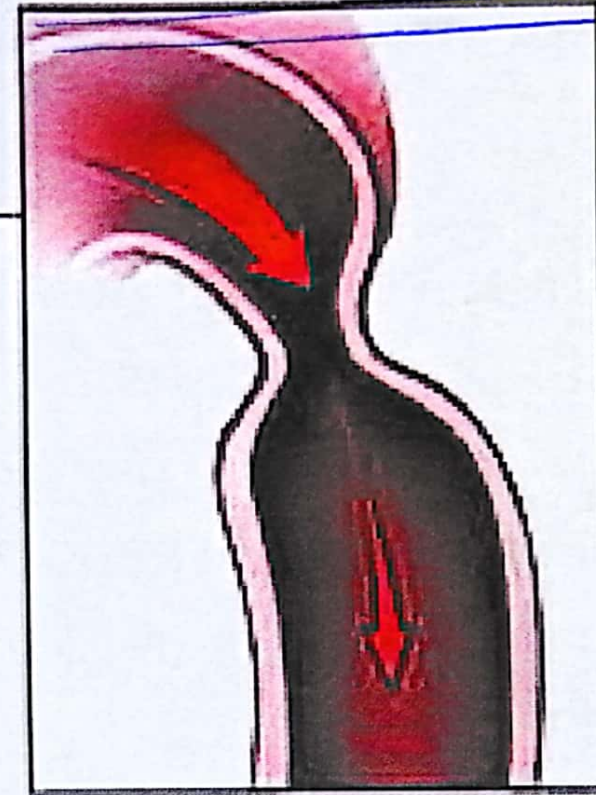
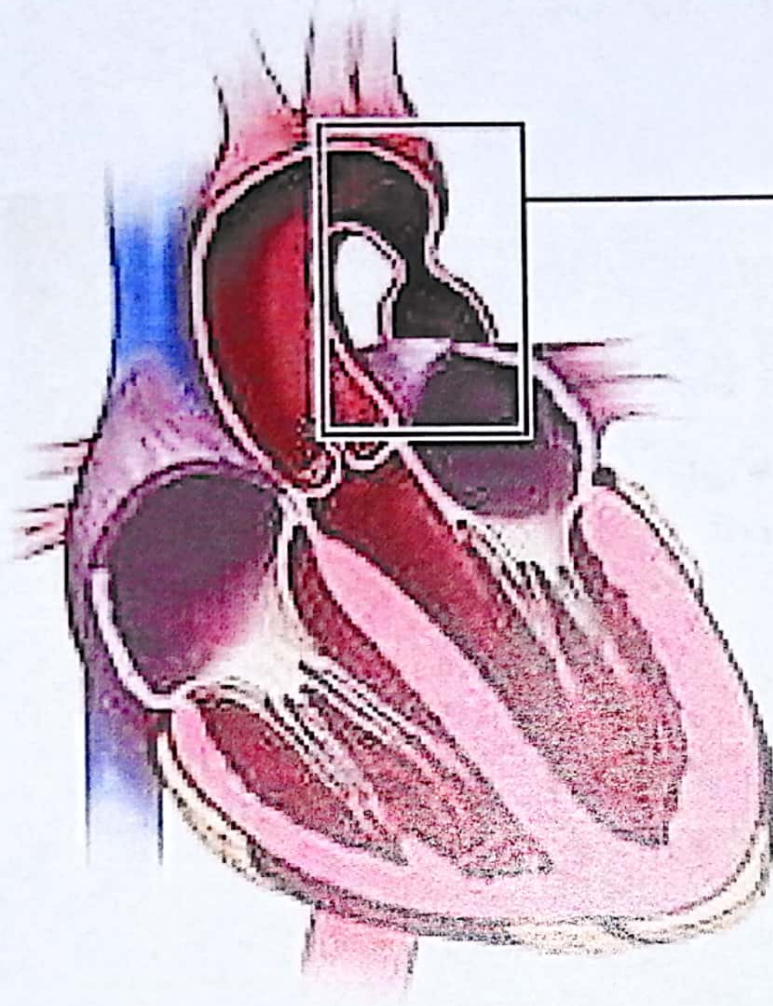
- **Essential hypertension** : in which there is no readily identifiable cause, occurs in >90% of patients with hypertension.
- **Secondary hypertension** : is rare, occurring in <1% of the hypertensive population, causes of secondary HTN include:
  - ✓ • Renal artery stenosis
  - ✓ • Conn's syndrome
  - ✓ • Cushing's disease
  - ✓ • Coarctation of the aorta ⇒ *means narrowing or constriction in a portion of the aorta.*
  - ✓ • Polycystic kidney disease
  - ✓ • pheochromocytoma

# Examination of the hypertensive patient



هاي الدرسة كلها  
 المراهق / المراهق  
 حشيت بسبب  
 او  
 High  
 blood  
 pressure.

# Coarctation of aorta



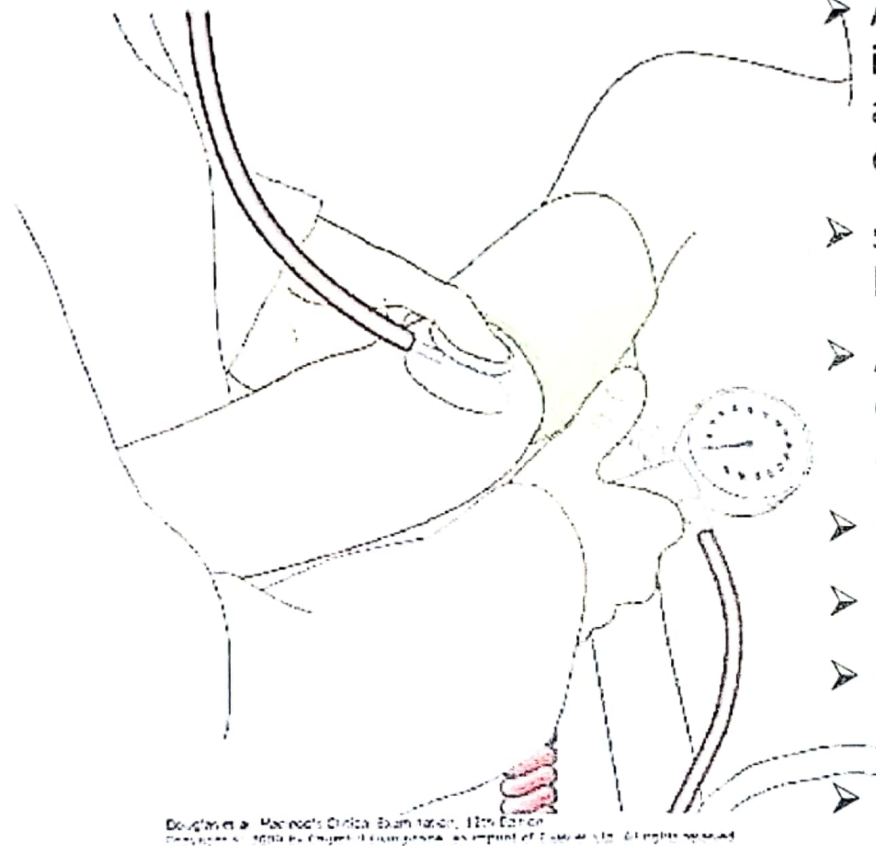
Narrowed aorta reduces blood flow to body



