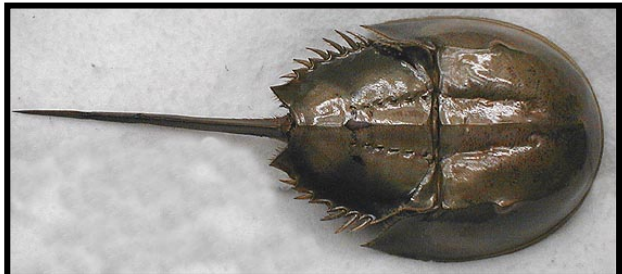




# Phylum Arthropoda

“joint-footed” animals

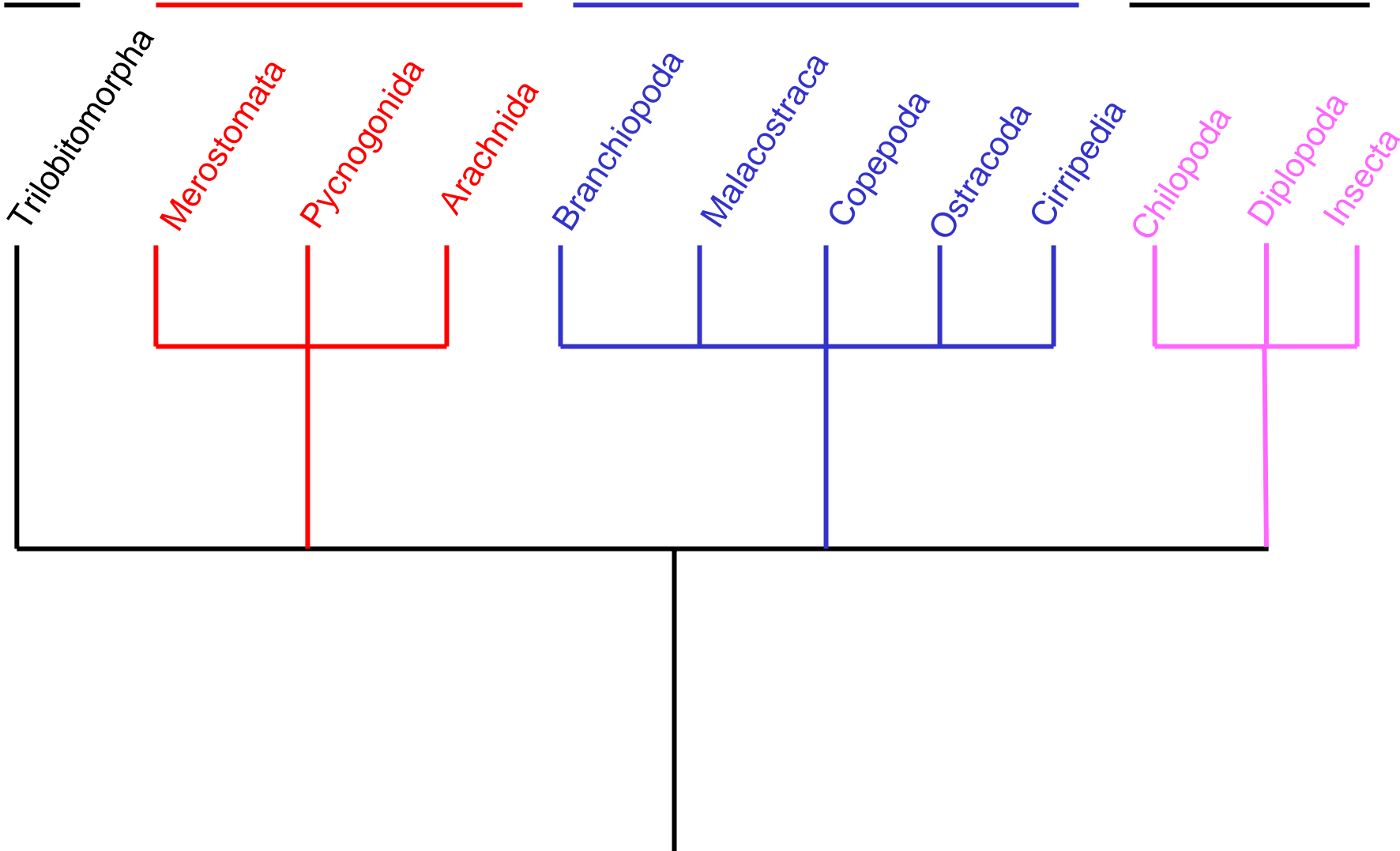


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Trilobita

Subphylum  
Chelicerata

Subphylum  
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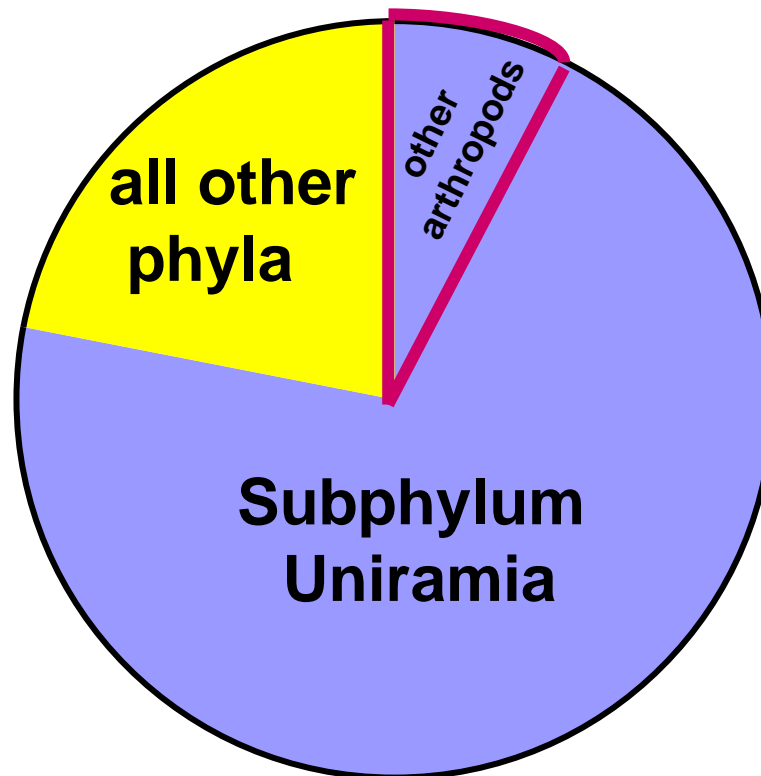
**Subphylum  
Uniramia**



# Phylum Arthropoda

## Subphylum Uniramia

- the largest subphylum
- comprises ~75% of all known animals



# Uniramia Characteristics

Have the general arthropod characteristics plus:

1. unbranched (uniramous) appendages
2. 1 pair of antennae
3. mandibles
4. 2 pairs of maxillae (usually)
5. body is covered with a cuticular exoskeleton

# Feeding

- Free living: Herbivores, carnivores, detritivores
- Parasites and parasitoids

**Parasitic insects are usually only parasites for part of their lives (e.g. mosquitoes). However, some insects are parasites for their entire lives (lice).**



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***Anopheles* mosquitos  
transmit malaria**



**Lice are ectoparasites of  
most birds and mammals**

# Parasitoids

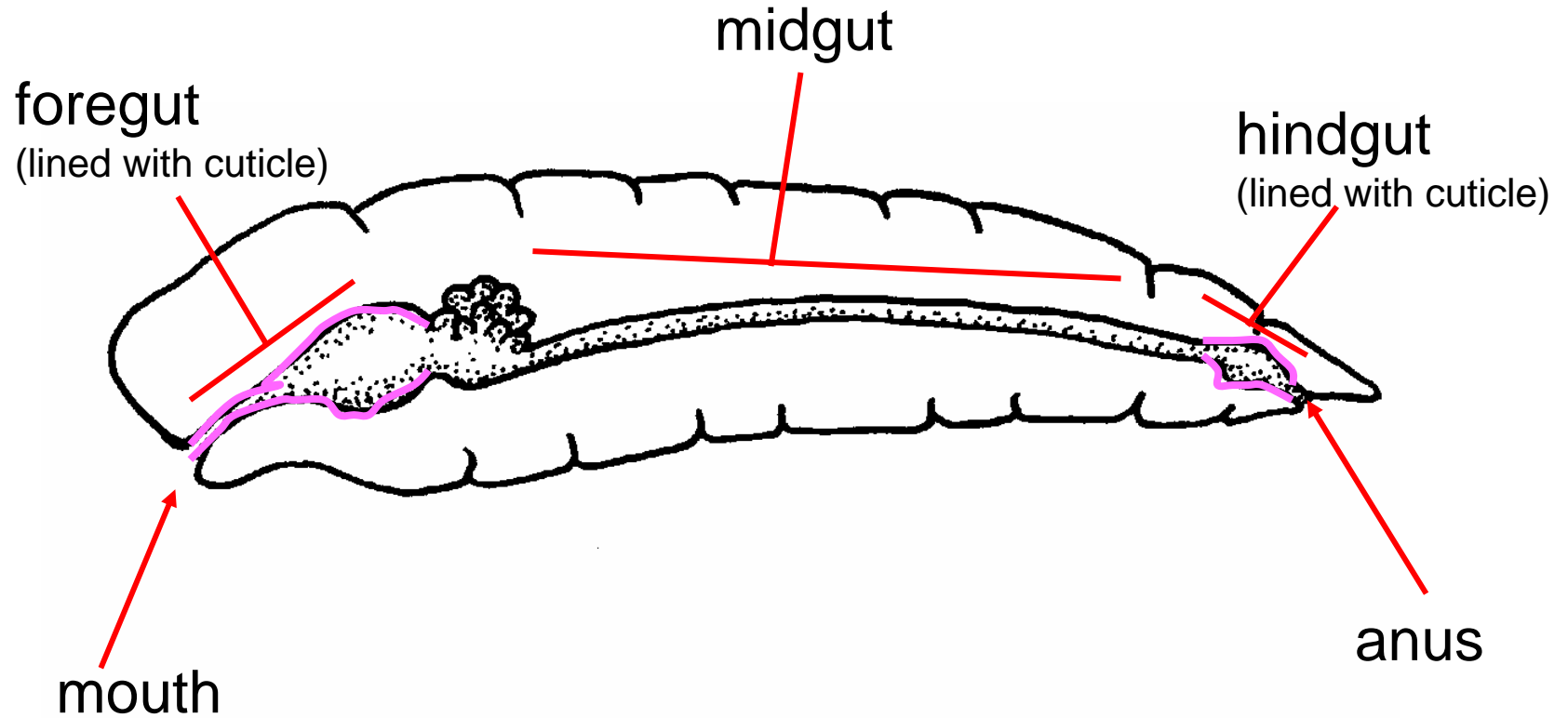
Parasitoid larvae are parasites that eventually kill their hosts, while the adults are free-living.



