



# CLINICAL EVALUATION OF STRABISMUS

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# HISTORY

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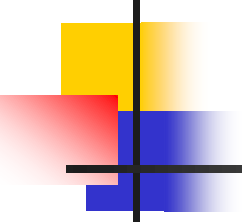
- Age of onset
- Variability
- General health
- Birth history
- Family history



# Examination

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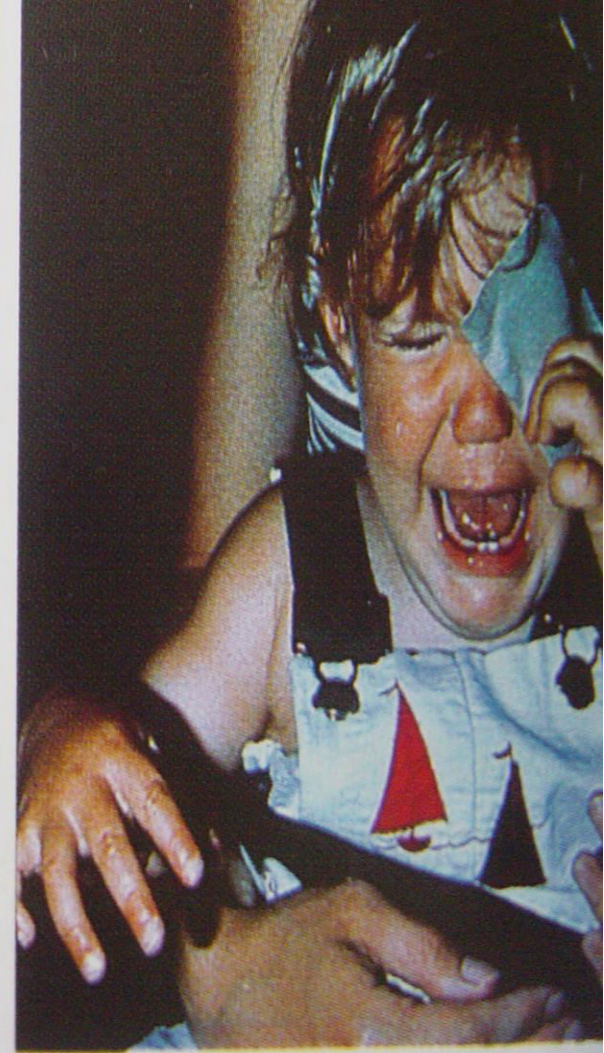
- Visual acuity testing
- Tests for stereopsis
- Tests for sensory anomalies
- Measurement of deviation
- Motility tests
- Refraction and funduscopy

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- Testing VA in preverbal children
  - Testing VA in verbal children

# Testing VA in preverbal children

*Simple examination  
and observation of  
the child*

Occlusion of one eye



# Hundreds and thousands test



If a child is able to see and pick up small sweets at 33cm VA is at least 6/24

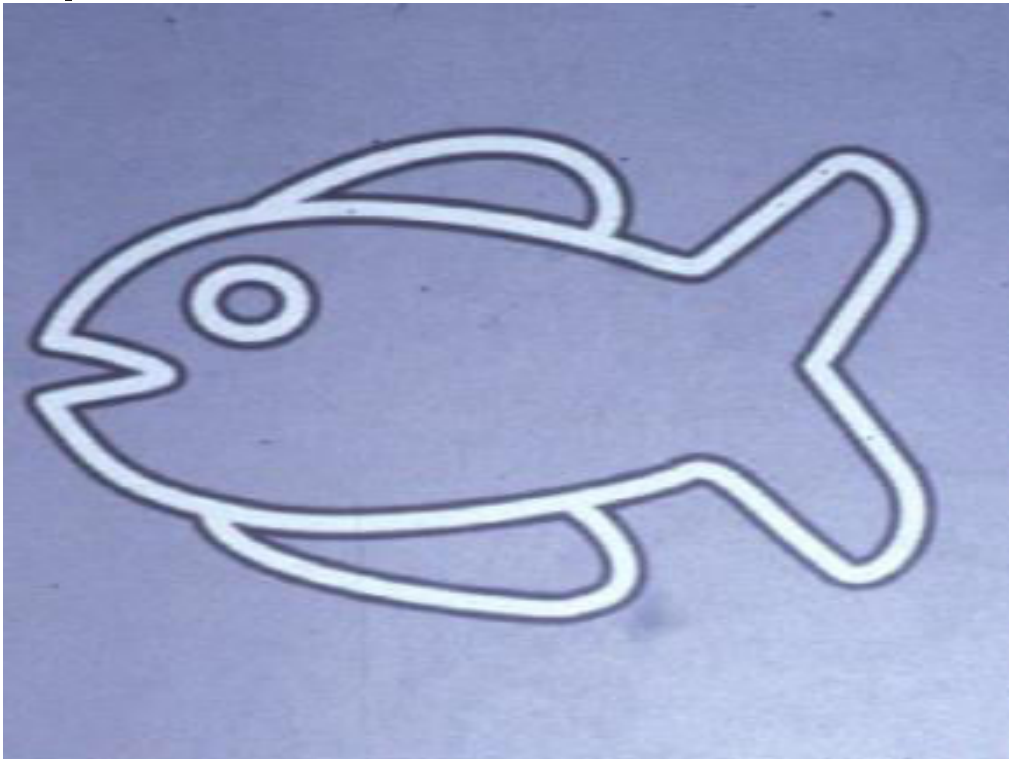


# Rotation test

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- Gross qualitative test of the ability to fixate with both eyes open
- Examiner hold the kid facing him and rotates briskly through 360°
- If VA is normal eyes will deviate in the direction of rotation under the influence of vestibul-ocular response
- The eyes will flick back to normal position to produce nystagmus
- When rotation stops nystagmus also stops due to suppression of post-rotatory nystagmus by fixation
- If vision is poor the post rotatory nystagmus does not stop as vestibulo-ocular response is not blocked by visual feed back