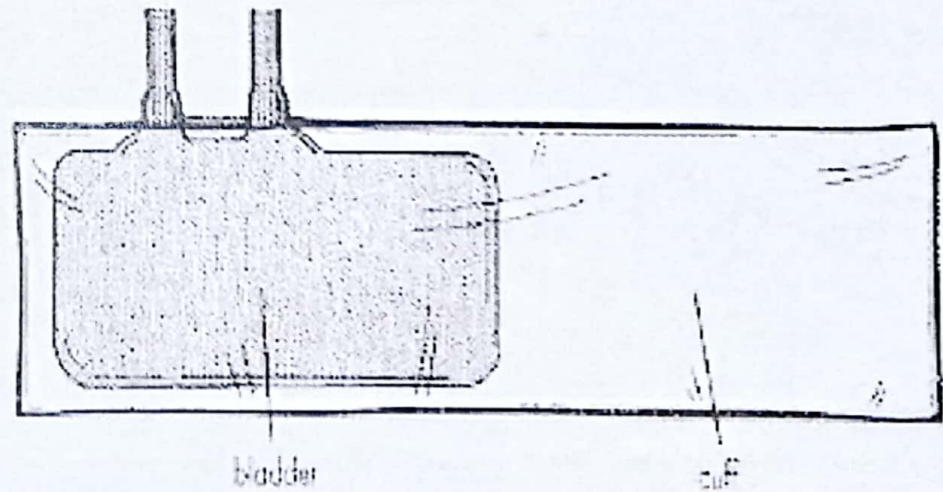
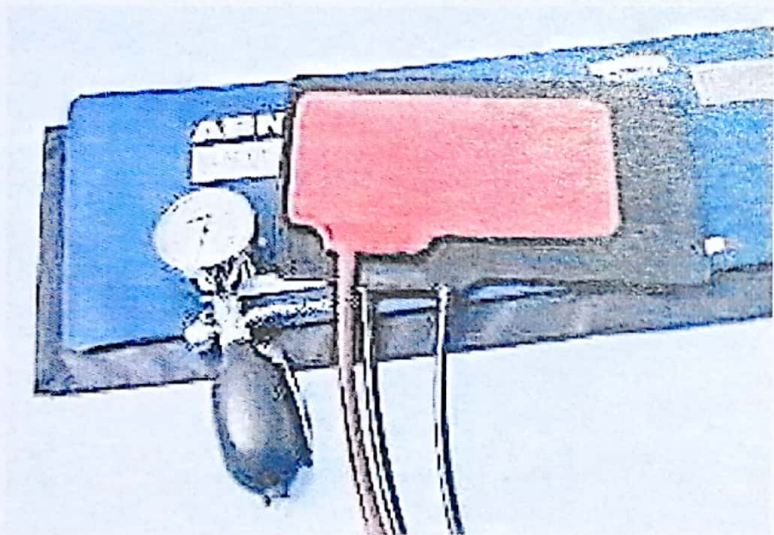
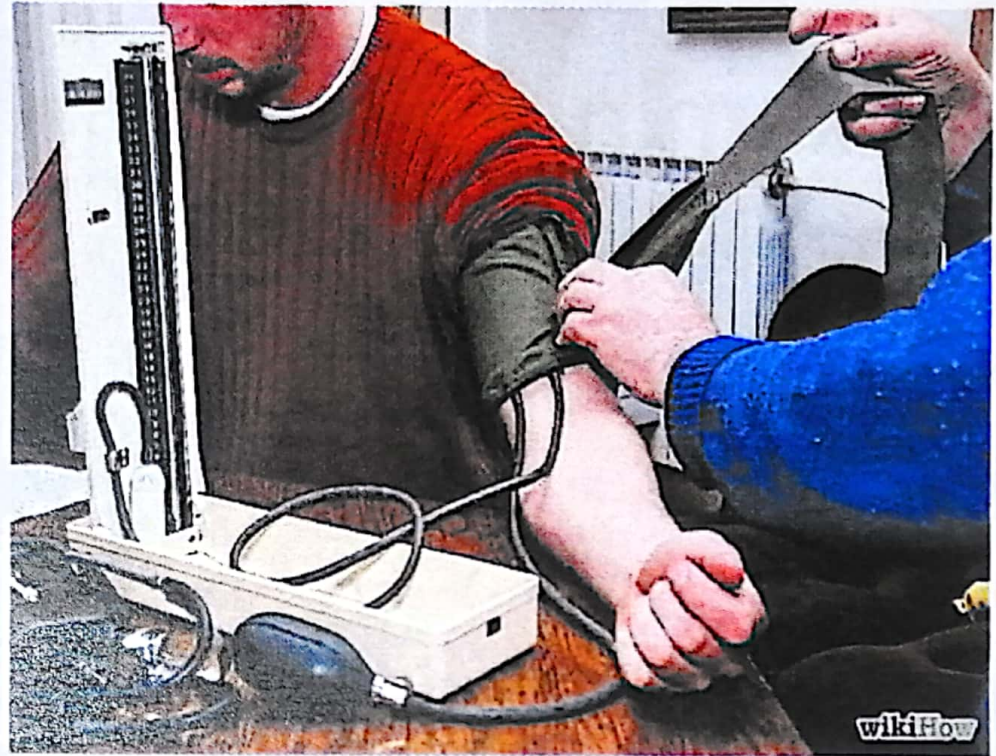
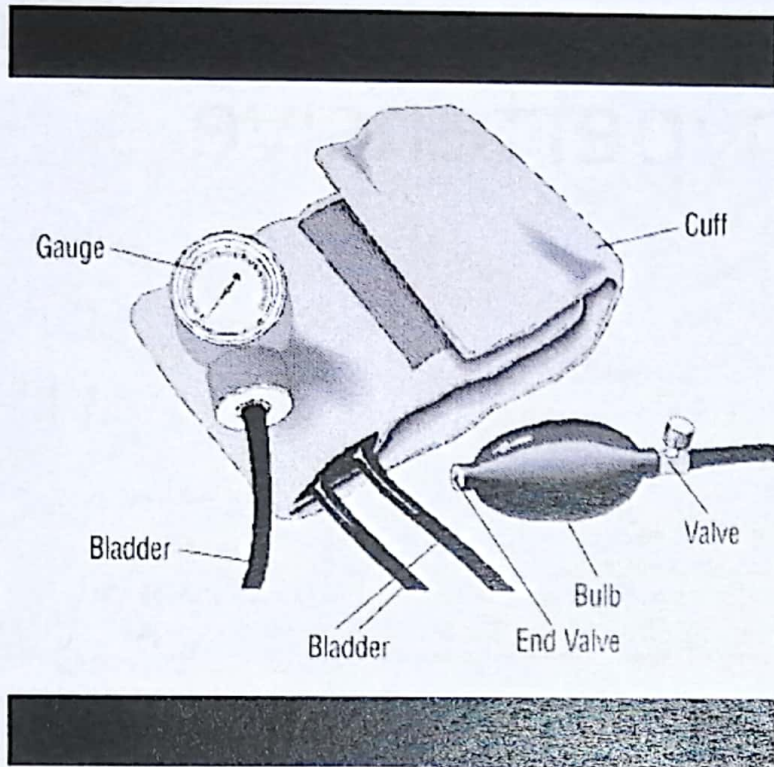
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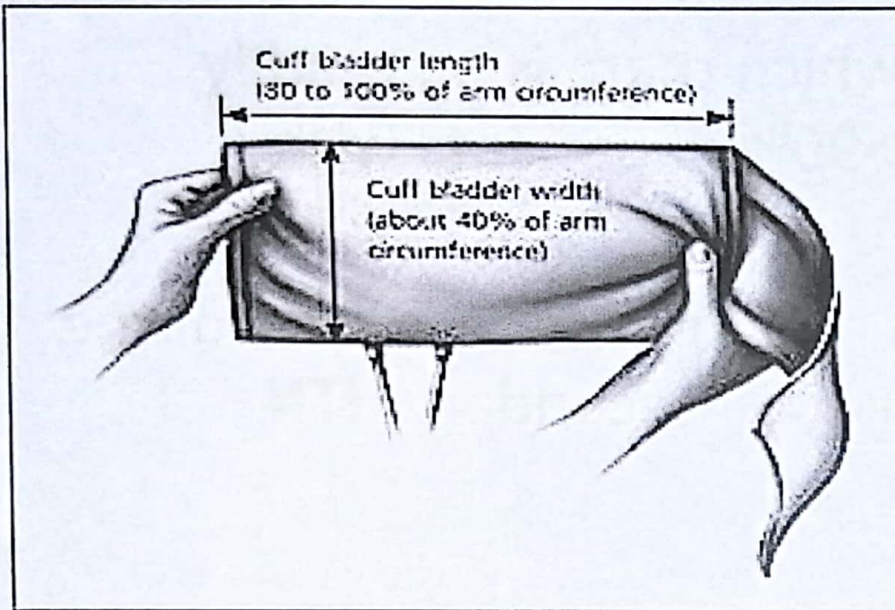
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Radio femoral delay and HTN

# Measuring blood pressure

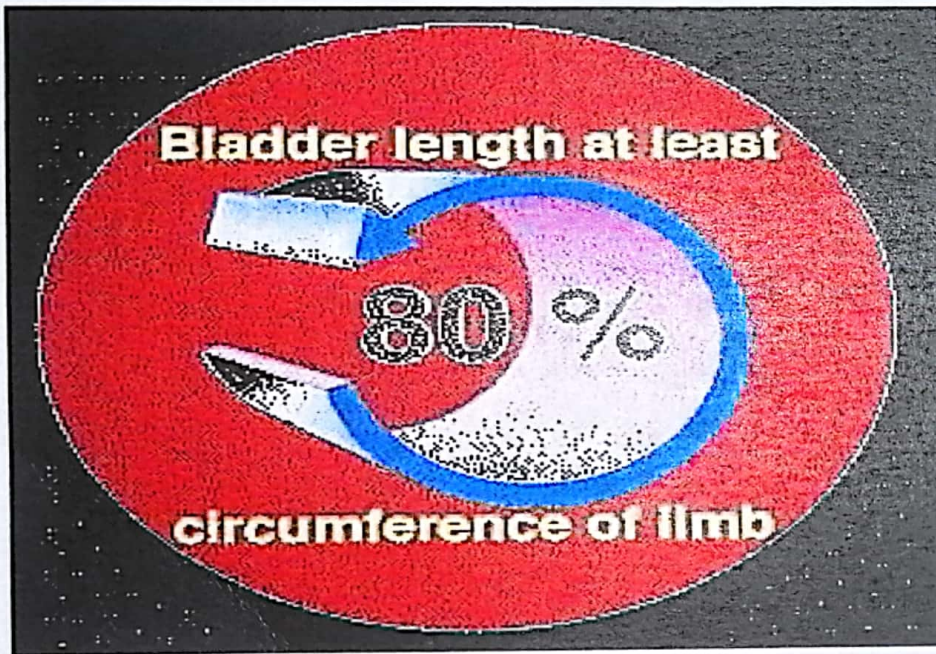
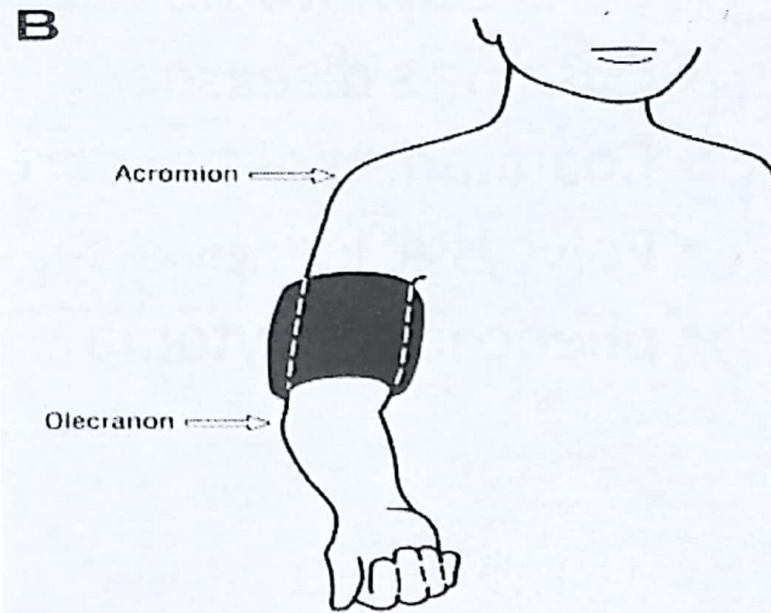
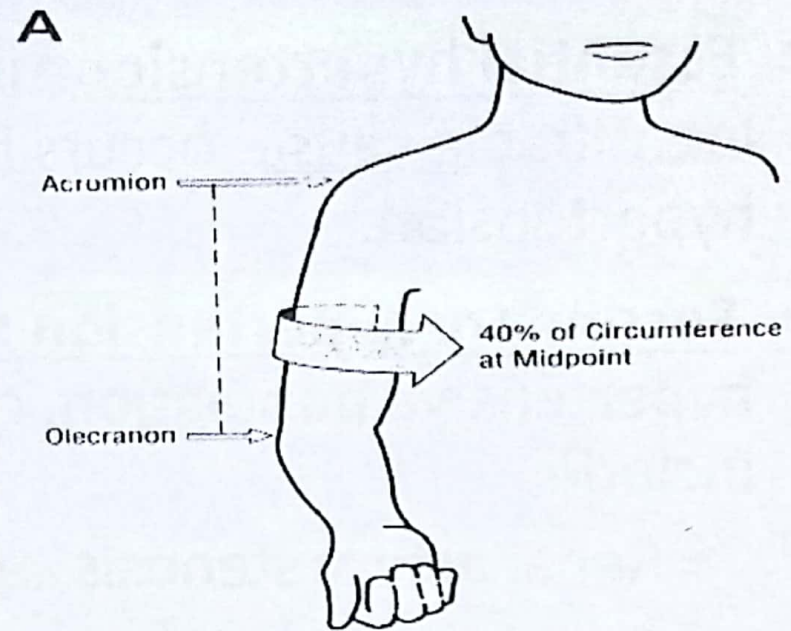


- Rest the patient for 5 minutes.
- Always measure BP **in both arms** & measure it **sitting & standing** with at least 2 min apart ..the higher reading is the closest to central aortic pressure.
- support his arm comfortably at about heart level
- Apply the cuff to the upper arm, with the centre of the bladder over the brachial artery
- Palpate the brachial pulse.
- Inflate the cuff until the pulse is impalpable
- Inflate the cuff another 30 mmHg and listen through the diaphragm of the stethoscope
- Deflate the cuff slowly (2-3 mmHg/s) until you hear a regular tapping sound (phase 1 Korotkoff sounds)
- Continue to deflate the cuff slowly until the sounds disappear.