# Digestive System

- complete with regional specialization

# Generalized Arthropod Digestive System



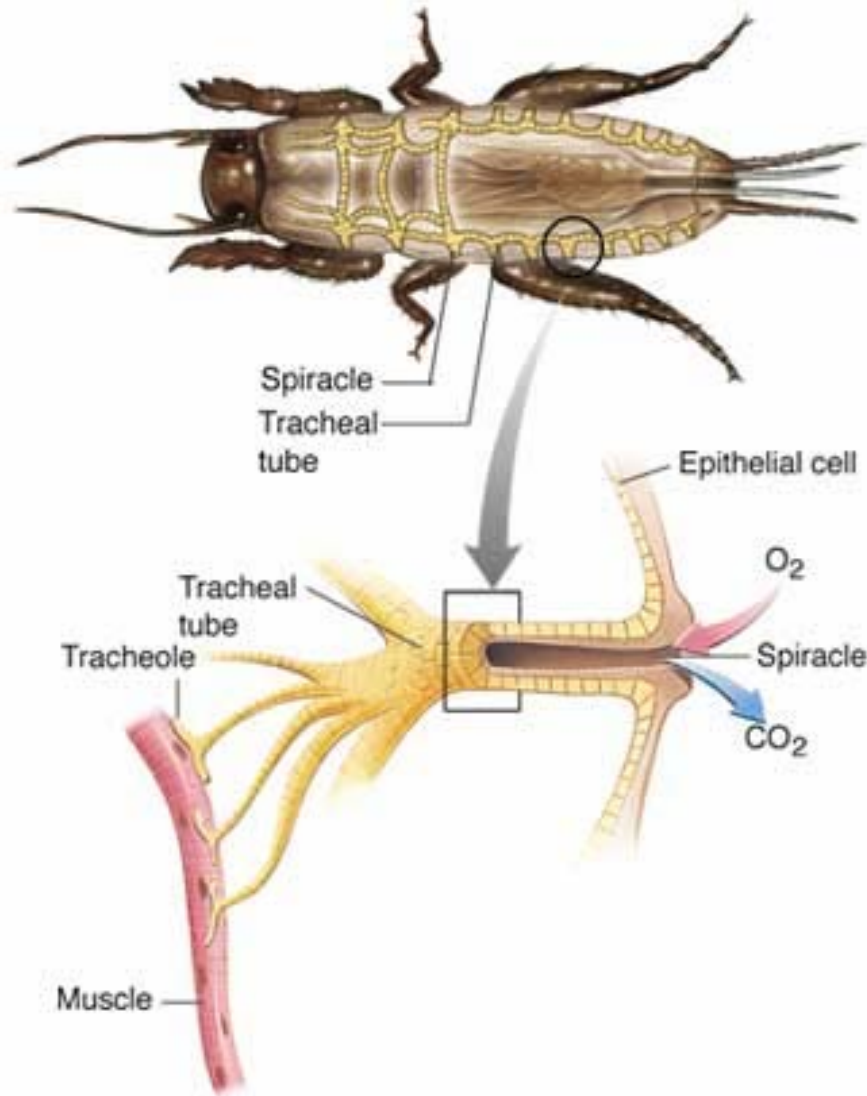
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# Subphylum Uniramia

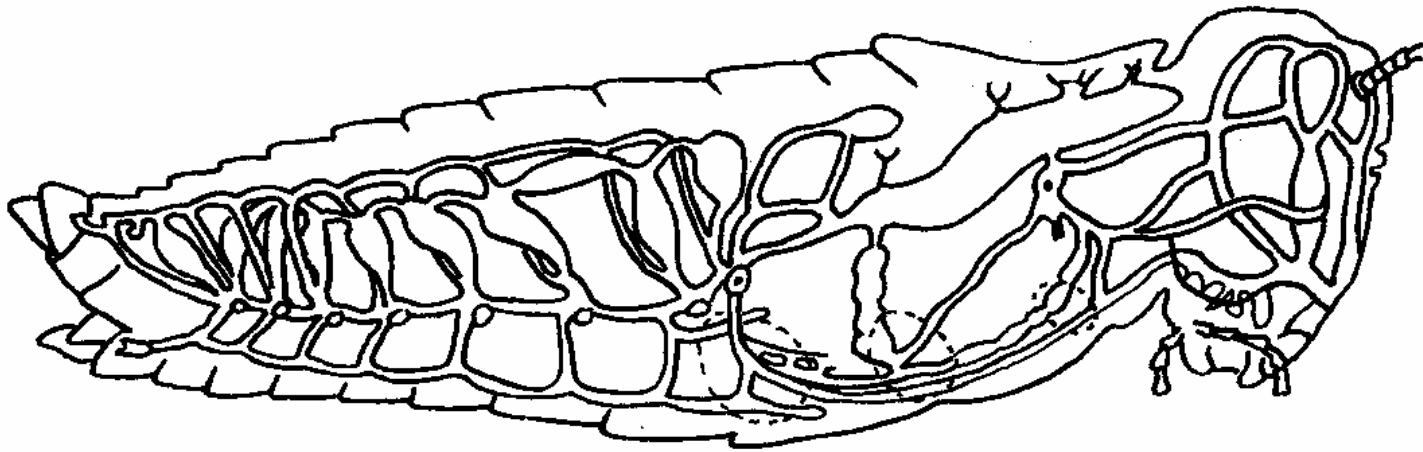
## Gas Exchange

- by tracheal system (consists of thin-walled tubes)
- tracheal tubes open to the outside by spiracles
- if juveniles are aquatic, they may have gills

# Insect tracheal system



# Insect tracheal system



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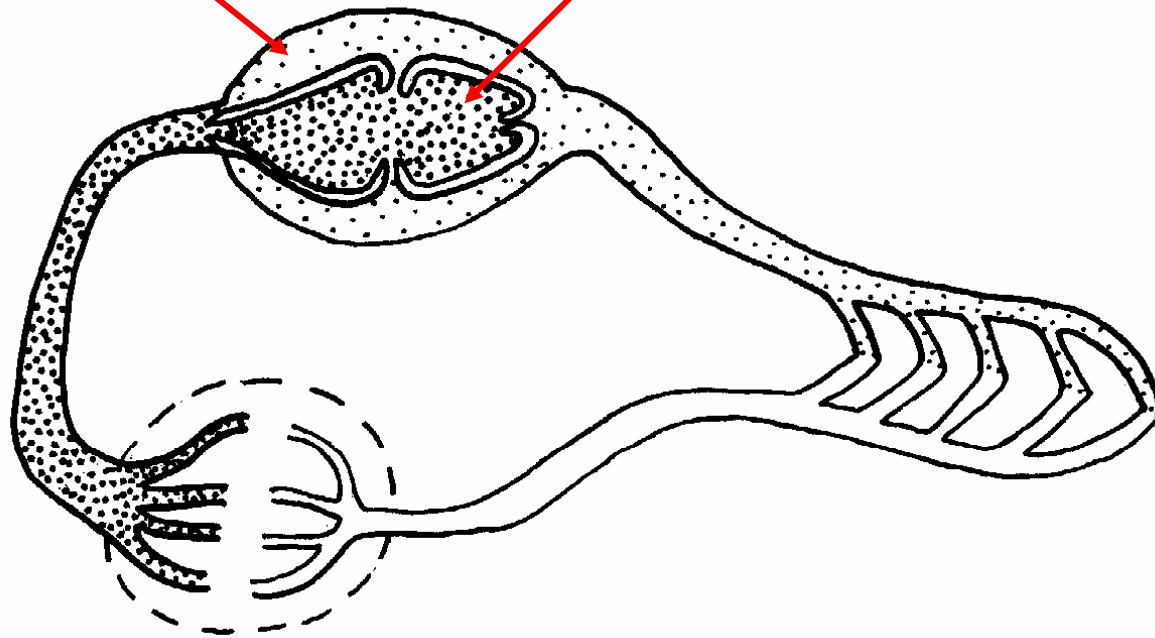
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# **Circulatory System**

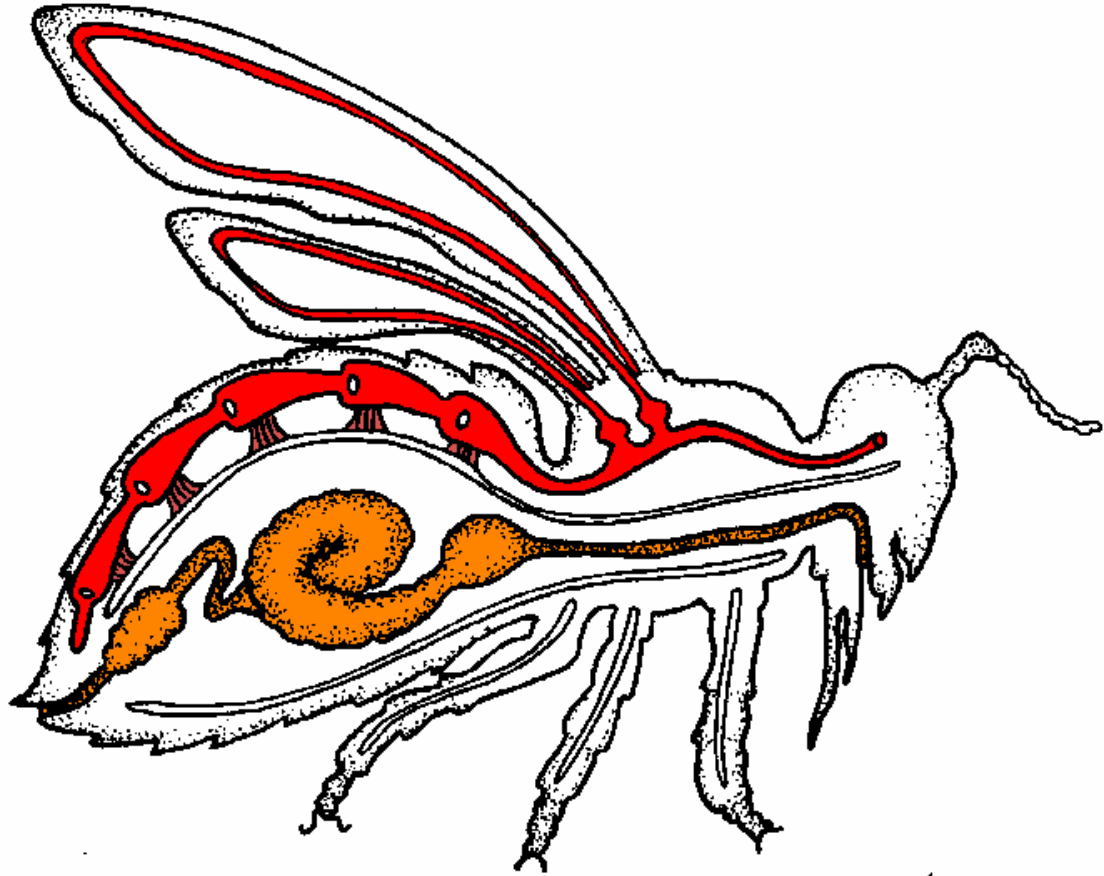
- open circulatory system consisting of a hemocoel (main body-cavity) filled with hemolymph (blood)