# Preferential looking



- They are based on the fact that infants prefer to look at a pattern rather than homogenous stimulus  
( cardiff acuity cards )



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- Remember fixation should be

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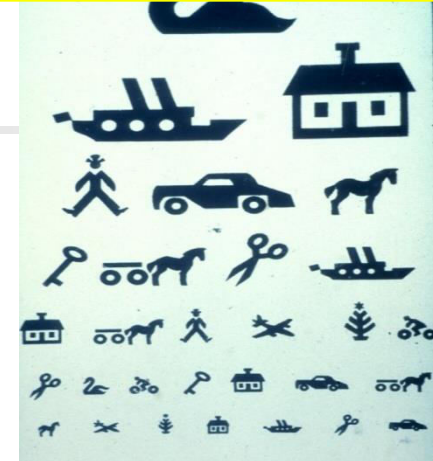
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# VA testing in verbal children

At age 2 years (naming pictures)



Kay single picture

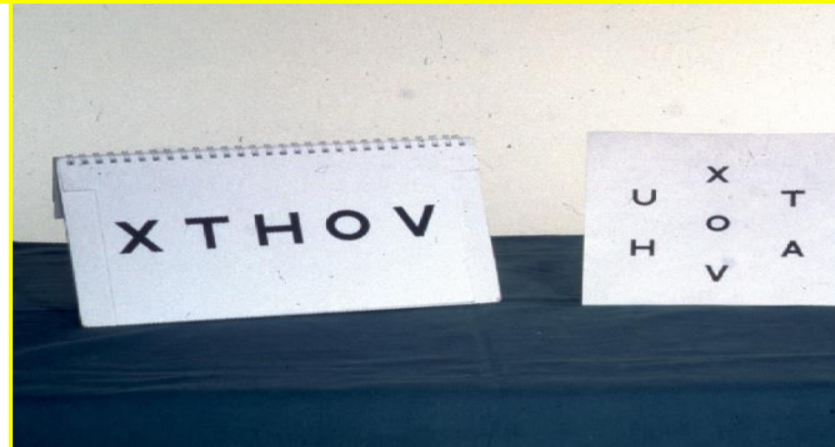


Multiple pictures

At age 3 years (matching tests)



Sheridan-Gardiner



Sonksen-Silver



# Measurement of deviation

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- Hirschberg test
- Krimsky test
- Cover tests

# Hirschberg test



- ( 1 mm = 7° or 15 Δ
- Objective measurement of the angle
  - Note location of corneal light reflex
  - Reflex at border of pupil = 15°

# Reflex at the limbus (45° or 90 prism dioptres )



# Pseudodeviations



- ***Pseudo esotropia***
- Epicanthic folds
- Short interpupillary distance



- ***Pseudo exotropia***
- wide interpupillary distance



# Cover tests

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- Cover-uncover test
- Alternate cover test
- Prism cover test

# Cover tests



- Most accurate measurement of squint
- Tests are based on ability to fixate
- Differentiate tropia from phorias



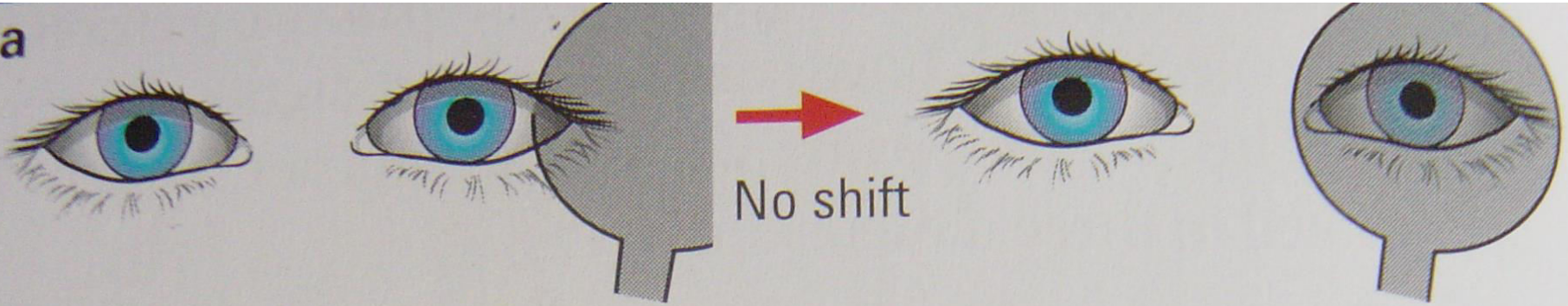


# Cover tests

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- Detect a tropia
- Performed for near and distance
- Patient looks straight ahead
- If right deviation is suspected, cover the left eye and look at the RE,
- No movement means eye is straight or LE has tropia
- Adduction of RE means exotropia, abduction means esotropia , downward movement means hypertropia and upward means hypotropia

a



b



c





# Un cover test

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- Detect phoria
- Perform for near and distance
- Cover the RE and after few seconds remove the cover and observe the RE
- No movement means orthophoria, adduction means exophoria, abduction means esophoria



# Alternate cover test (phoria and tropia)

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- Cover the RE for 2 sec then the LE for 2 sec and do it several times
- After the cover is removed note the uncovered eye
- A person with phoria will have straight eyes before and after and a person with tropia will have manifest deviation



# Prism cover test

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- Measures the angle of deviation
- Do ACT
- Place prisms in front of one eye and do ACT till the no ocular movement is seen ( base of prism is opposite to deviation )





# Motility tests

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- Smooth pursuit movements
- Saccades