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\* Normal BP → systolic : 120 - 135  
diastolic : 80 - 85

(أي شيء أعلى من  
140/90  
يعتبره HTN)

## Korotkoff sounds

Phase	Korotkoff sounds	Pressure
1	A thud	120 mmHg systolic
2	A blowing noise	110 mmHg
3	A softer thud	100 mmHg
4	A disappearing blowing noise	90 mmHg diastolic (1st)
5	Nothing	80 mmHg diastolic (2nd)

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\* White coat HTN → Transient elevation  
of the BP in the pt. who sees doctors only.

→ Pts who have this condition are susceptible  
to have HTN, so we should do ambulatory  
blood pressure monitoring.



# Common problems in blood pressure measurement

- BP different in each arm
- Wrong cuff size
- Auscultatory gap
- Postural hypotension
- Abnormal pulse pressure

↑ JVP  
↓ يعني  
fluid overload  
↓  
Give diuretics

منخفض

↓ JVP  
↓ يعني  
Hypovolemia  
↓  
Give fluid

من الإنتريت

~~JVP~~ indirectly measures  
pressure in Rt atrium

~~Causes of ↑ JVP :~~

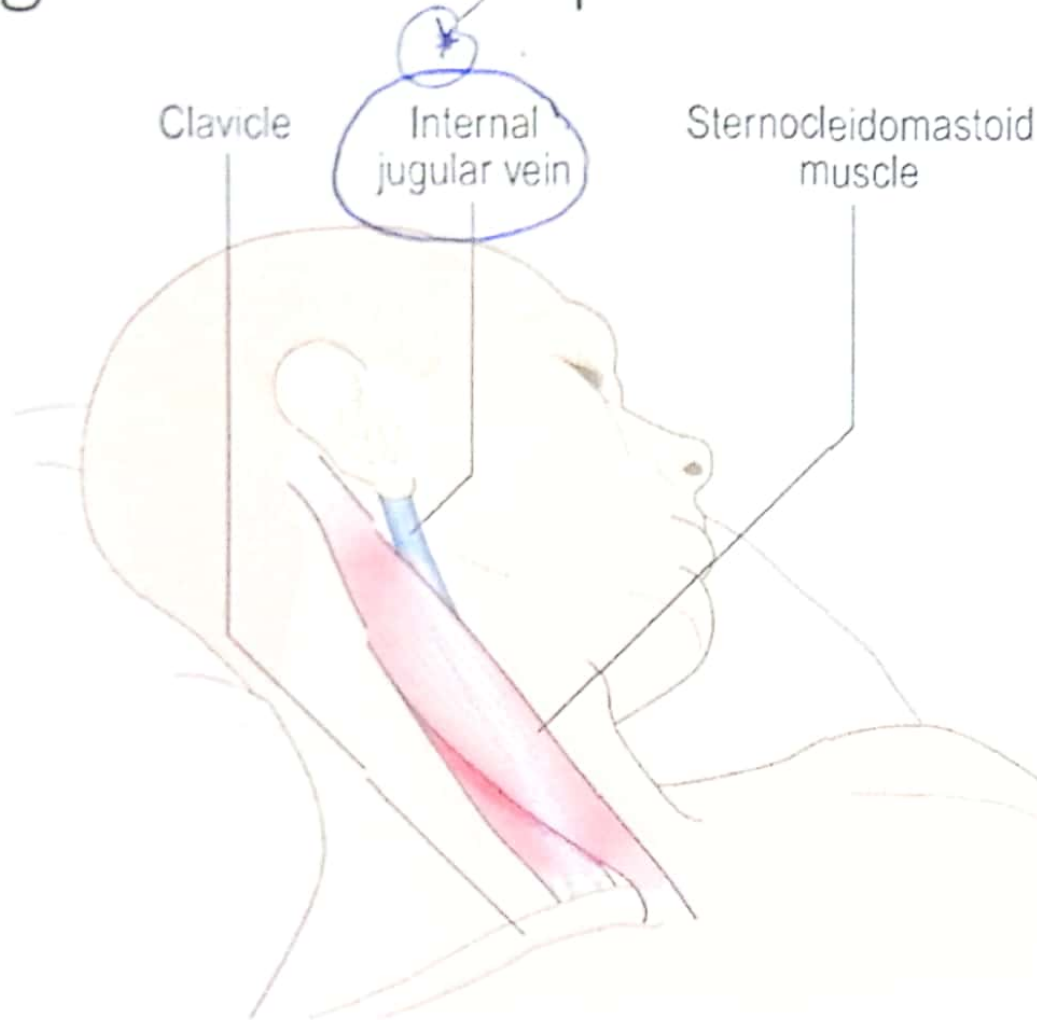
- ① HF
- ② fluid overload
- ③ constrictive pericarditis

④ Cardiac tamponade.

## Jugular venous pressure

It give us a sign of <sup>①</sup> central venous pressure & <sup>②</sup> the volume status of the pt. (when the pt. has fluid overload bcs of HF. she will have high JVP.) & when the pt. is hypovolemic he will have low JVP

# Jugular venous pressure



① Bcs it lies deep in the neck

② it has continuous course with the superior vena cava and Rt. atrium so it estimate the central venous pressure better than the external jugular vein.

③ The external jugular vein lies more superficially so it could be ~~the~~ kinked or changed according to the position of the pt.