pericardial sinus

heart



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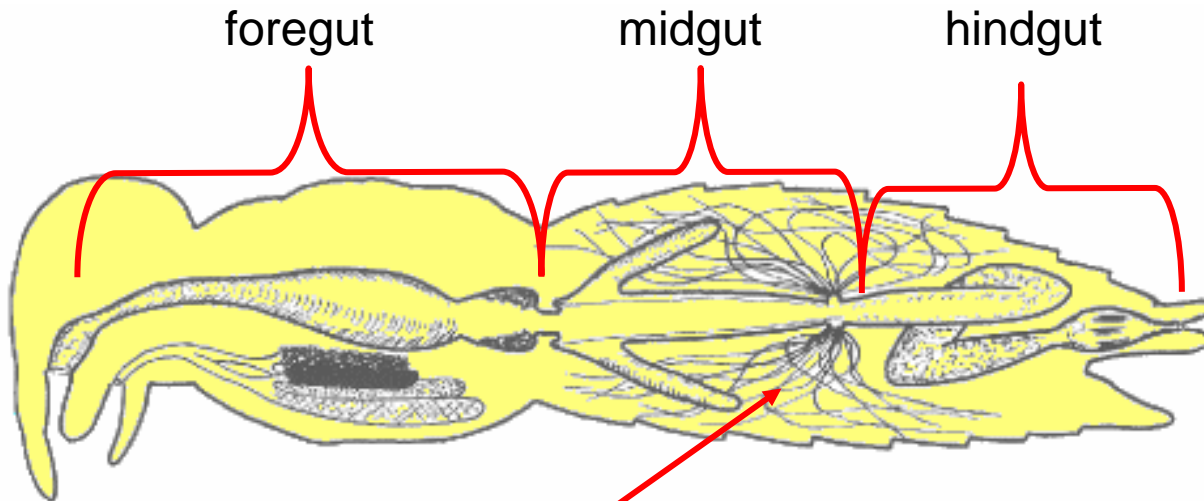


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# Arthropoda Characteristics

## Excretion

- Malpighian tubules



Malpighian tubules: collect waste from the hemocoel, and pass it into the hind gut where water and ions are resorbed

# Arthropoda Characteristics

## Reproduction

- usually sexual and dioecious
- usually internal fertilization





**Subphylum Uniramia**  
**Class Chilopoda**

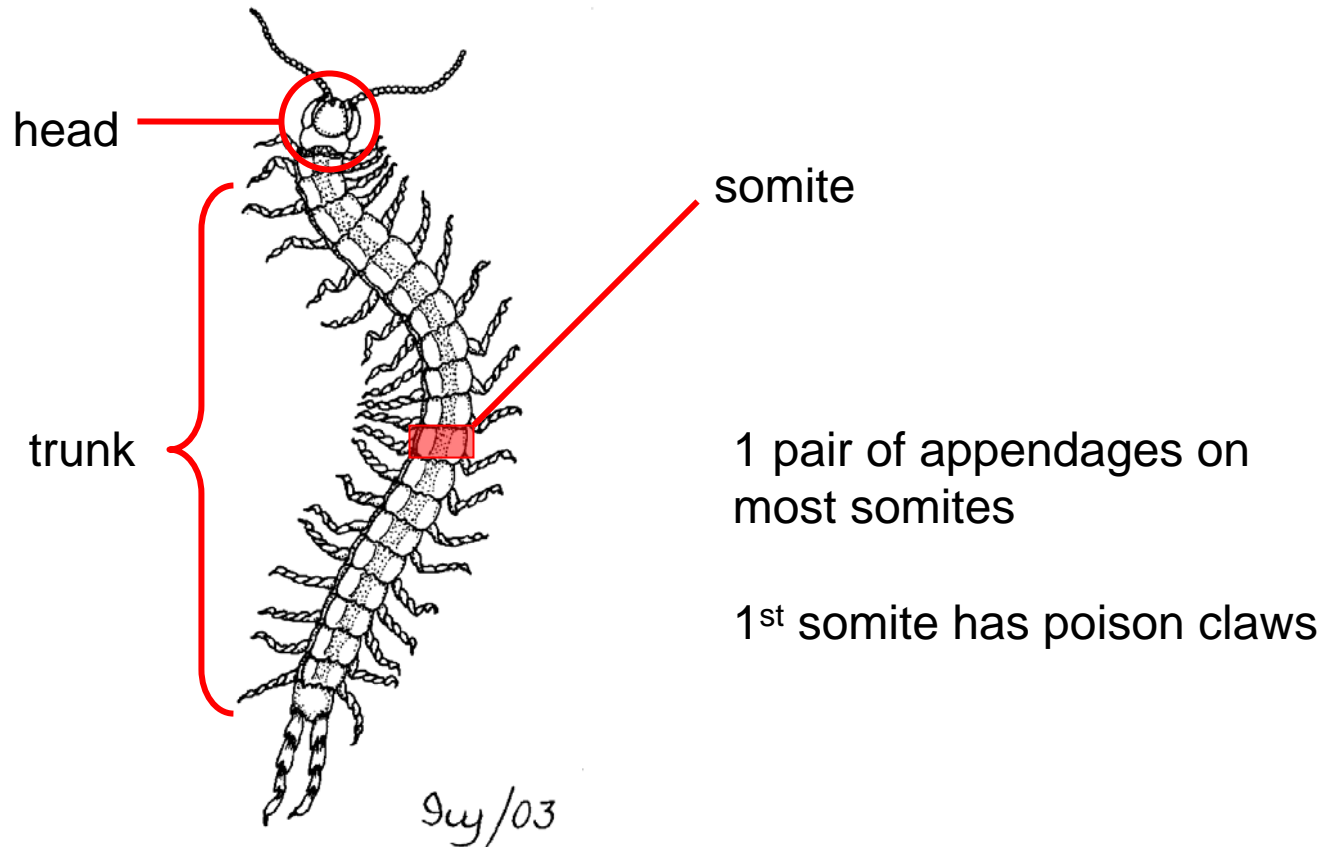
- centipedes
- active predators
- body is slightly flattened dorsoventrally

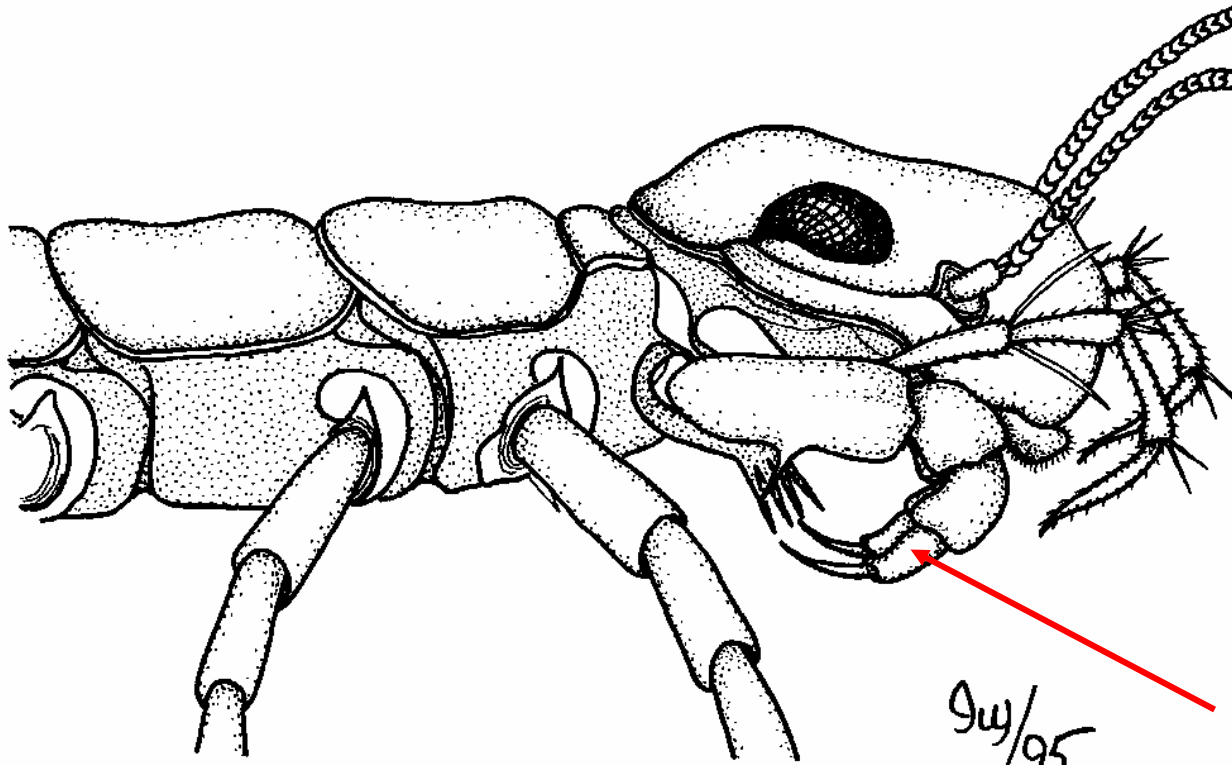


# Subphylum Uniramia

## Class Chilopoda

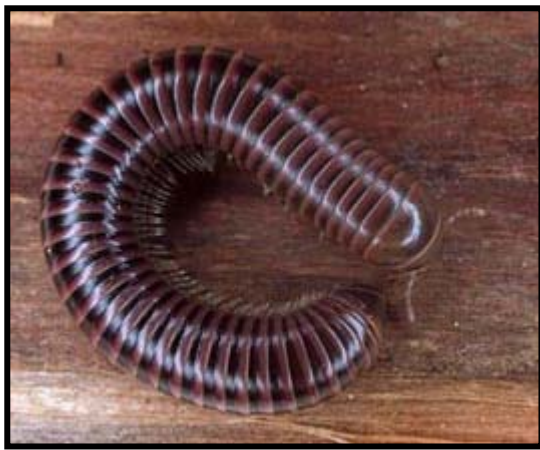
- 2 tagmata:





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maxilliped



Subphylum Uniramia  
**Class Diplopoda**

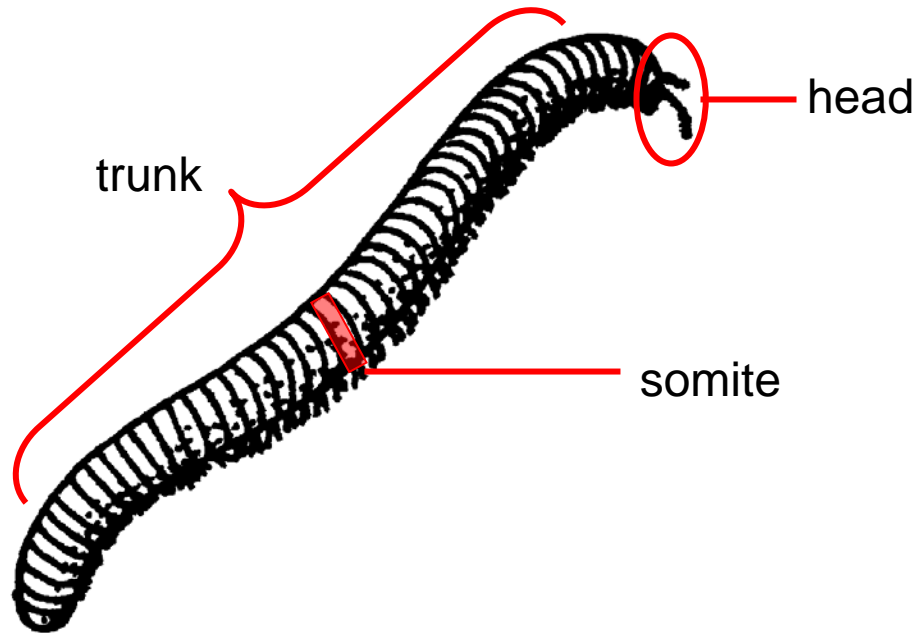
- millipedes
- generally herbivores + detritovores
- body is cylindrical



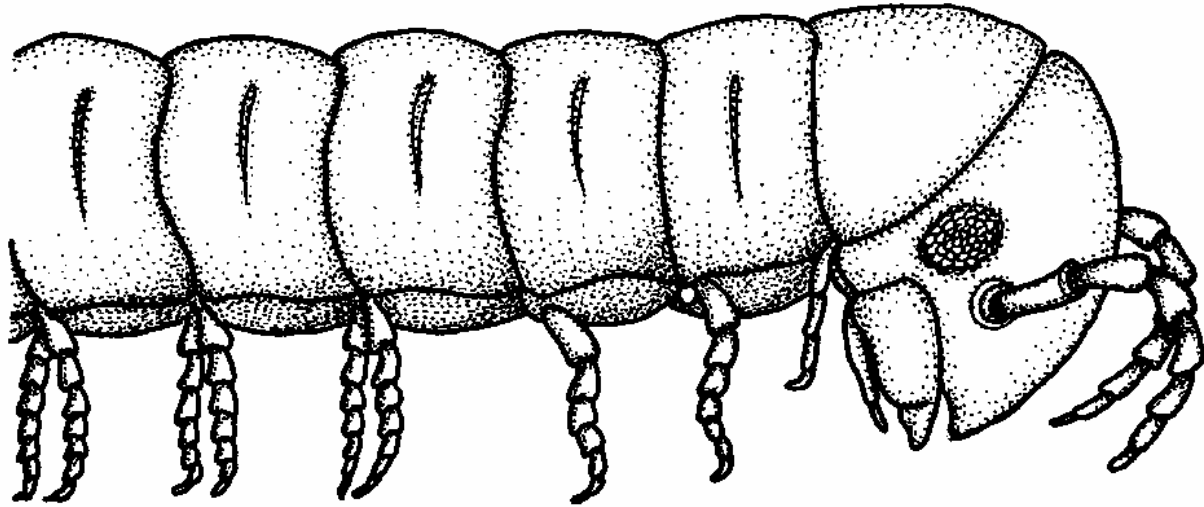
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## Class Diplopoda

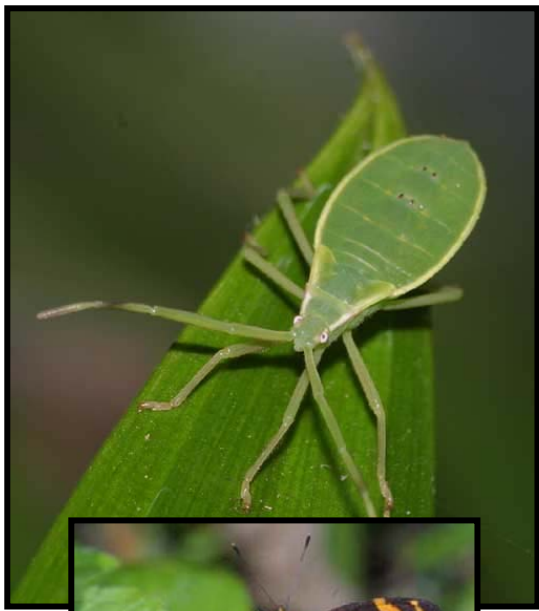
- 2 tagmata:



2 pairs of appendages on most somites



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## Subphylum Uniramia Class Insecta

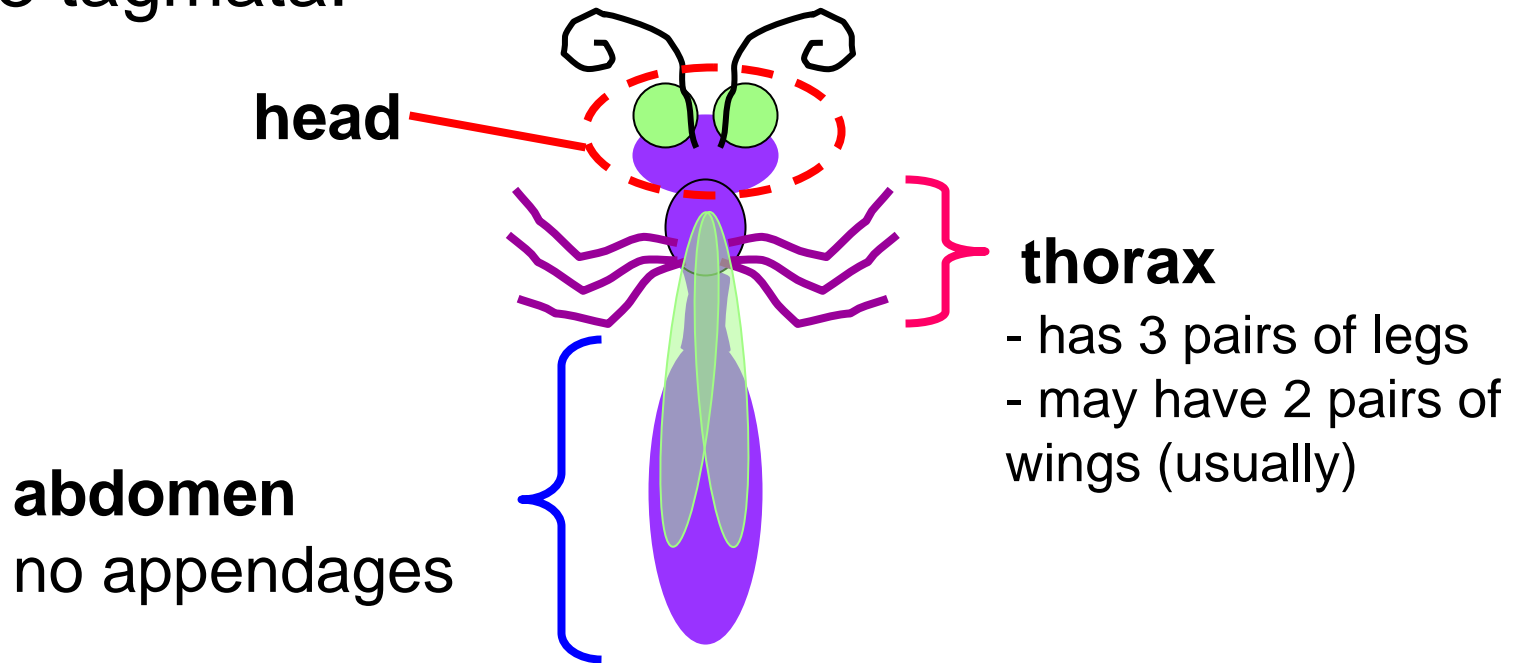
Most numerous and diverse group of the arthropods  
~ 1 million species with many still undiscovered and undescribed



# Class Insecta

## Characteristics

- 3 tagmata:





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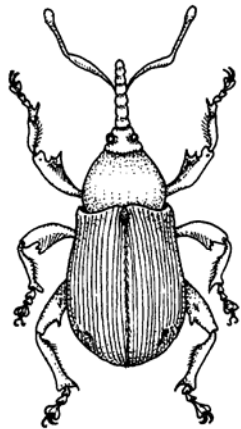
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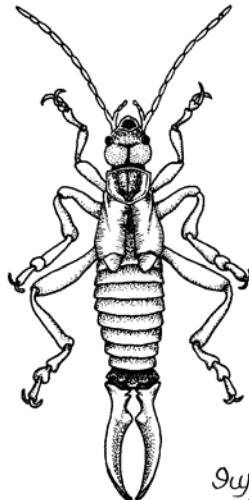
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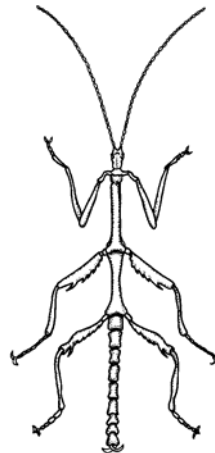
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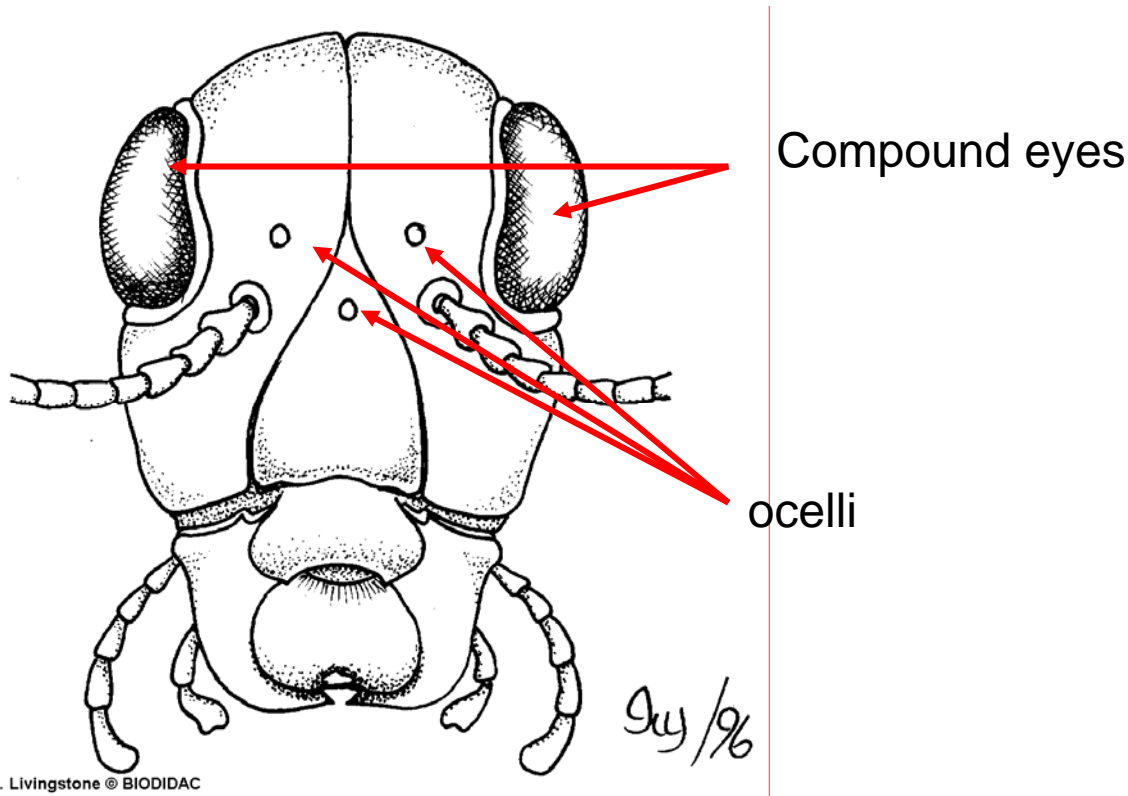
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# Class Insecta

## Characteristics

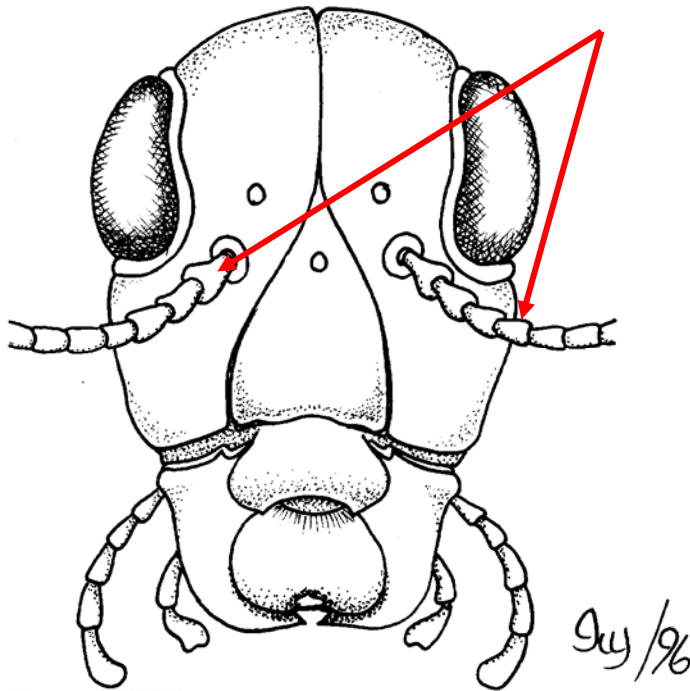
- a pair of large compound eyes, and usually 3 ocelli on the head



# Class Insecta

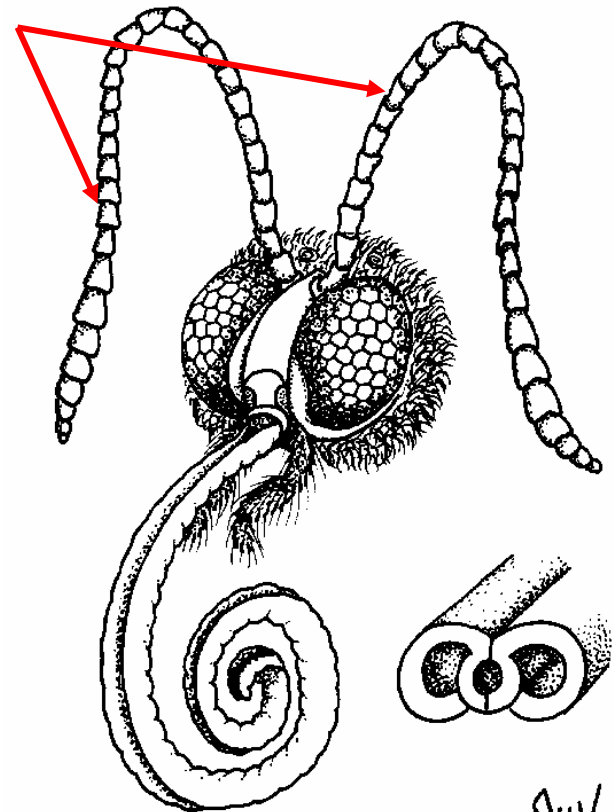
## Characteristics

- a pair of antennae



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antennae



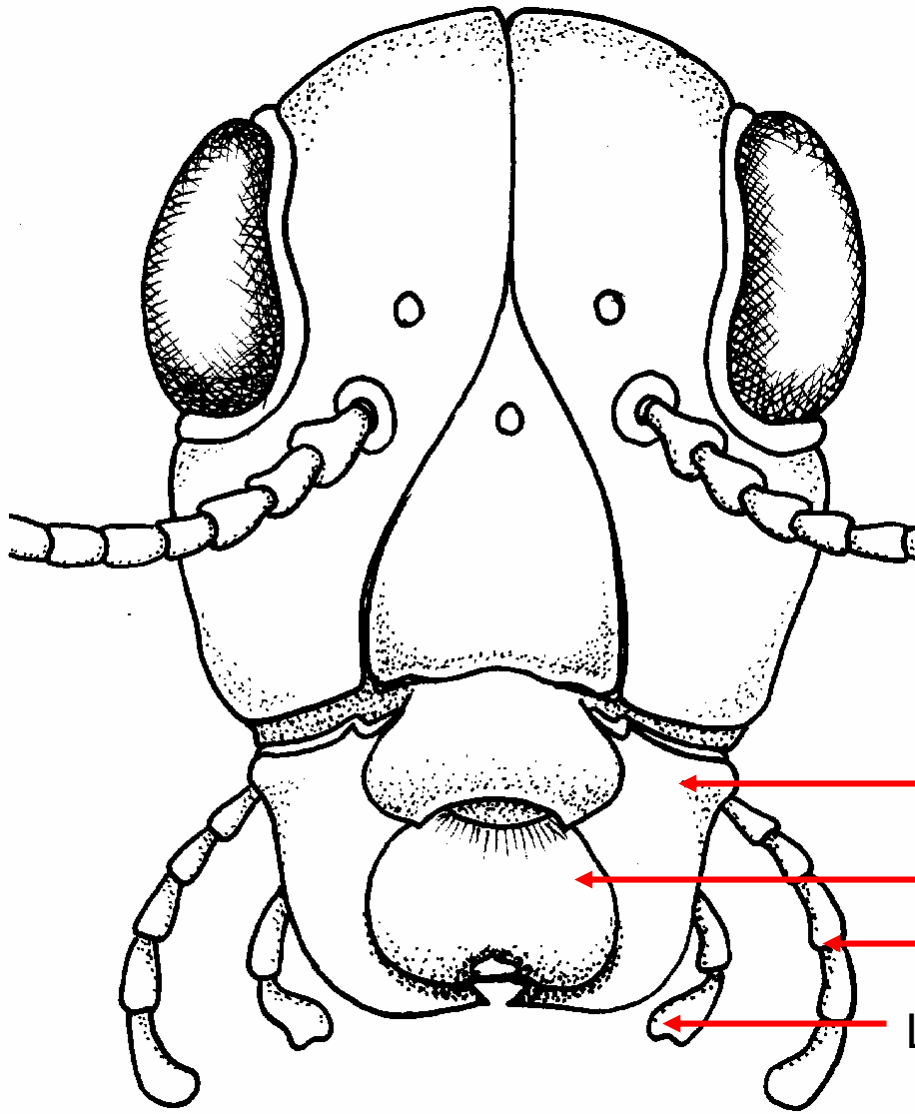
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# Class Insecta

## Characteristics

- characteristic mouthparts
  1. A labrum
  2. A pair of mandibles
  3. A pair of maxillae
  4. A labium
  5. A hypopharynx (tongue)