## *Versions*

binocular, conjugate and simultaneous

## *Ductions*

monocular movements



SR



IO



SR + IO



SR + IO



IO



SR



LR



MR



MR



LR



IR



SO



IR + SO



IR + SO



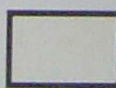
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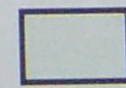
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Primary position

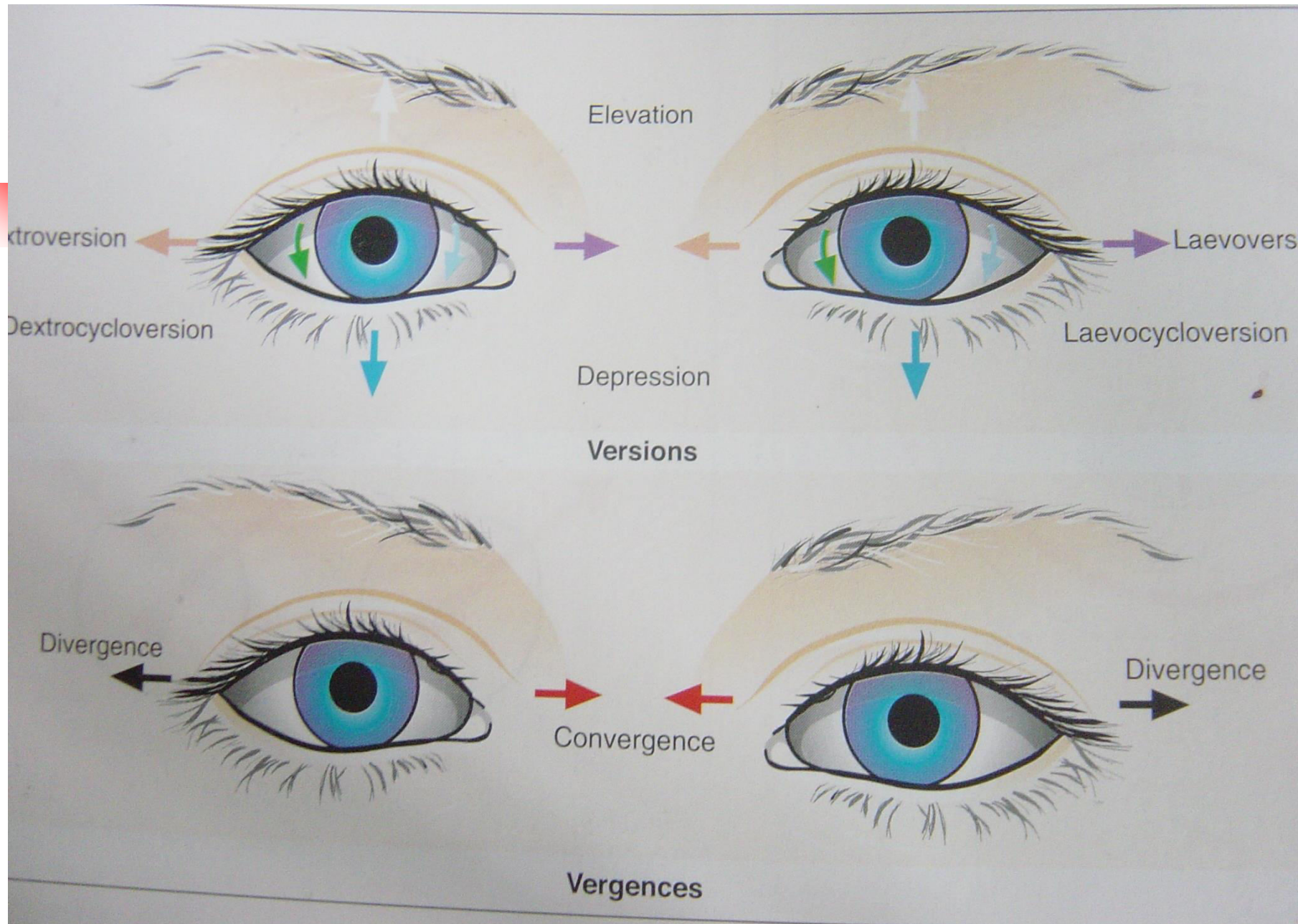


Cardinal position



Midline vertical







# FUNDOSCOPY

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- MANDATORY ( NEVER MISS)
- Squint may be due to poor vision as in
  - macular scarring
  - optic disc hypoplasia
  - retinoblastoma (20%)



# Cycloplegic refraction

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- Commonest cause of squint is refractive errors
- Cycloplegia is done to negate the effect of accommodation
- Cyclopentolate 1% , 0.5%
- Atropine



# TYPES OF STRABISMUS

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CONCOMITANT

INCOMITANT



# TERMINOLOGY

■ Strabismus- from Greek word  
"strabismos"- to look obliquely- ocular  
misalignment

■ Orthophoria- ideal condition of ocular  
balance

both eye remain aligned in all positions of  
gaze and all distances of the fixation point  
even when the fusional mechanism is  
disrupted



# TERMINOLOGY

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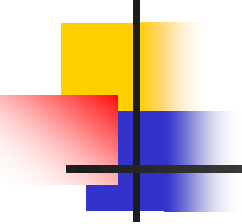
- Comitant (concomitant): the deviation does not vary with direction of gaze or fixating eye
- Incomitant (non-comitant); the direction varies with direction of gaze or fixating eye  
Mostly paralytic or restrictive



# CONCOMITANT STRABISMUS

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The variability of angle of deviation is within 5 prism dioptres in different direction of gaze



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In an Incomitant squint the angle differs in various positions of gaze as a result of