# Anatomical landmarks of the IJV

\* وين لازم  
تطلي عن شاي  
تسوف في اد

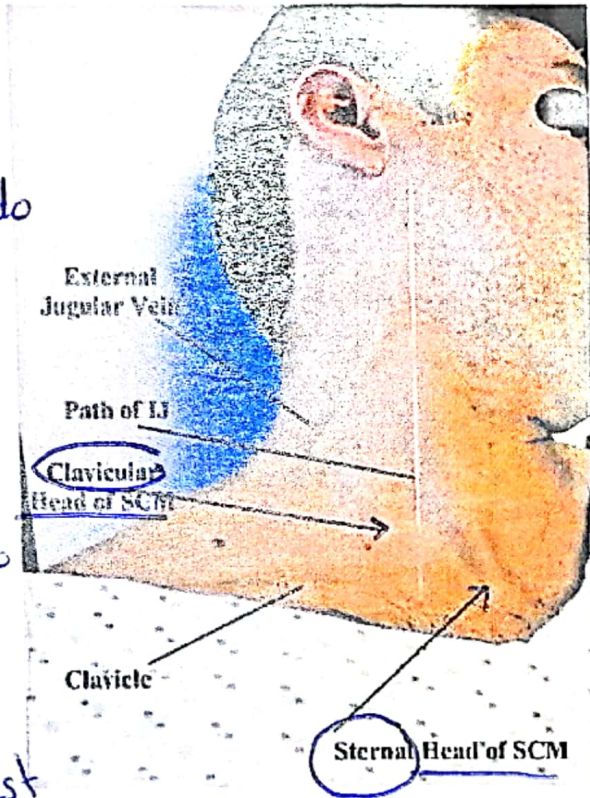
## Internal jugular vein

1 Groove btw. the  
2 head of sternocleidomastoid  
- mastoid

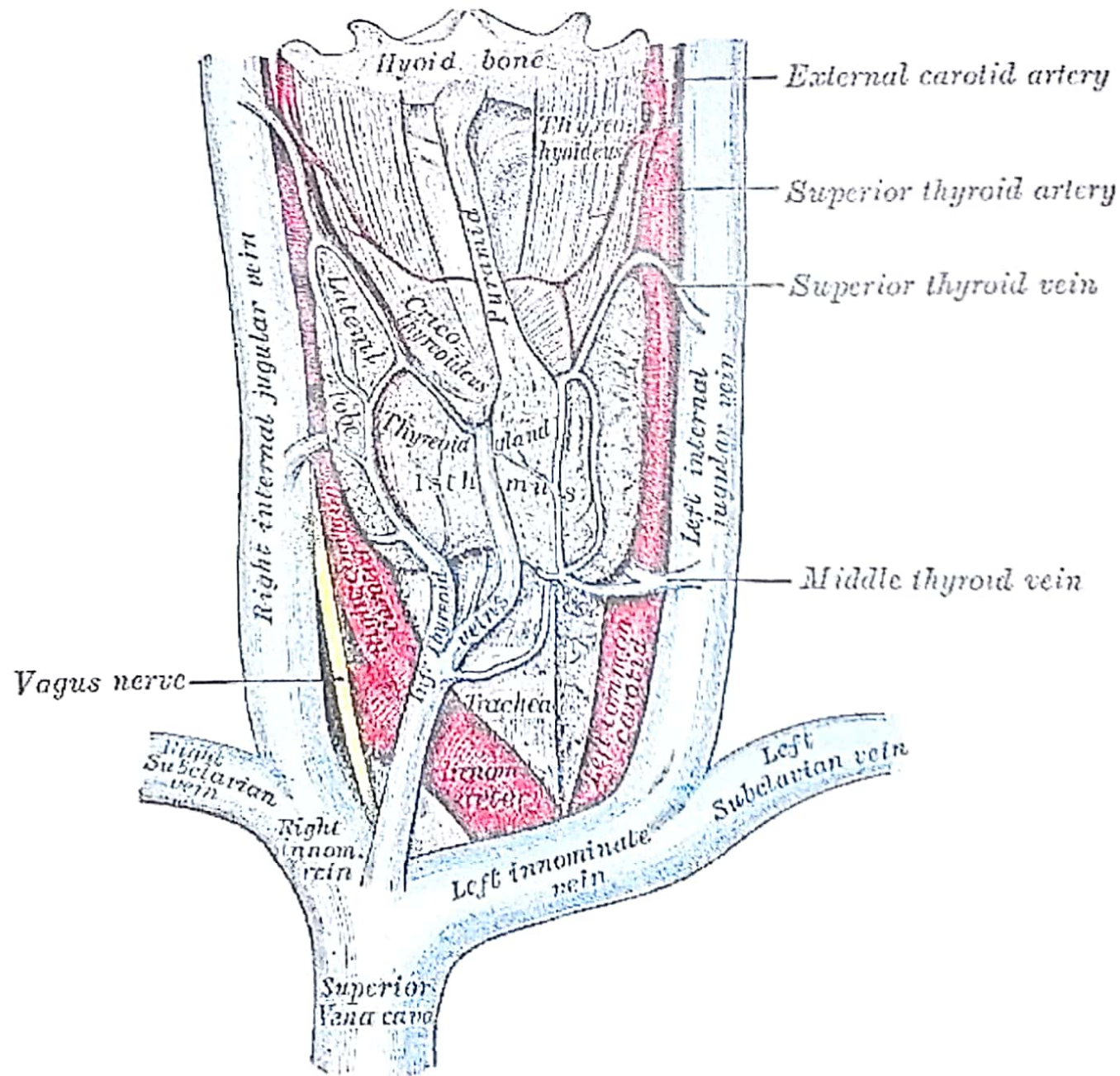
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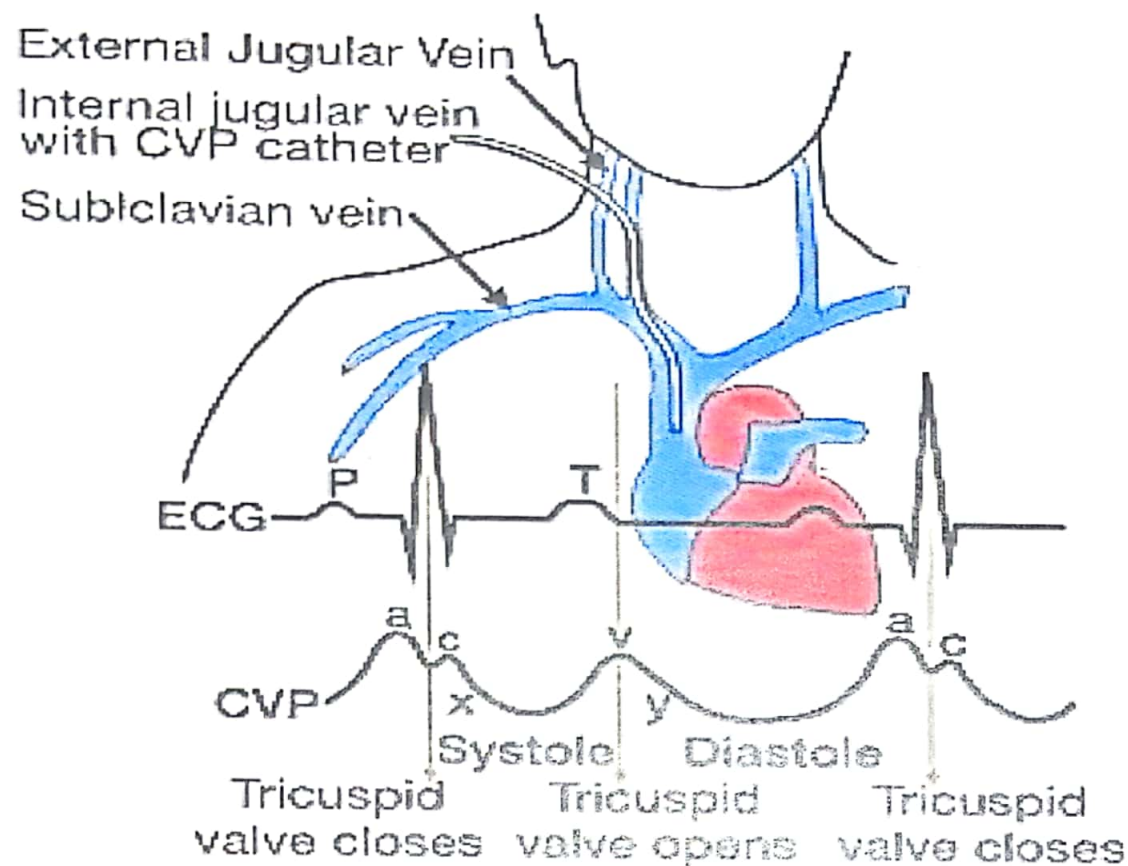
← بعد هذا في ال deep  
(behind the sternocleidomastoid  
- mastoid)

2 after the end of  
sternocleidomastoid just  
beneath air lobule.



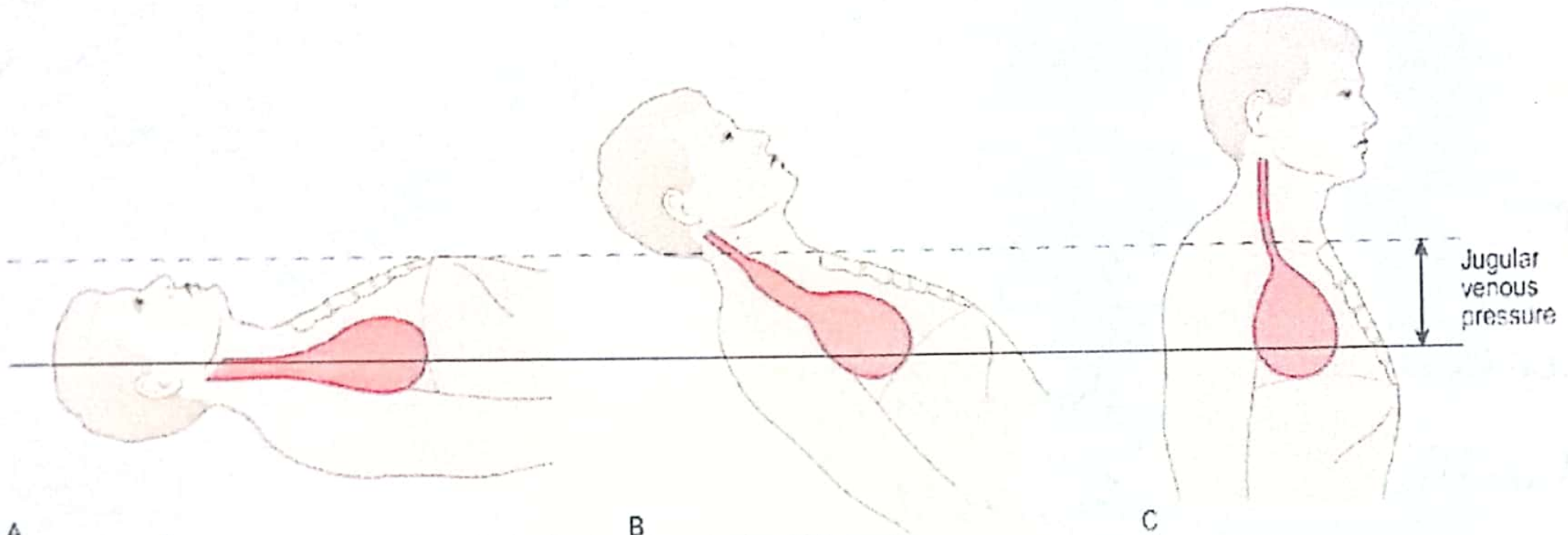
Vc





- a = peak atrial contraction (follows the P wave on ECG)
- Tricuspid valve closes, causing dicrotic notch
- c = RV contraction, bulging the TC valve into the atria
- x descent = atrial pressure declines during atrial relaxation
- v = passive atrial filling, against a closed tricuspid valve
- Tricuspid valve opens
- y descent = passive blood flow from RA to RV
- a = peak atrial contraction

# JVP



A

B

C

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*estimates*  
\* **JVP** = Central venous pressure = Rt atrial pressure

\* JVP is normally less than 7 mmHg/ 9 cm H<sub>2</sub>O

\* The sternal angle is 5 cm above the right atrium so the normal JVP should be no more than 4 cm above this angle when the patient lies at 45°

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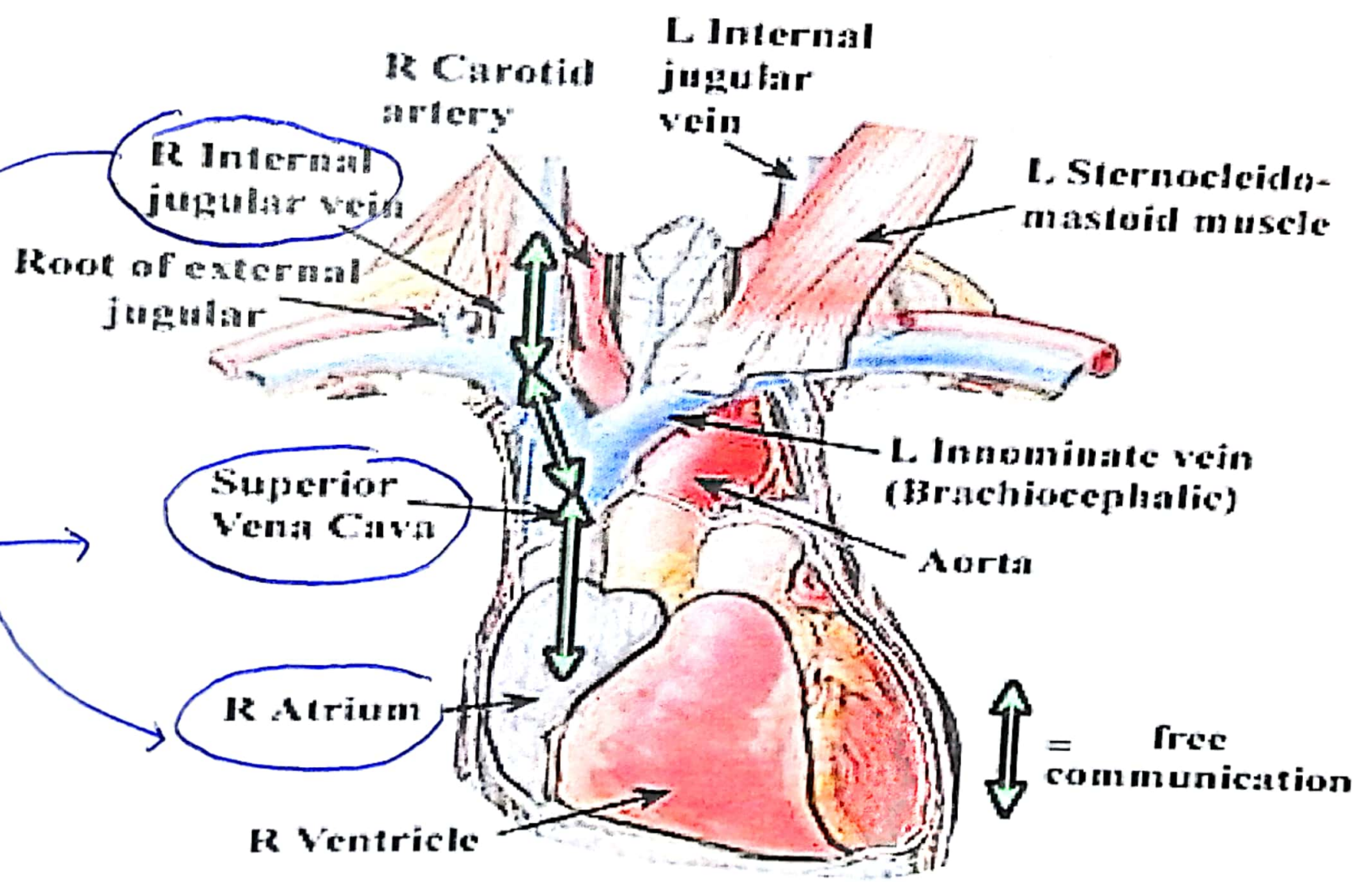


Figure 1. The right internal jugular vein as an extension of the right side of the heart



## \* JVP examination

- ① exposure of the pt. above the waist
- ② The pt. should be in a 45° degree. \* Note that the position can affect the JVP very easily

③ Good light should be available.