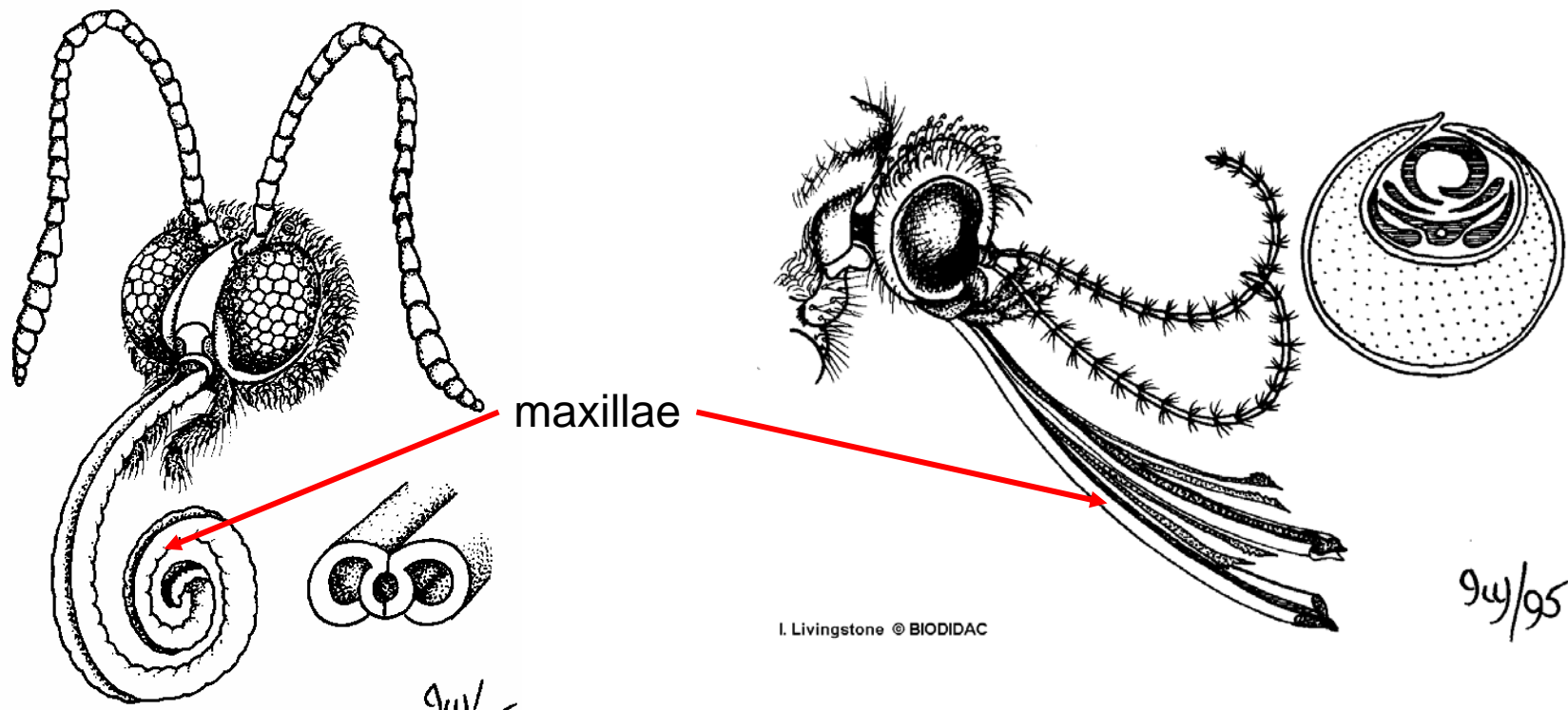
Mandible: jaws

Labrum: upper lib

Maxillae: handle food

Labium: lower lip

# These mouthparts are highly modified for different types of feeding:



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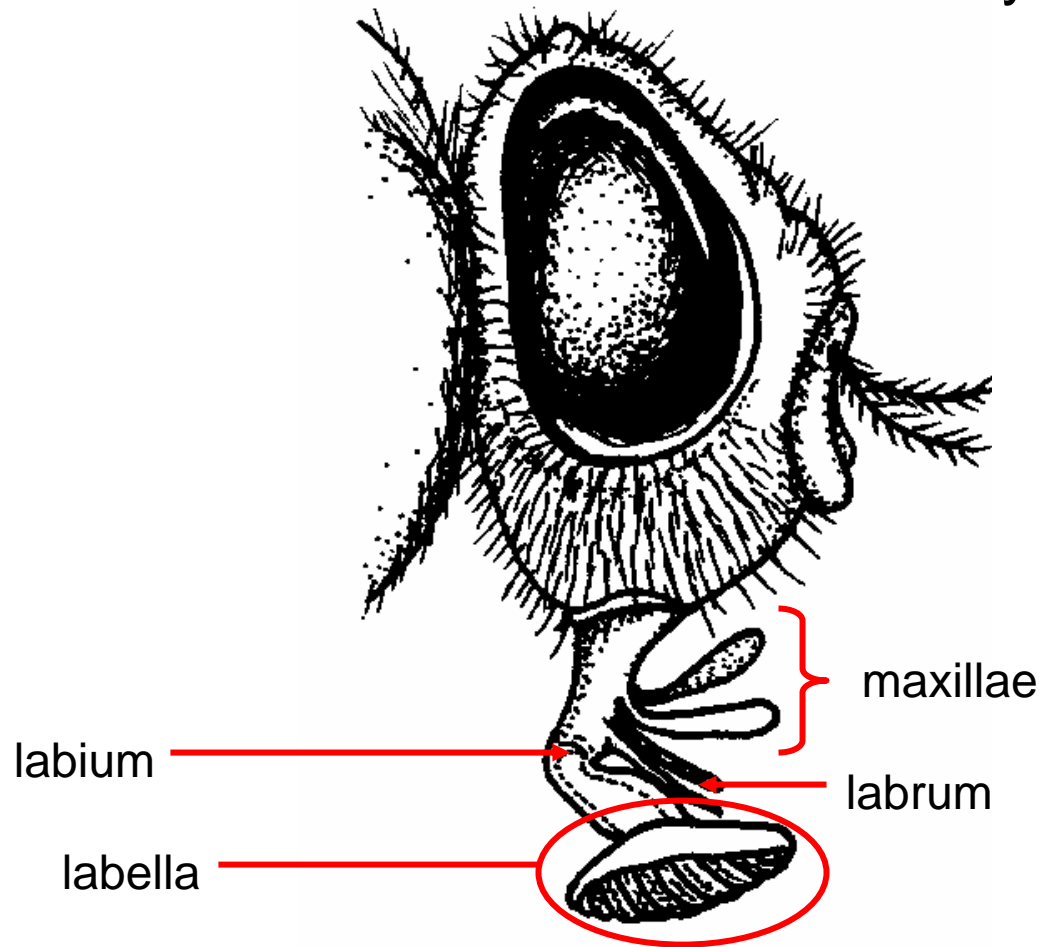
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Butterfly: siphoning

Mosquito: piercing and sucking

# Horsefly: sponging



# Class Insecta

## Characteristics

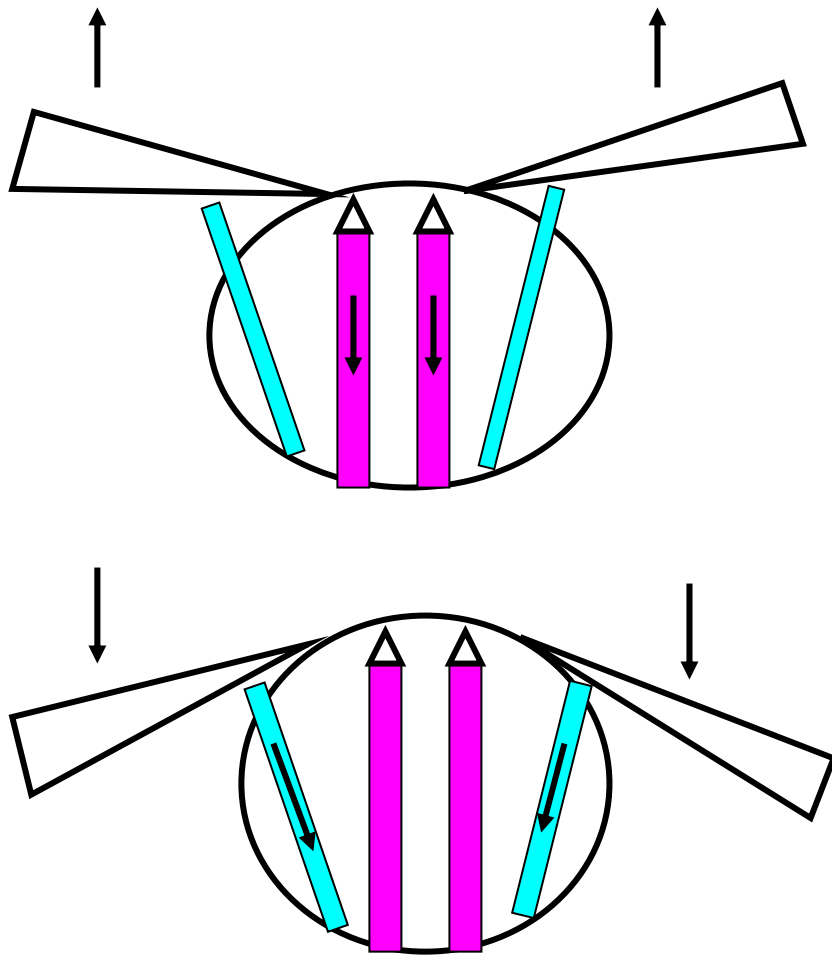
- Wings



Most insects have 2 pairs of wings on the thorax

The wings are derived from outgrowths of the body wall and are made of the cuticle

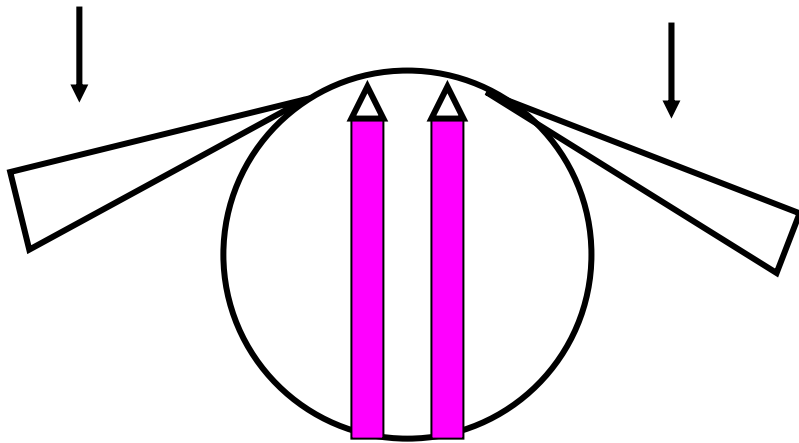
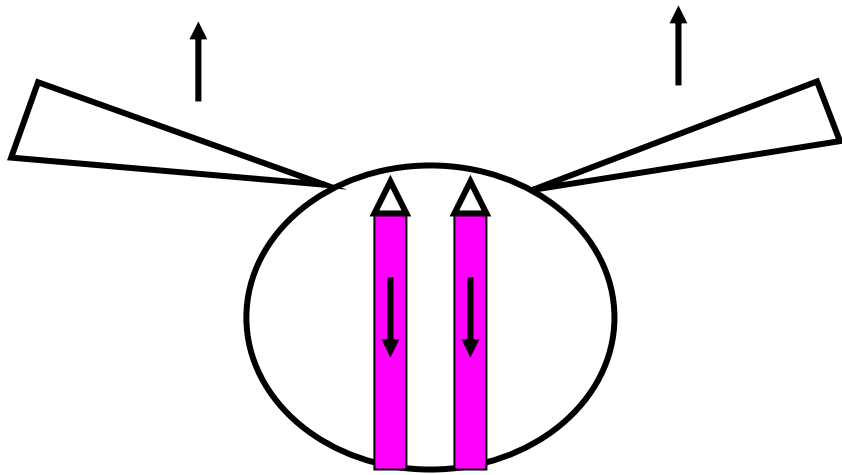
Some insects have both direct and indirect flight muscles (e.g. Orthoptera, Odonata).