Abnormal innervation

Restriction





# TYPES OF CONCOMITANT STRABISMUS

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- ESOTROPIA
- EXOTROPIA



# ESOTROPIA (Manifest convergent squint )

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- Accommodative
- Non-accommodative



# Accommodative

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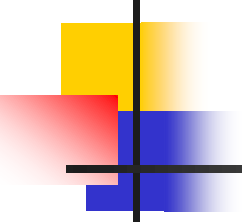
- Refractive
- Non-refractive
- Mixed accommodative

# FULLY ACCOMODATIVE



- Completely corrected by optical correction of hypermetropia,





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While partially accommodative is reduced but not eliminated by correction of Hypermetropia

# Non-refractive accommodative esotropia

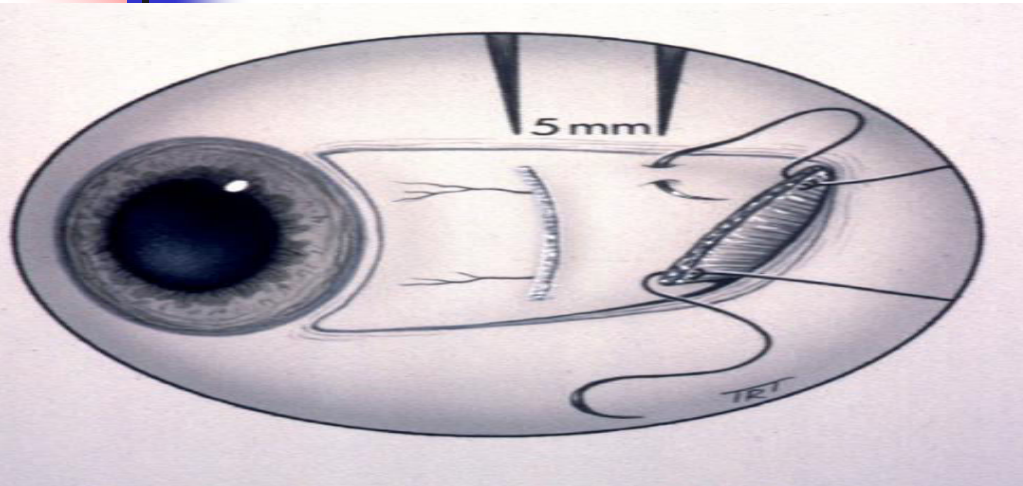


■ Straight for distance

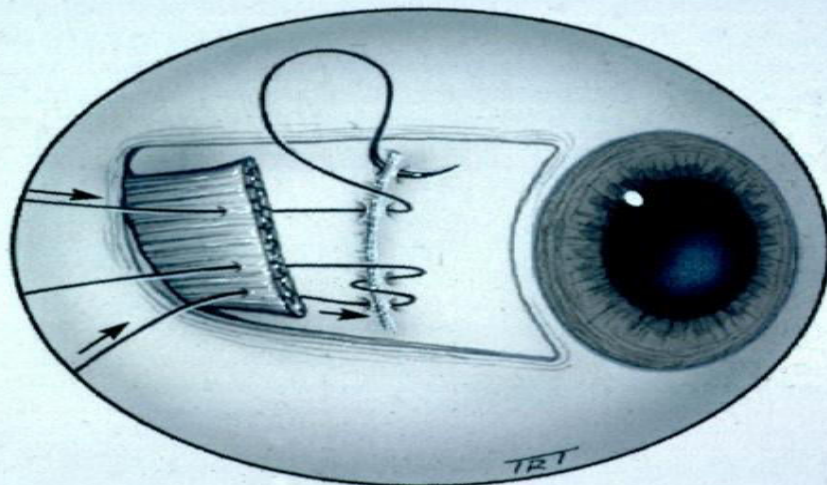


■ Squint for near

# SURGERY



- When specs cant correct deviation
- Weaken the MR and strengthen the LR





# Exotropia ( manifest divergent squint )

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- CONSTANT
- INTERMITTENT





# CONSTANT

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- Congenital
- Sensory
- Consecutive

# Congenital



- Presents at birth
- Large angle
- Alternating fixation
- Normal refraction for age
- Neurological anomalies may be there
- Treatment is surgical

# SENSORY



Disruption of binocular reflexes by  
acquired lesions, such  
as cataract in over 5  
years and in adults  
Correct the visual  
deficit followed by  
surgery



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**Consecutive**

**follows previous surgery for  
esotropia**

# Intermittent (around 2 years )

- Basic
- Convergence weakness
- Divergence excess



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- When exophoria breaks under visual inattention, bright light, fatigue or ill health



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- BASIC

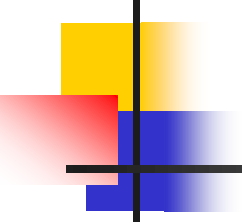
Deviation is same for distance and near

- Convergence weakness

adults or older kids

angle more for near

may be associated with Myopia

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- Divergence excess  
angle is more for distance





# management

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- Correct myopia
- Orthoptic treatment
- Surgery



# PRINCIPLES OF SURGERY

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- Weakening procedures
  - Recession
  - Myectomy
  - Posterior fixation suture



