



TYPES OF JOINTS BY DR. AVIJEET MONDAL



Joints

A joint is where the two or more bones meet and muscles act on them to cause movement.



Classification of Joints

 FIBROUS JOINTS
 Dense connective tissues connect bones.
 Between bones in close contact.

• CARTILAGINOUS JOINTS

➢ Hyaline cartilage or fibrocartilage connect bones.

SYNOVIAL JOINTS
Most complex.
Allow free movement.

•Synarthrotic

- immovable
- Amphiarthrotic
 - slightly movable
- Diarthrotic
 - freely movable

THREE MAIN TYPES OF JOINTS

✦FIBFOUS / IMMOVABLE
JONTS

CARTILAGINOUS / SLIGHTLY MOVABLE JOINTS

→ SYNOVIAL /FREELY
 MOVEABLE JOINTS



Fibrous/Immovable Joints

In this, the bonescannot move.

they overlap or
interlock, and
are held together by a
tough fibre.
e.g.the skull.



Cartilaginous/Slightly Movable Joints

In this, the bones can only move a **little**.

They are held together by strong straps called **ligaments**, and,

Are joined by protective pads known as **cartilage**. e.g The **ribs**.



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Synovial/Freely Movable Joints

*In this, the bones move
freely.

Bones surfaces are covered with Articular Cartilage.

* There is a joint cavity.

Joint is surrounded by
 Articular Cartilage.

Interior of the joint is lined by Synovial Membrane except the cartilage covered ends of the bone.

Movements are always possible.



Types of Synovial Joints

SYNOVIAL JOINTS ARE CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THE SHAPE OF THE ARTICULATING SURFACE.

•Ball & Socket Joint

•Hinge Joint

•Pivot Joint

•Gliding Joint

•Saddle Joint

Condyloid Joint

1. Ball and Socket Joints

The ball has a head shaped of one bone which articulates with a cuplike socket.

Allows the greatest range of movement

Examples - HIP , SHOULDER



2. Condyloid Joints

The surfaces are flatter and oval forming a shallow joint It allows the second greatest range of movement.



EXAMPLE

WRIST JOINT

3. Pivot Joints

These are rounded, pointed or concave of one bone which articulates which a ring shaped bone. Movement is restricted to 1 bone rotating around the longitudinal axis.



EXAMPLE

VERTEBRAE OF THE NECK

4. Saddle Joints

The articulating surfaces are shaped like a saddle It allows very limited movement



5. Gliding Joints

The articulating surfaces are flat. It allows limited movement

EXAMPLES HAND BETWEEN THE CARPELS



6. Hinge Joints

EXAMPLES

ELBOW

KNEE

They are cylindrical shaped of 1 bone articulates with a depression of an adjacent bone Movement is restricted to bending and straightening





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