- indirect muscles pull body wall down and lift wings
- direct muscles pull the wings down

**direct**

**indirect**



Some insects have only indirect flight muscles (e.g. Diptera, Hymenoptera).

In these insects, the wings are moved by altering the shape of the thorax.

**indirect**

# Class Insecta

## Characteristics

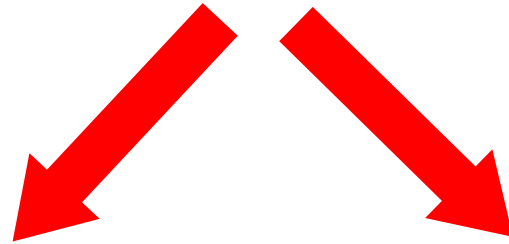
- Most insects undergo metamorphosis:

growing  
non-reproducing  
larva or nymph  
**no wings**



non-growing  
reproducing  
adult  
**usually have wings**

Insects are separated into 2 subclasses based on whether they undergo metamorphosis and develop wings.



## **Subclass Apterygota**

- primitive insects that do not have wings



silverfish

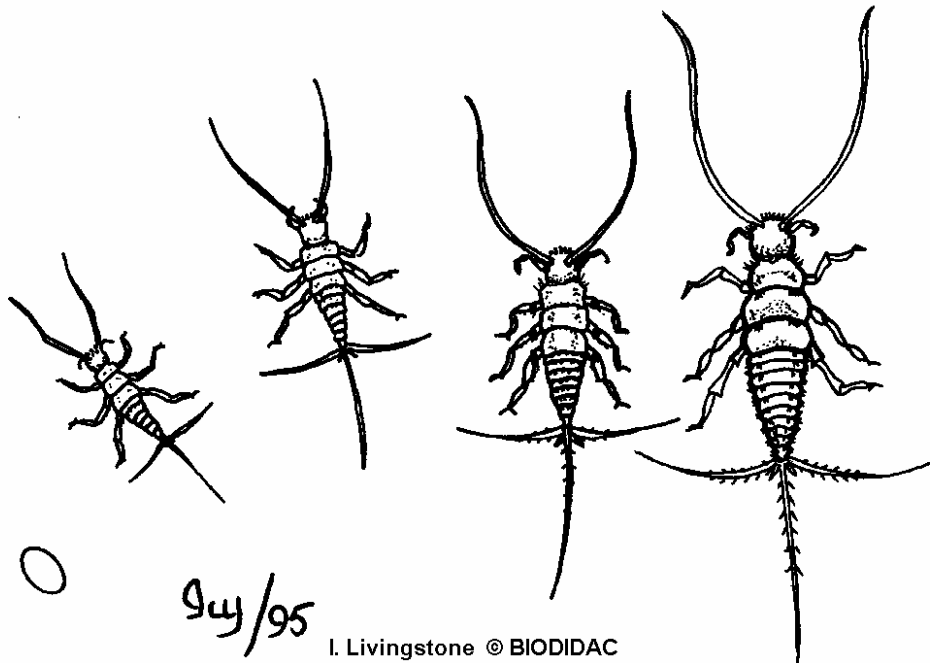
## **Subclass Pterygota**

- insects that develop wings via 2 types of metamorphosis

# Class Insecta

## Subclass Apterygota

Direct development: no metamorphosis, no wings

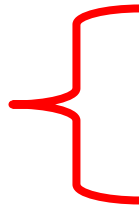


# Class Insecta

## Subclass Pterygota

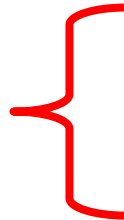
2 types of Metamorphosis:

**Division  
Exopterygota**



Hemimetabolous  
(incomplete metamorphosis)

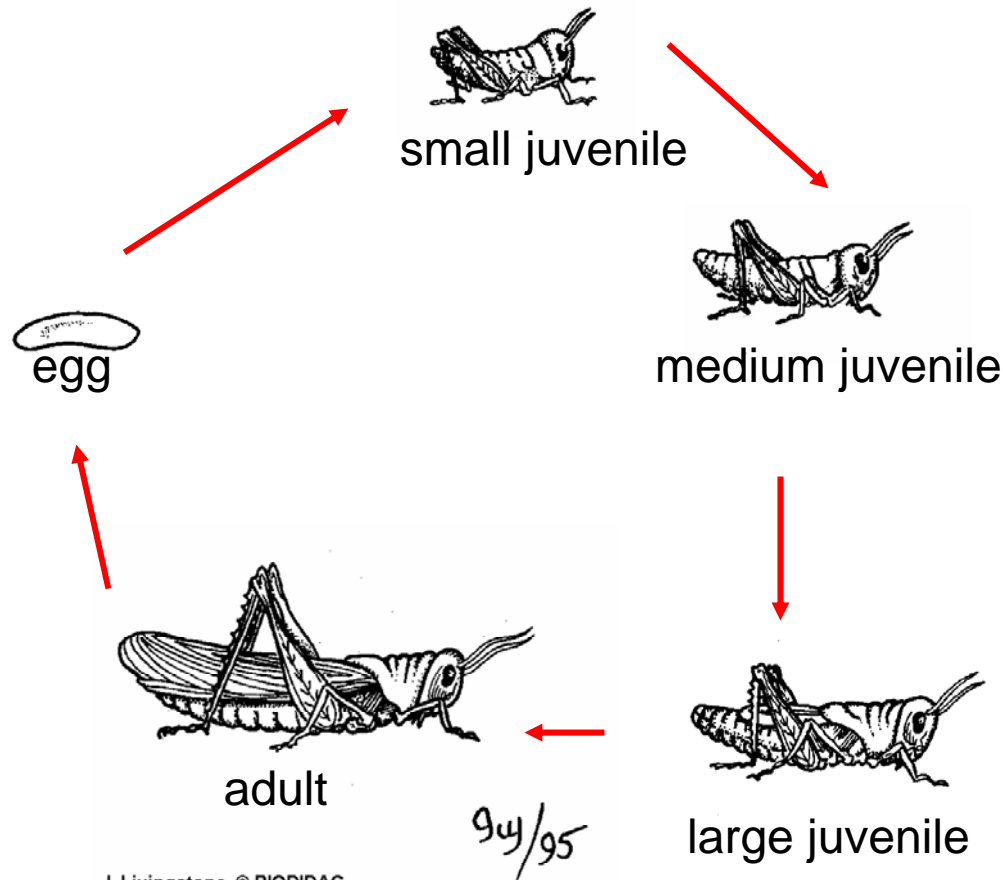
**Division  
Endopterygota**



Holometabolous  
(complete metamorphosis)

# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

## Division Exopterygota



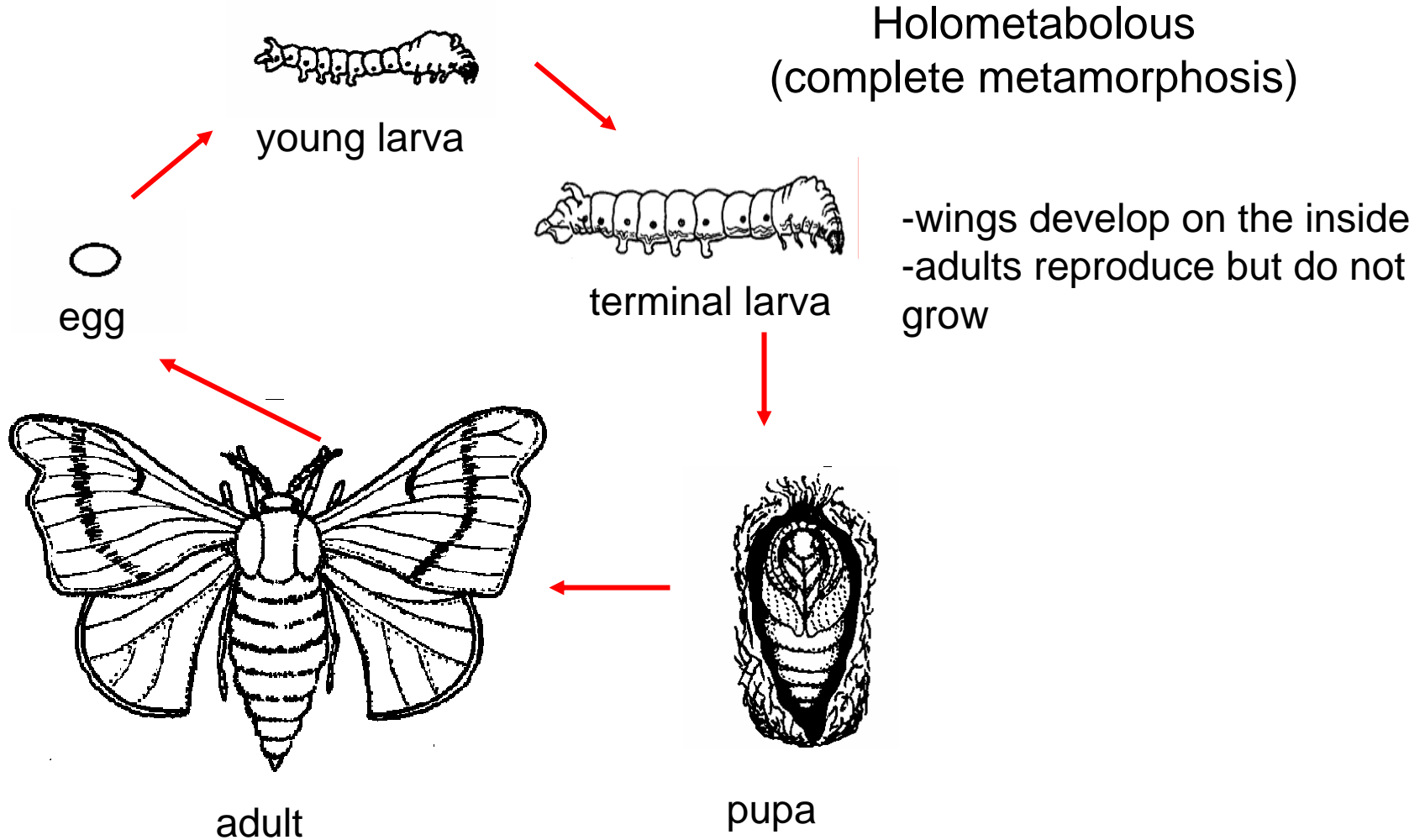
Hemimetabolous  
(incomplete metamorphosis)

- wings develop on the outside
- adults reproduce but do not grow

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# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