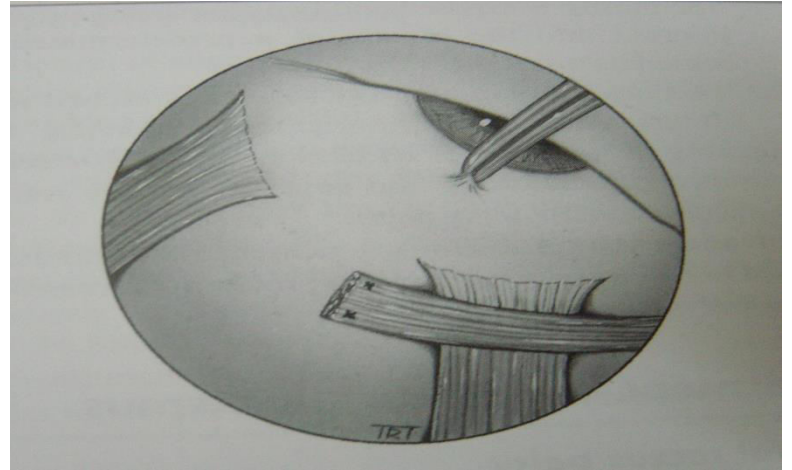
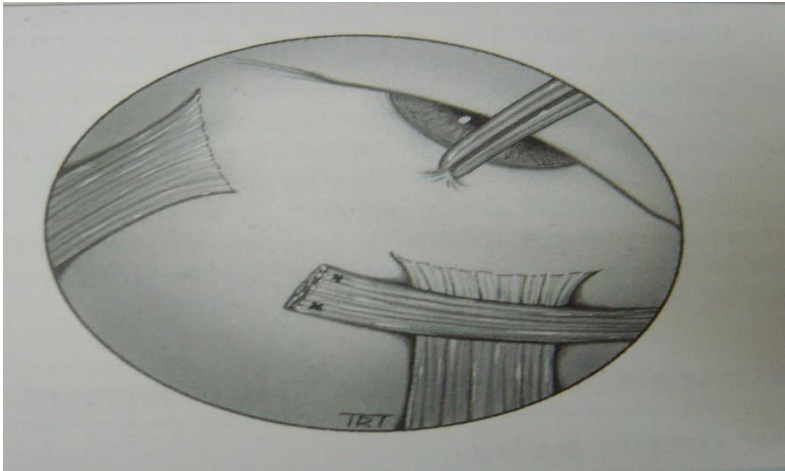
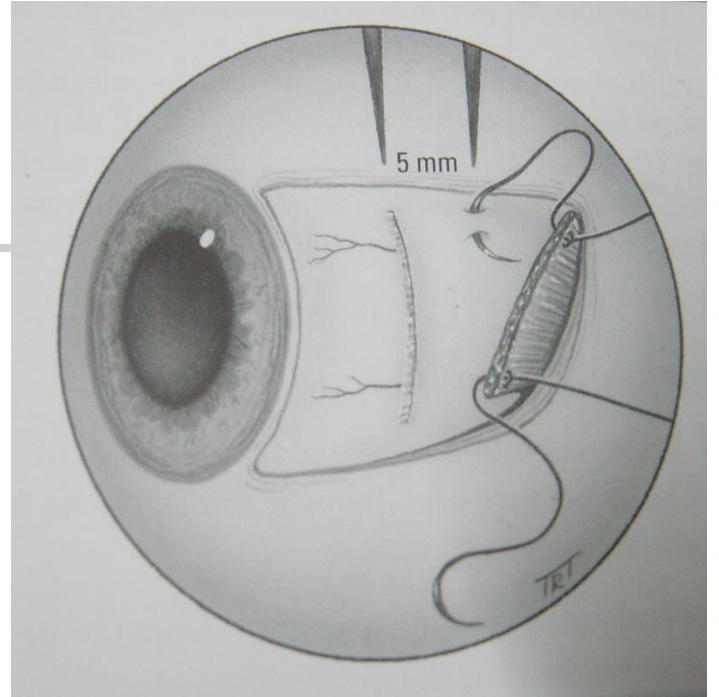
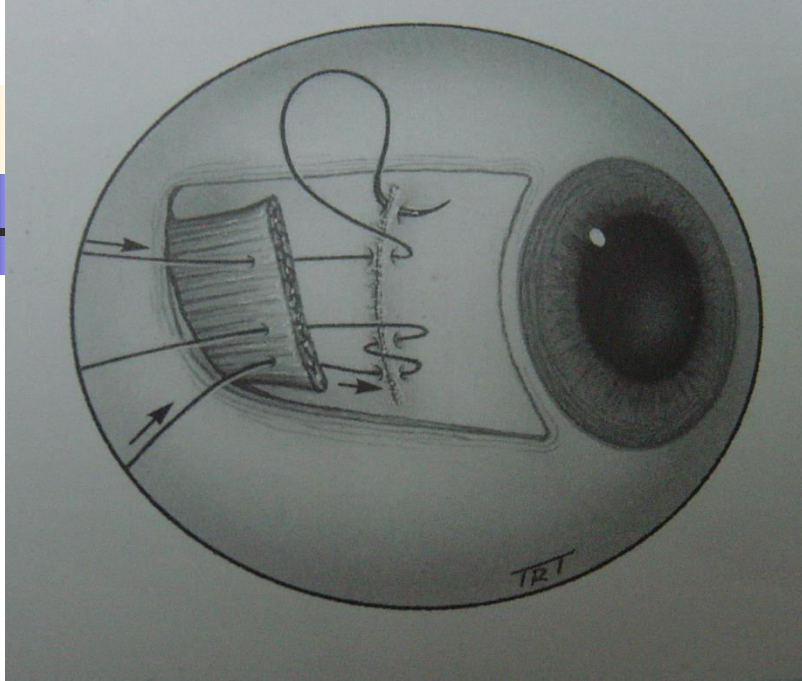
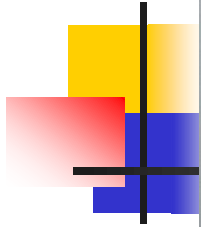
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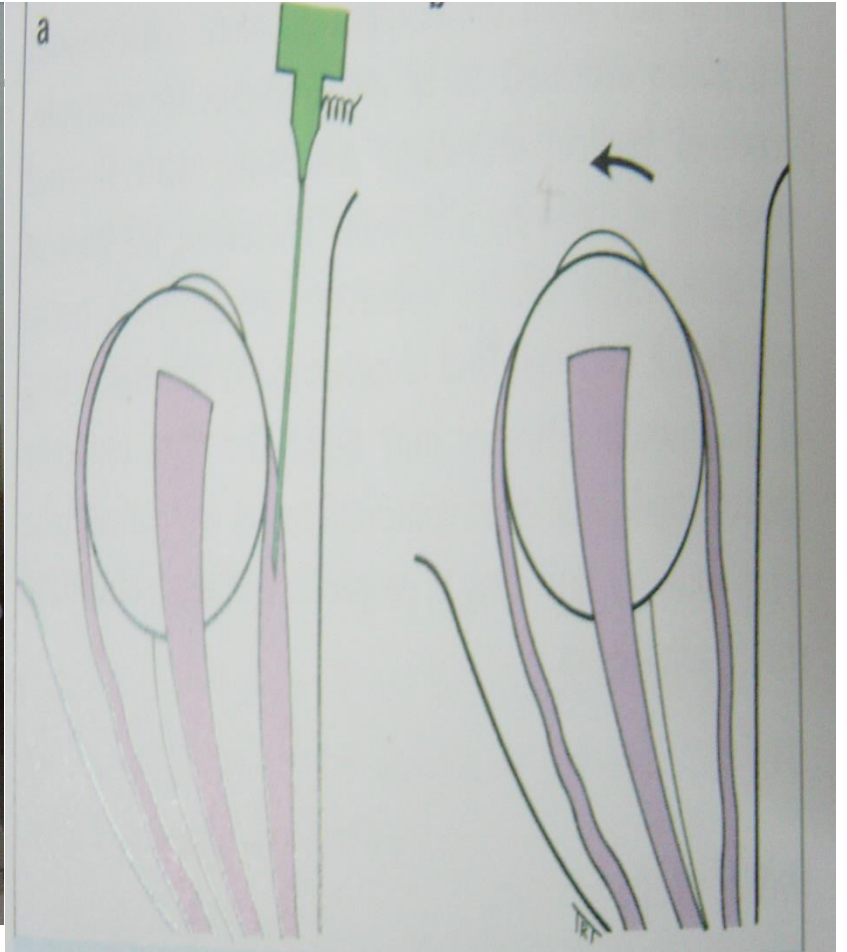
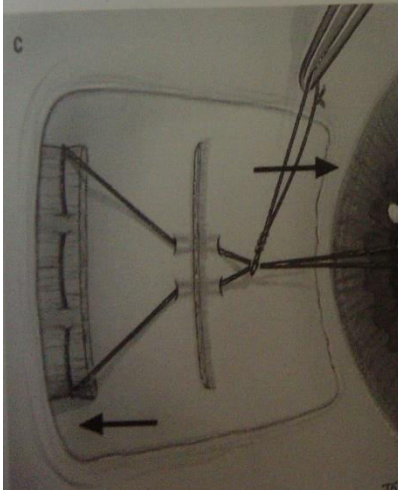
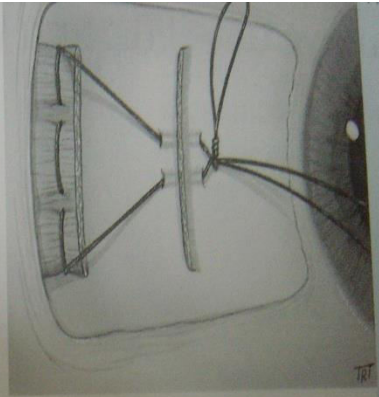
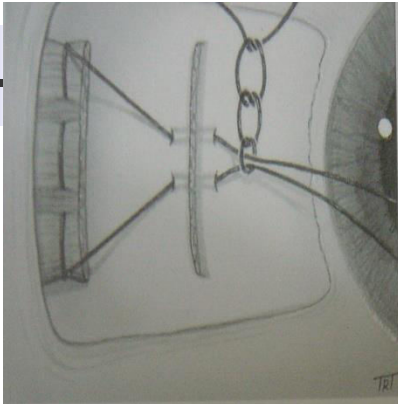
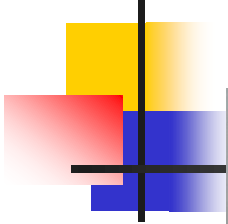
- Strengthening procedures