④ Look to the neck then search for visible pulsation

⑤ When you see the pulsation  
→ you should confirm if it is JVP or it is a carotid pulse

→ Inspection  
then palpation  
then make pressure  
then notice changes w/ inspiration  
then ask the pt. to change his position  
then make abdominal pressure then notice the abdominal jugular reflex.



\* Normal JVP is less than 9 cm  
 - (The pt. doesn't have overload or low volume status)

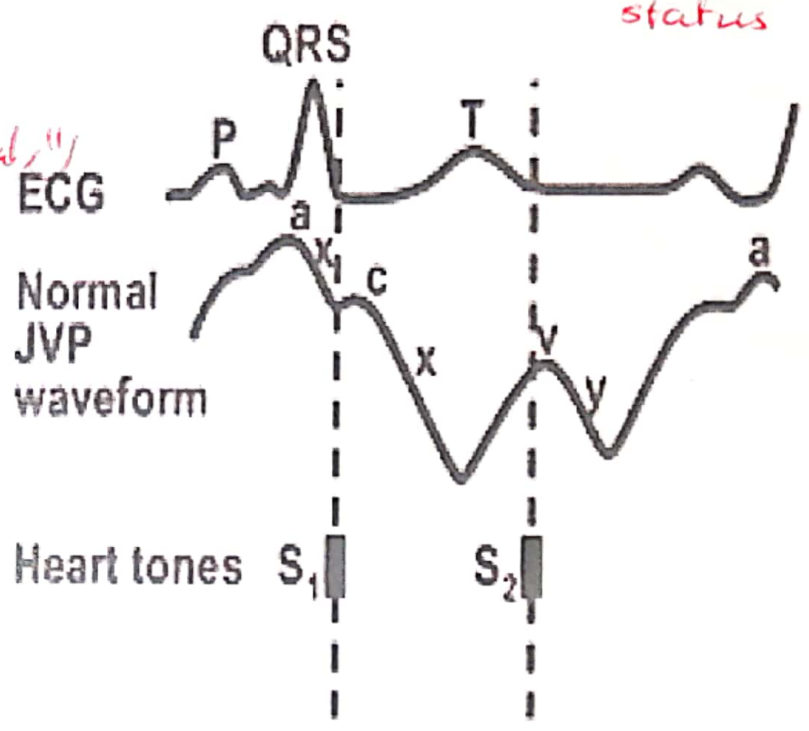
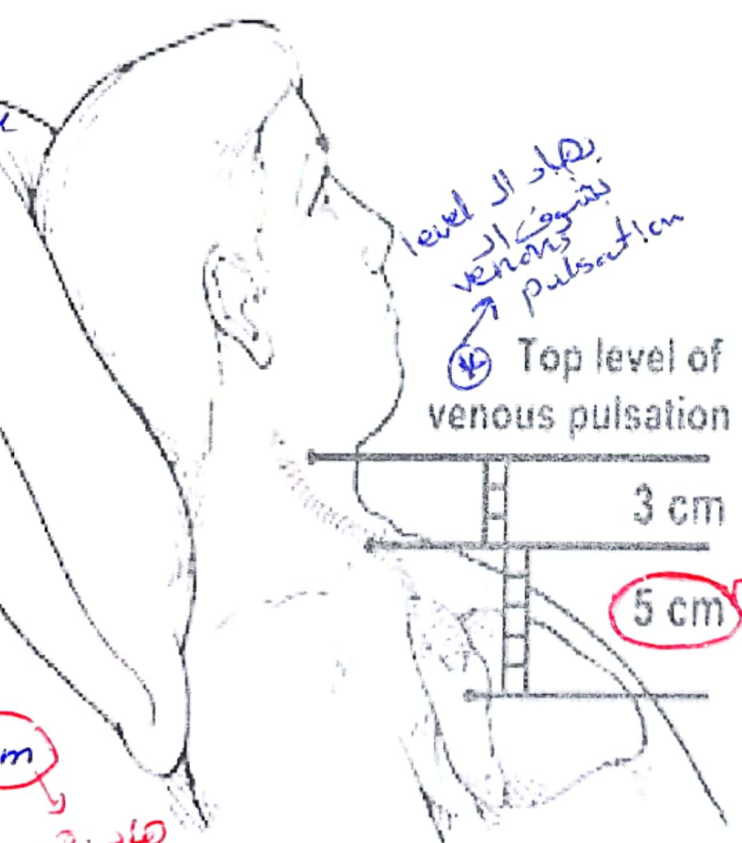
سوتشوني ال  
 pulsation in  
 the neck  
 يتحلى مسطرة  
 افقية ويتعنى  
 المسافة بين هاد ال  
 pulsation و ال  
 sternal angle.

← باللك هاي المسافة  
 خلعت 3cm  
 ← هال لازم نصف  
 5cm على المسافة  
 الاولي بي خلعت معا  
 عشان نعرف ال  
 JVP.

= JVP = 3cm + 5cm  
 = 8cm H<sub>2</sub>O  
 هاد رقم  
 ثابت دايما  
 بصفة

3 cm (from sternal notch)  
 + 5 cm (from right ventricle to sternal notch)

8 cm H<sub>2</sub>O jugular venous pressure normal



This is the pressure that found  
 btw the sternal angle and Rt. atrium

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كيفية تمييزه من خلال  
 \* Carotid pulsation or Jugular venous pulsation



### 6.23 Differences between carotid artery and jugular venous pulsation

Inspection  
 1  
 2  
 Palpation 3  
 4  
 Make pressure then see  
 5  
 6  
 7

Carotid artery	Jugular vein
Rapid <u>outward</u> movement	Rapid <u>inward</u> movement
One peak per heart beat	Two peaks per heart beat (in sinus rhythm)
Palpable	Impalpable
Pulsation <u>unaffected</u> by pressure at the root of the neck	Pulsation <u>diminished</u> by pressure at the root of the neck
Independent of respiration	Height of pulsation varies with respiration (it decreases w/ inspiration)
Independent of position of patient	Varies with position of patient * It increases when the pt. is lying down * it decreases " " " " standing
Independent of abdominal pressure	Rises with abdominal pressure * when you make a pressure over the

liver (in the Rt. upper quadrant of the abdomen) you will notice a rise in JVP.

\* Note that we examine the Rt jugular vein.  
bc we want to assess the pressure in the Rt atrium.

## JVP

### • EXAMINATION SEQUENCE:

- 1) Position the patient starting at 45°
- 2) Rest the patient head on a pillow
- 3) Head slightly tilted to the left & look to the Rt
- 4) Identify the wavy pulsations:
  - a) Diffuse Inward movement
  - b) Two waves per pulse
- 5) By palpation:
  - a) Impalpable
  - b) Disappears with compression at root of neck
  - c) Rises with abdominal pressure
- 6) Special maneuvers:
  - a) Varies with respiration
  - b) Varies with patient position
- 7) Measure height of JVP: *the JVP is the vertical height in centimeters between the top of venous pulsation and the sternal angle (+5cm water)*