Resection

Advancement

Tucking







# Types of Incomitant squint

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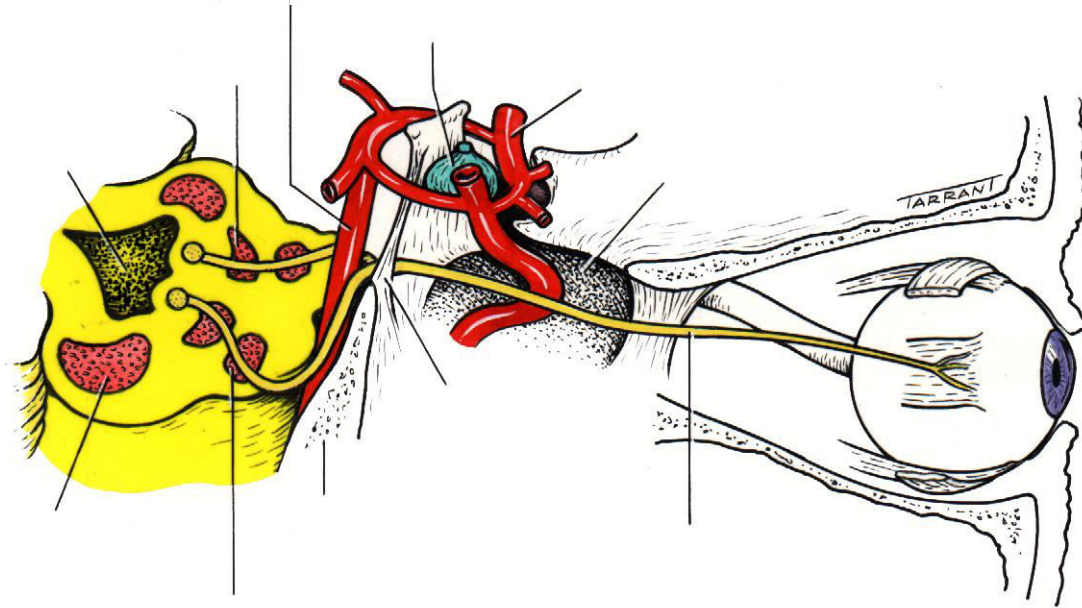
- Paralytic

  - LR Palsy

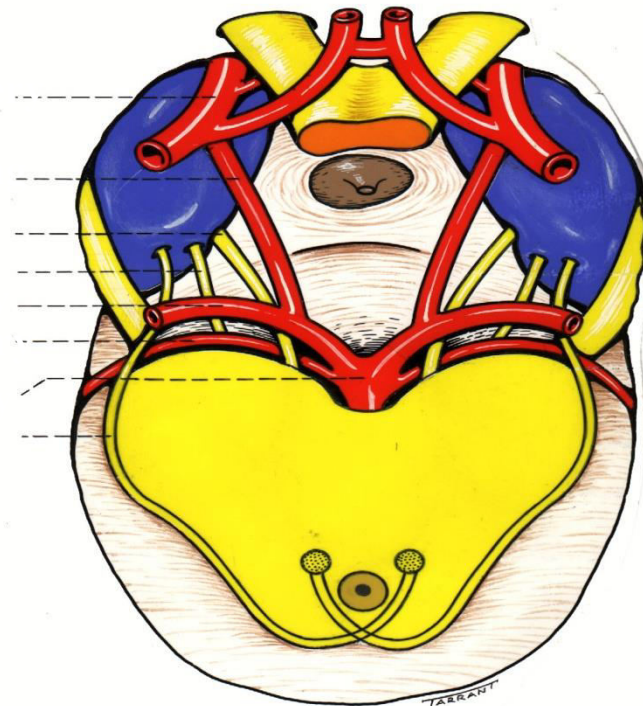
  - SO Palsy

  - 3<sup>rd</sup> nerve palsy

# Anatomy of the 6<sup>th</sup> nerve



# Anatomy of fourth nerve



- Only cranial nerve to emerge dorsally
- Crossed cranial nerve
- Very long and slender





- Right hyperdeviation in primary position when left eye fixating



- Right underaction on depression in adduction

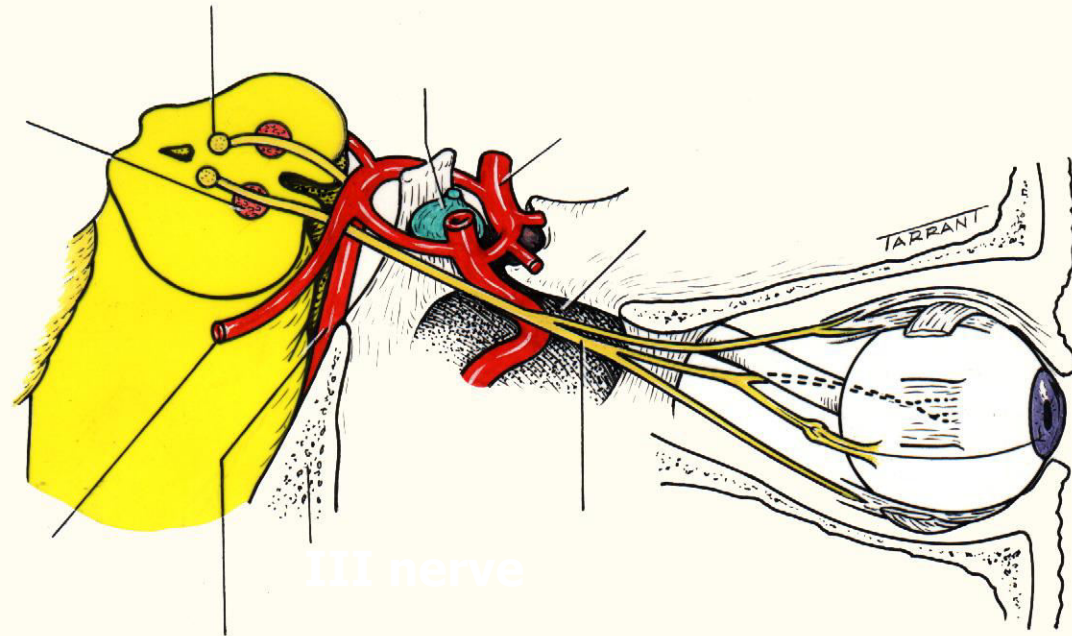


- Right overaction on left gaze



- Increase in right hyperdeviation on ipsilateral head tilt

# Anatomy of 3<sup>rd</sup> nerve



# Clinical signs of 3<sup>rd</sup> nerve palsy



- **Ptosis, mydriasis and cycloplegia**
- **Abduction in primary position**
- **Limited depression and elevation**