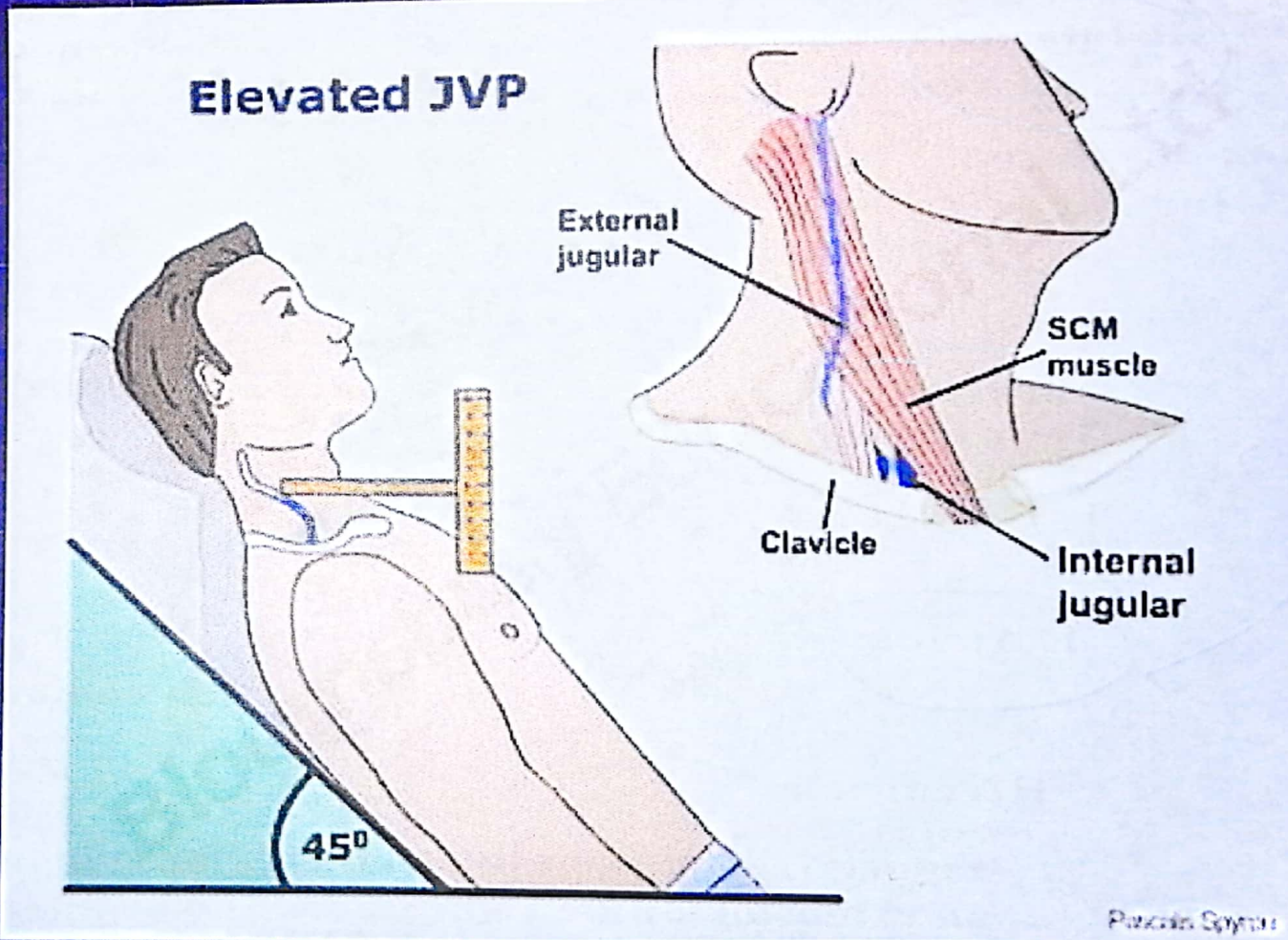
\* normally is less than 9cm water



# Elevated JVP

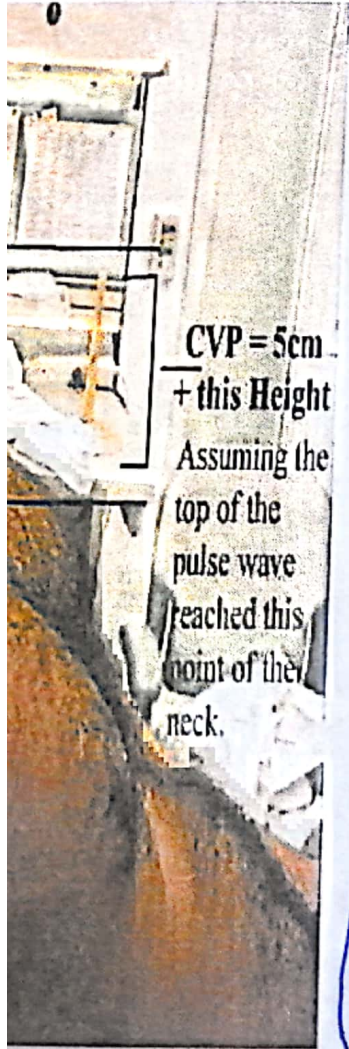
## Elevated JVP

- Fluid overload
- The single most important sign of fluid overload
- In HF, rt ventricular dilatation ( acute PE & COPD
- SVC obstruction :
- nonpalstatile & it no longer reflects rt atrial pressure , abdominojugular reflex : negative



rum.

More than 9cm H<sub>2</sub>O



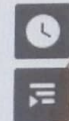
قطع ال JVP صب  
 رطاد الى رتفة  
 عند الريفين يلى  
 SVC obstruction



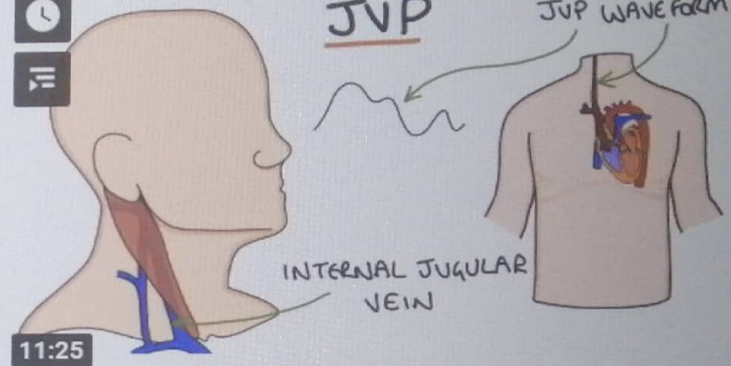
# Understanding Jugular Venous Pressure (JVP)

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Zero To Finals



11:25



Useful video

It can be helpful in assessing the function of the ...JVP This video contains a detailed and simplified explanation of what the  
 the first part of the descent the C ... p waveform and then the three parts of the jvp waveform Next let's talk about the 3:36

# \* JVP waveform

Two peaks per cycle

## JVP waveform

**'a' wave:** Rt atrial contraction, just before s1

**'v' wave:** atrial filling during ventricular systole (tricuspid valve is closed) = peak pressure in rt atrium immediately before opening of tricuspid .

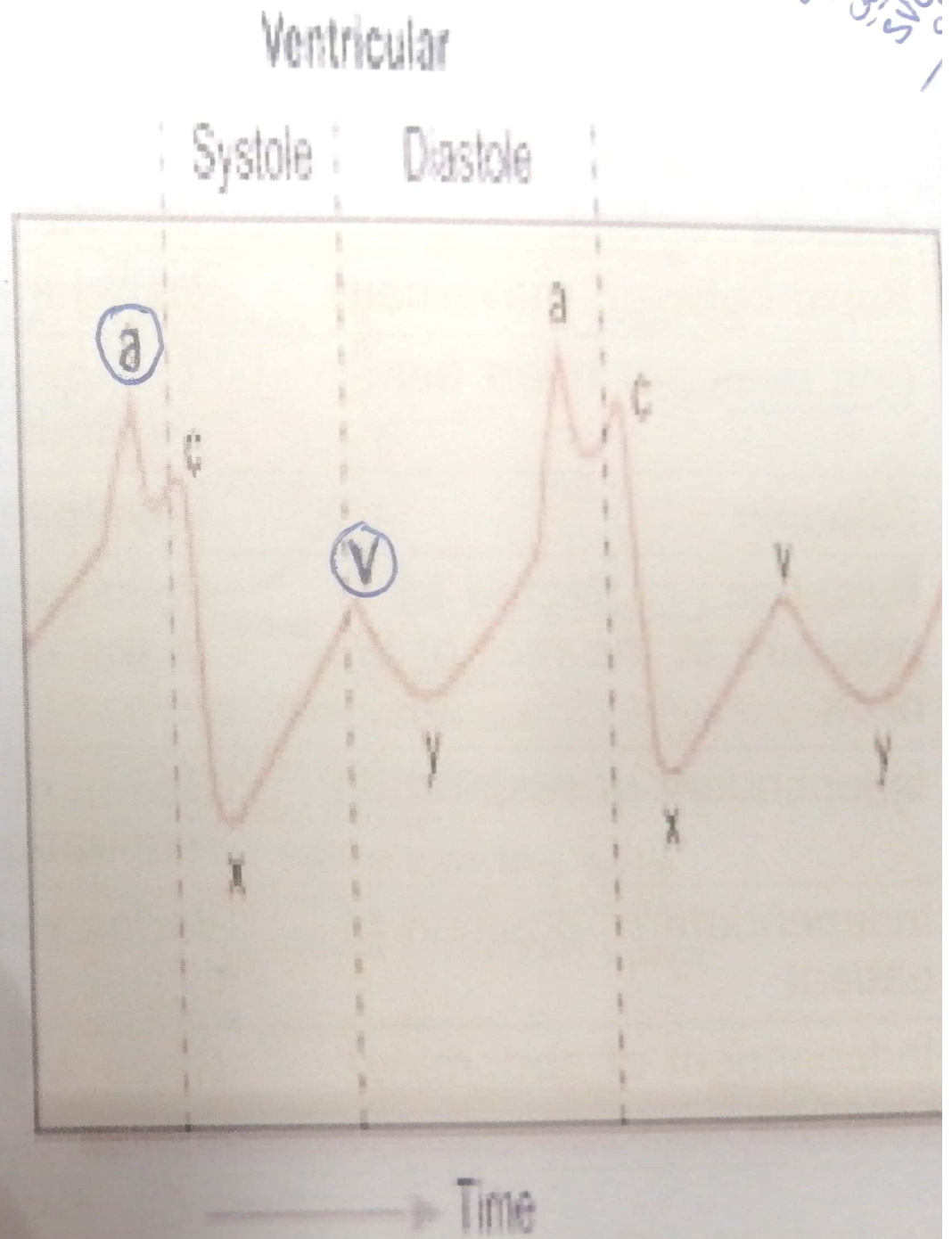
**'c' wave:** rare 3<sup>rd</sup> peak :closure of the tricuspid valve

**A-x descent:** downward displacement of the tricuspid ring during systole

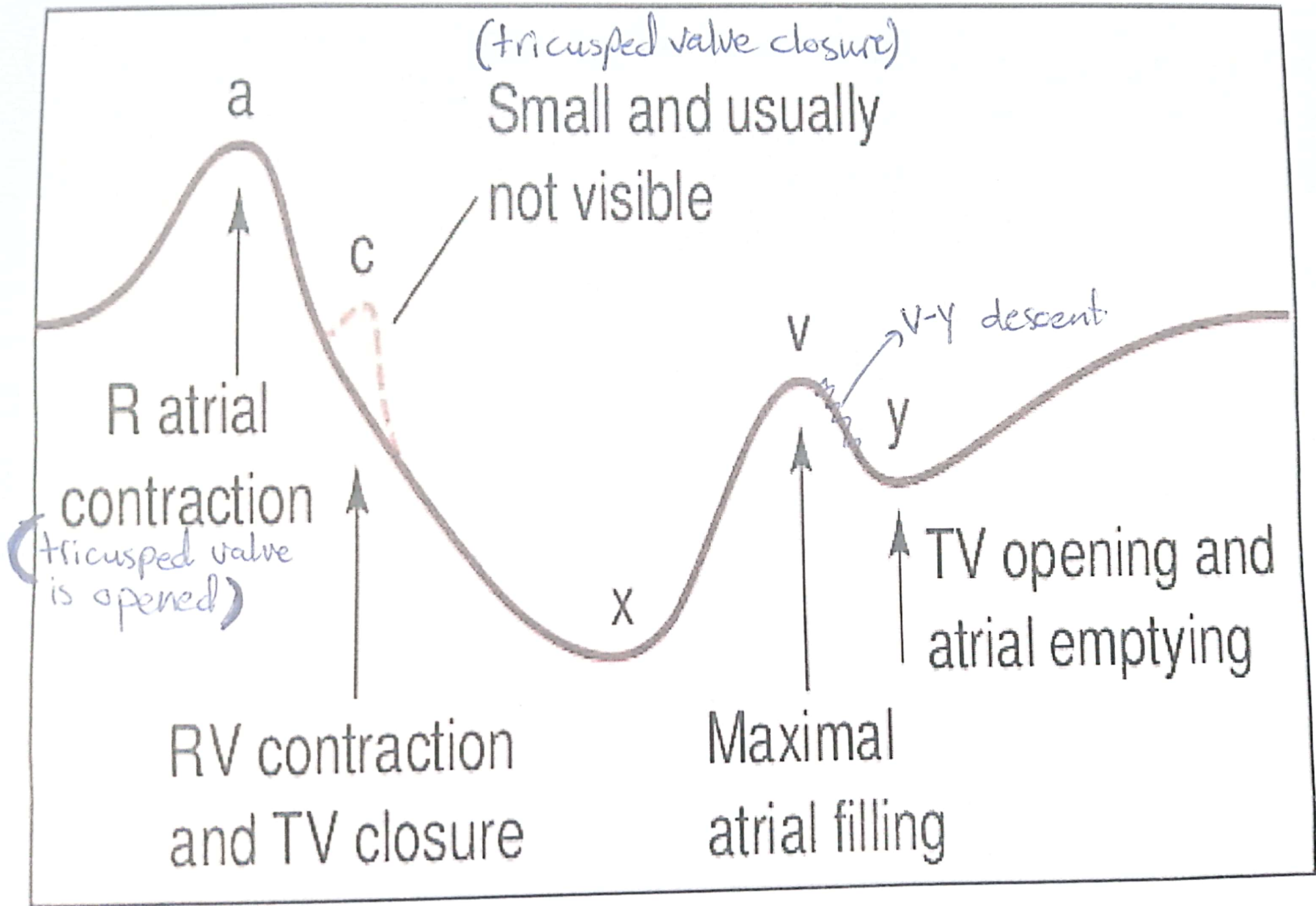
**V-y descent:** at commencement of ventricular filling

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Jugular pulse

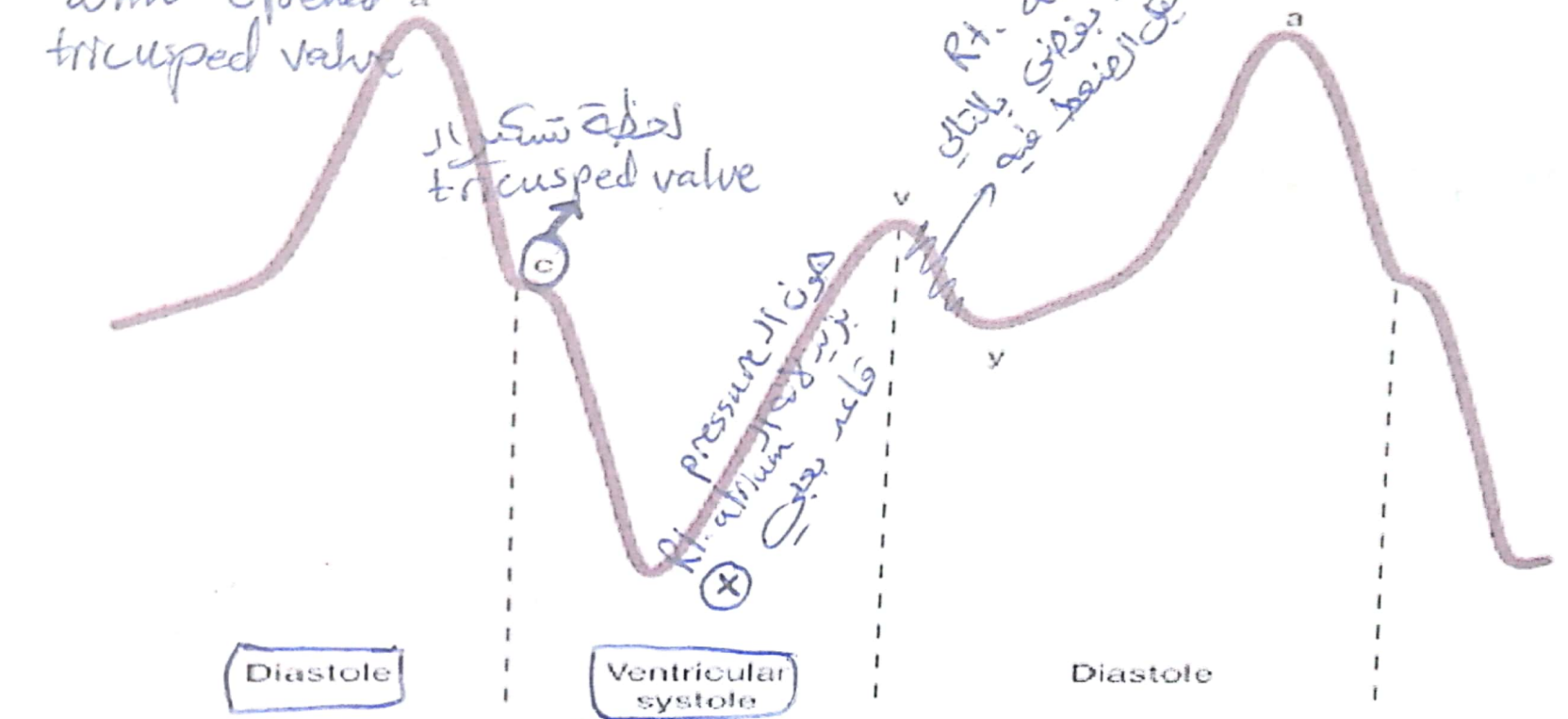


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① atrial contraction  
with opened a  
tricuspid valve

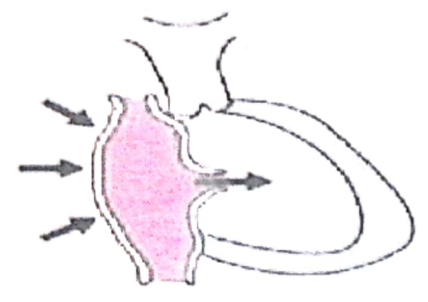


Diastole

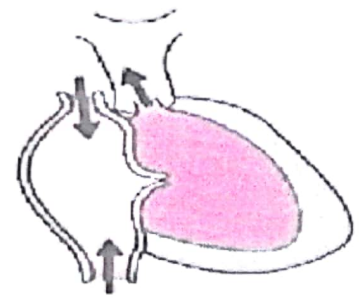
Ventricular systole

Diastole

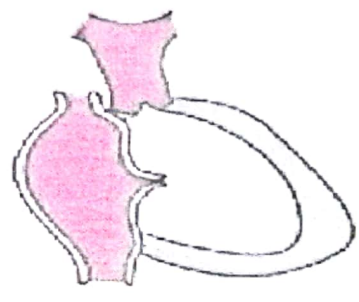
Rt. ventricle contraction



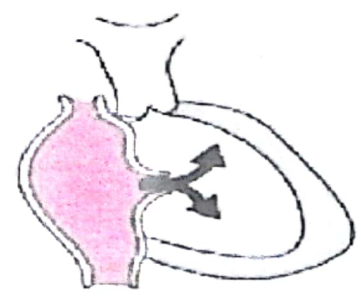
**a wave**  
Atrium contracting  
tricuspid valve open



**x descent**  
Atrium relaxing then  
filling, tricuspid  
closed



**v wave**  
Atrium tense, full;  
tricuspid closed



**y descent**  
Atrium emptying,  
tricuspid open

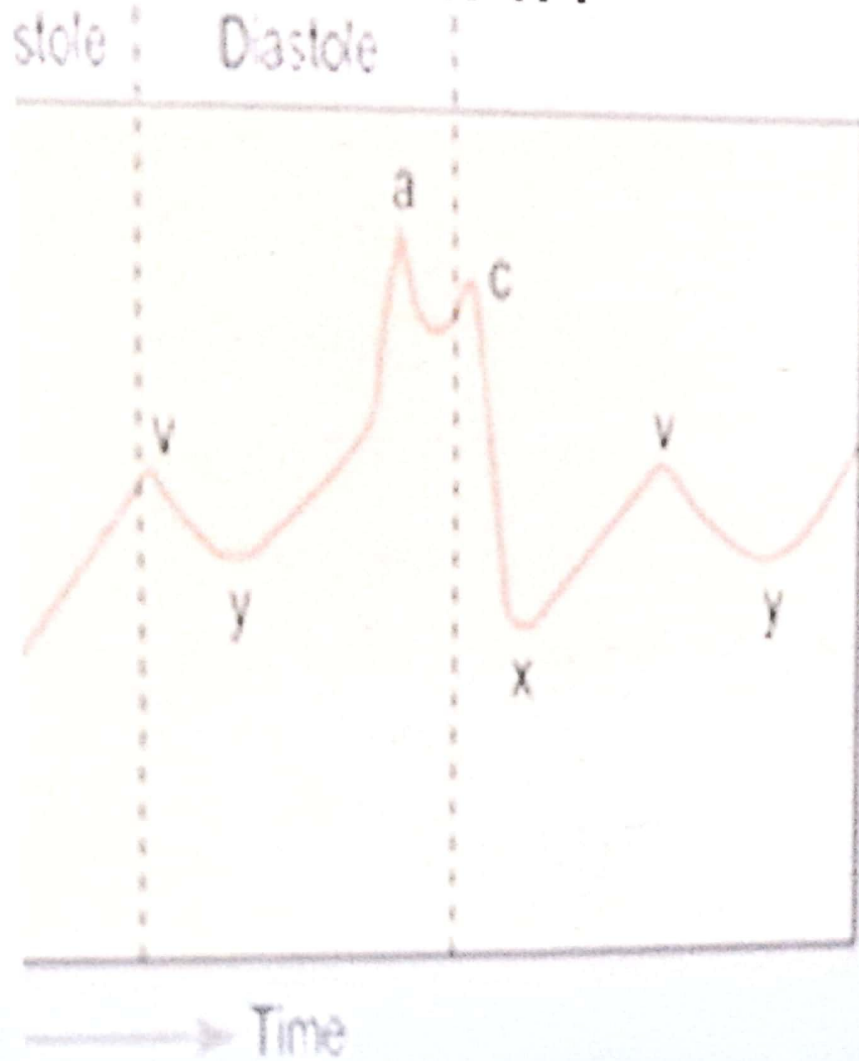


\* الفزونا بار inspiration قبل از JVP  
لكن بار Kussmaul sign رح الاقوة  
ارتفاع . وهاد بغير بسبب صوت  
change in the pressure around  
the chambers.

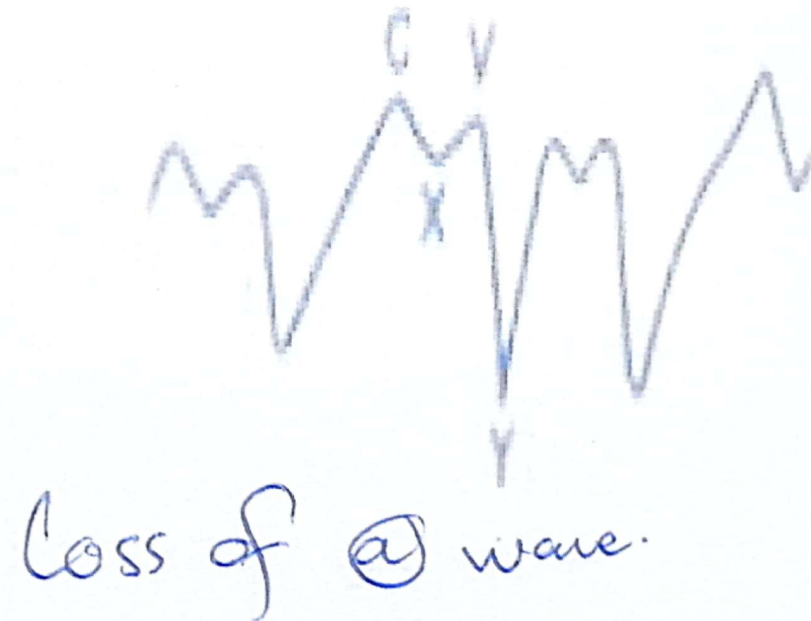
- **kussmaul sign** :  
paradoxical rise of jvp on inspiration. constrictive pericarditis, tamponade, severe rv failure, restrictive cardiomyopathy
- canon waves : regular (junctional rhythm , some ventricular & supraventricular tachycardias), irregular : complete heart block ).