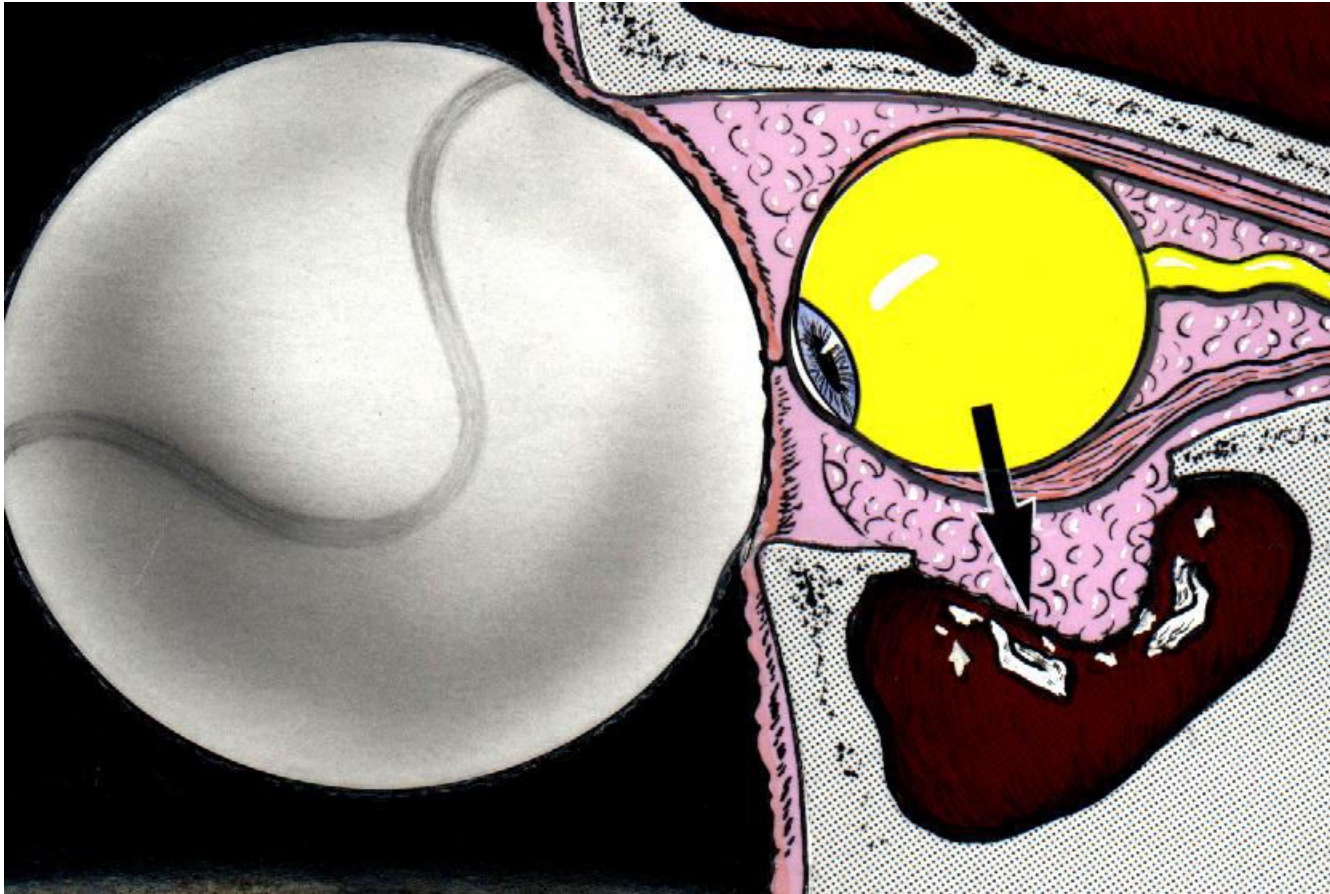


# Restriction

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Blow out fractures  
muscle entrapment  
thyroid ophthalmopathy

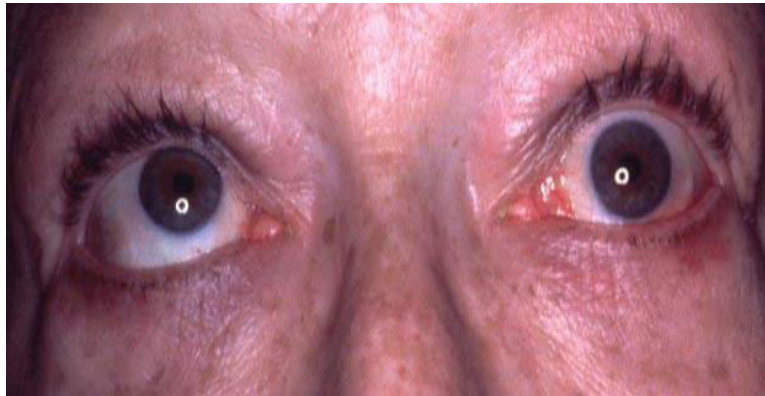
# Blow out fracture of orbital floor





- Diplopia in up and down gaze

# Types of restriction in thyroid eye disease







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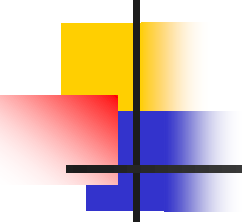
- **Special syndromes**



# Duane syndrome

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- On attempted adduction - retraction of globe and narrowing of palpebral fissure
- On attempted abduction - opening of palpebral fissure and normal globe position
- Bilateral in about 20%

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- There is co contraction of both MR and LR
  - There may be deafness and other congenital abn
  - May be tight LR or absent Abducent nucleus





# Brown syndrome

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- Congenital
  - idiopathic, congenital click syndrome
- Acquired
  - iatrogenic
  - inflammation of the tendon

# Brown syndrome (right)



- **Limited elevation in adduction**



# Double elevator palsy (right)



- **Unilateral elevation failure in all positions**

# Mobius syndrome



- Bilateral sixth nerve palsies
- Primary position - 50% straight, 50% esotropic
- Paresis of 9th and 12th cranial nerves

