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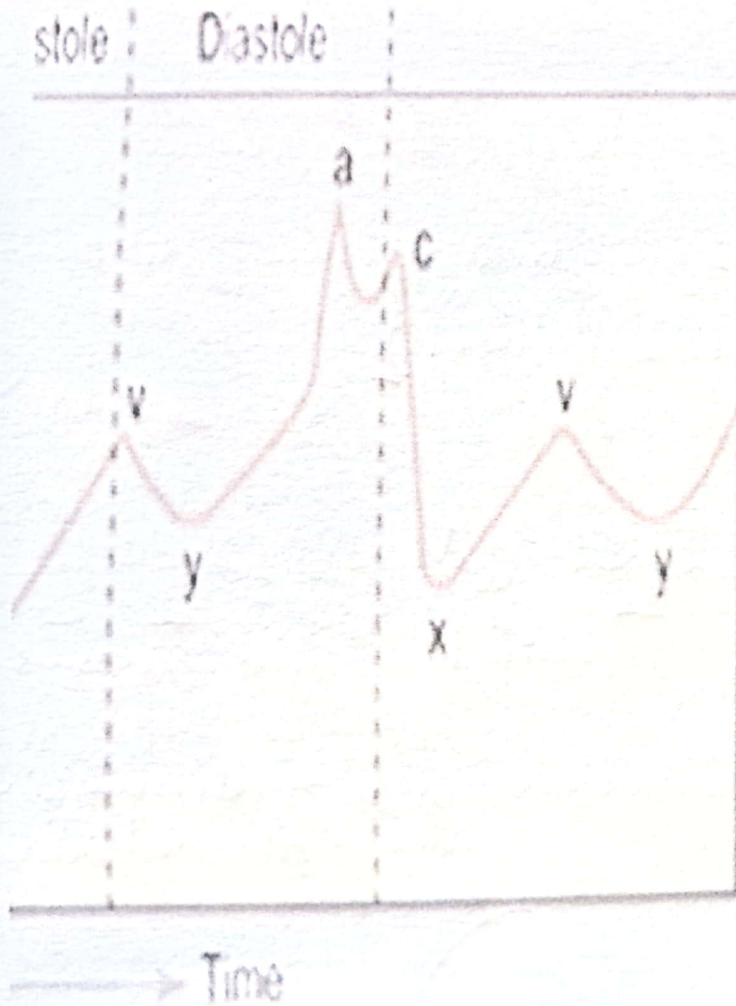
# Atrial fibrillation



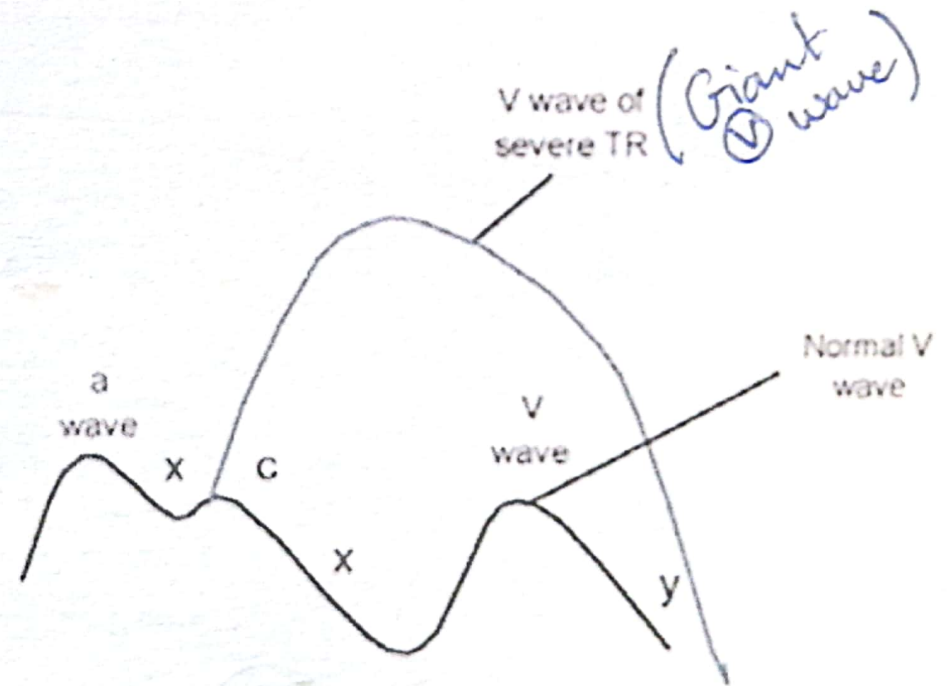
## E. Atrial Fibrillation



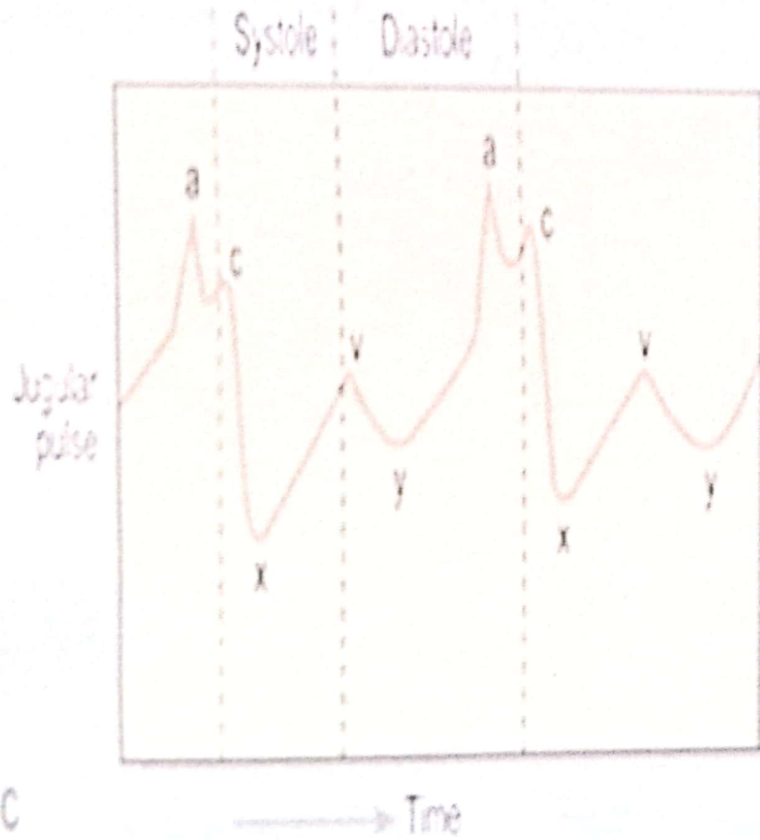
# Tricuspid regurgitation



✓ Giant v wave ,  
aka cv wave , c  
&v fused  
resulting in a  
large systolic  
wave

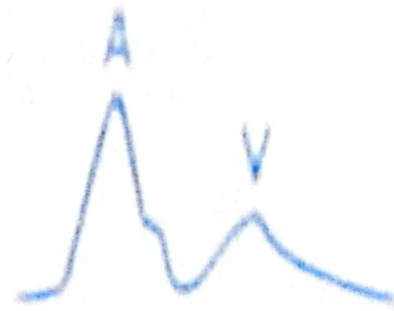


# Tricuspid stenosis

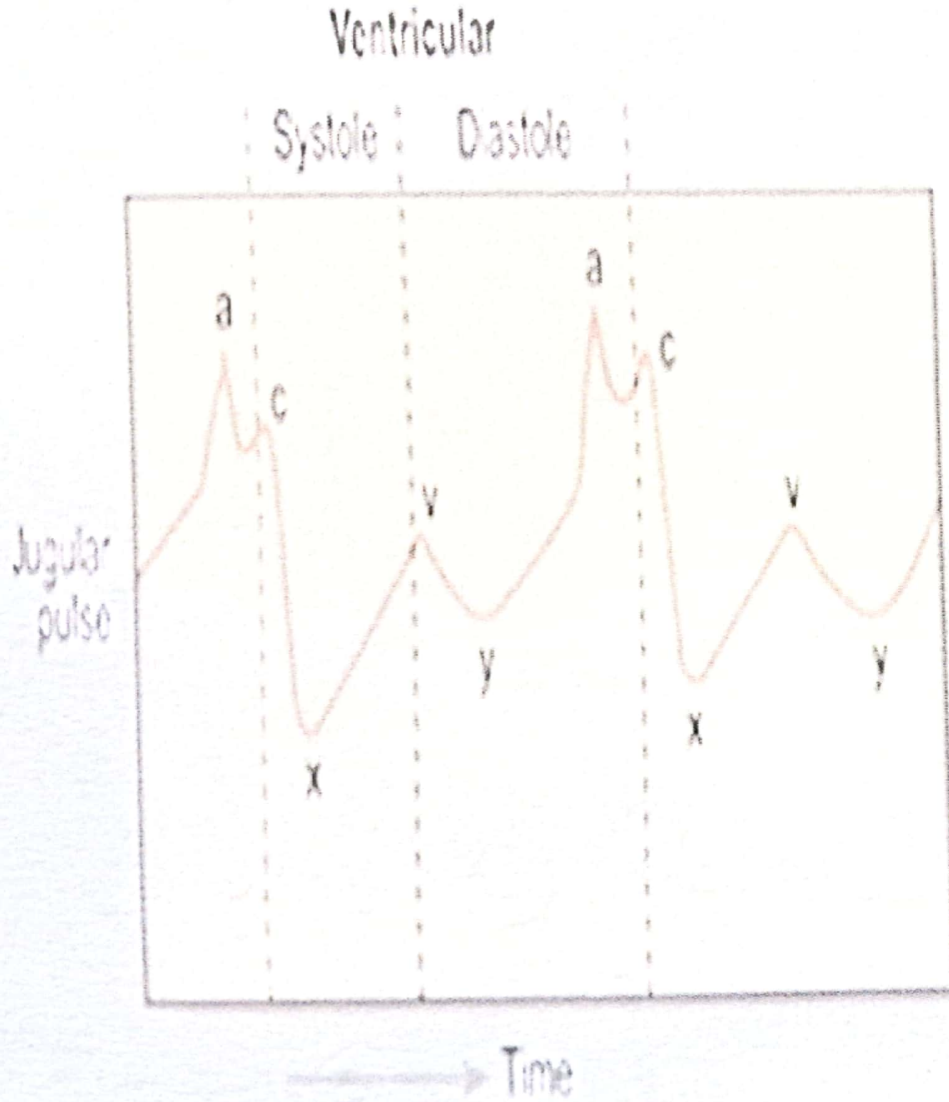


## Tricuspid Stenosis

Giant @ wave



# Complete heart block



## G. Complete AV Block