## Division Endopterygota



# **Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota**

## **Division Exopterygota**

**Hemimetabolous  
(incomplete metamorphosis)**

**5 ORDERS:**

**Order Orthoptera**

**Order Isoptera**

**Order Odonata**

**Order Hemiptera**

**Order Homoptera**

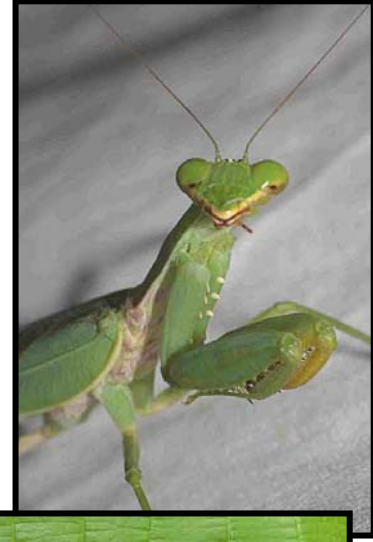
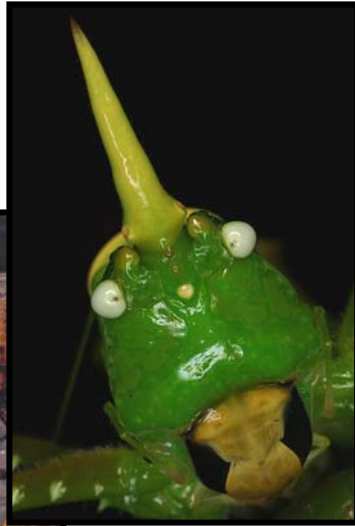
# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

## Division Exopterygota



### Order Orthoptera

crickets, grasshoppers, roaches, mantids

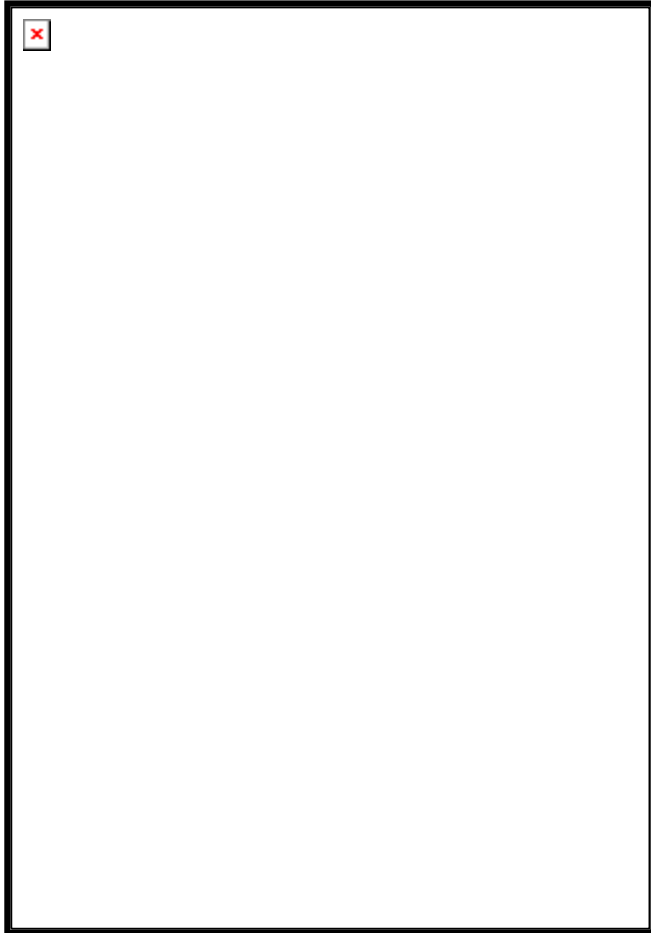


# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

## Division Exopterygota

### Order Isoptera

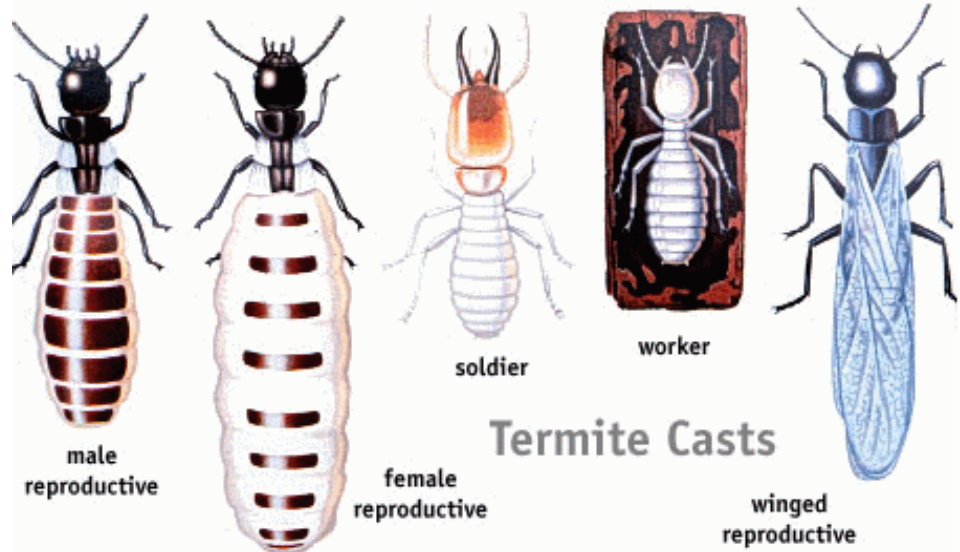
termites



# Ecology

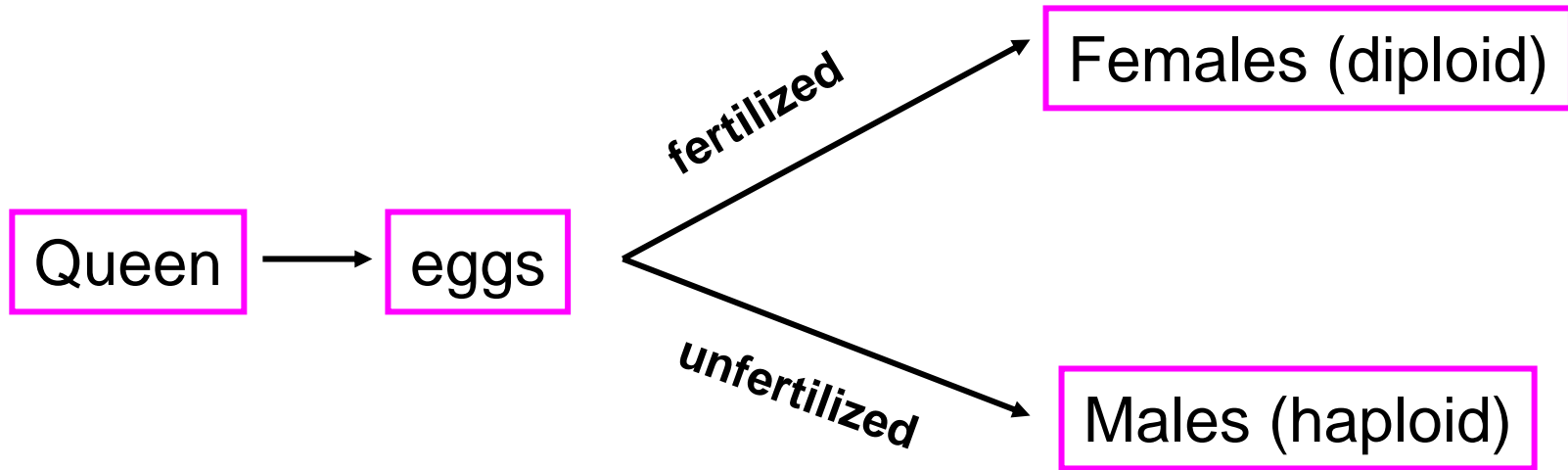
Eusocial (truly social) insects (Hymenoptera and Isoptera) live in societies characterized by:

- Cooperative care of young
- Overlap of generations
- Polymorphism (caste system)



# Ecology

## Haplodiploid Sex Determination



This method of sex determination along with the ability of queens to store sperm, allows the queen to control the sex of her offspring

Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

# Division Exopterygota

Order Odonata

dragonflies, damselflies



# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

## Division Exopterygota

### Order Hemiptera

True bugs: assassin bugs, bedbugs



# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

## Division Exopterygota

### Order Homoptera

cicadas, aphids, leaf hoppers



# **Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota**

## **Division Endopterygota**

**Holometabolous  
(complete metamorphosis)**

**4 ORDERS:**

**Order Coleoptera**

**Order Lepidoptera**

**Order Hymenoptera**

**Order Diptera**

# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

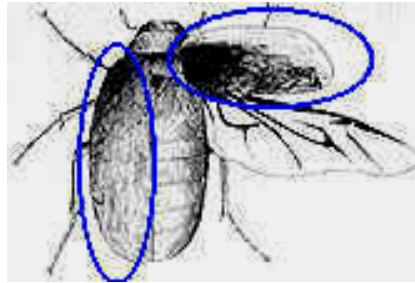
## Division Exopterygota



### Order Coleoptera

beetles

-top pair of wings is modified into an armor-like covering called an elytra



There are at 350, 000 described species of beetle:

When asked what his studies of nature had revealed about God, J.B.S. Haldane, the renowned British physiologist and philosopher, is said to have replied: "an inordinate fondness for beetles."

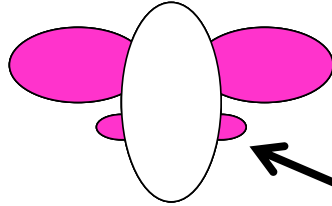
# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

## Division Exopterygota

### Order Diptera

Flies, mosquitoes

- have only 1 pair of flying wings
- 2<sup>nd</sup> pair of wings are reduced to halteres + used in balance



# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

## Division Exopterygota

### Order Hymenoptera

bees, wasps, ants

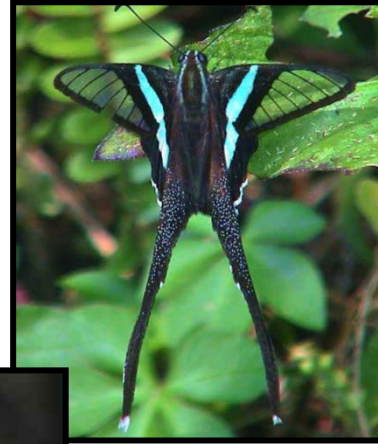


# Class Insecta, Subclass Pterygota

# Division Exopterygota

## Order Lepidoptera

butterflies, moths



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butterflies, moths

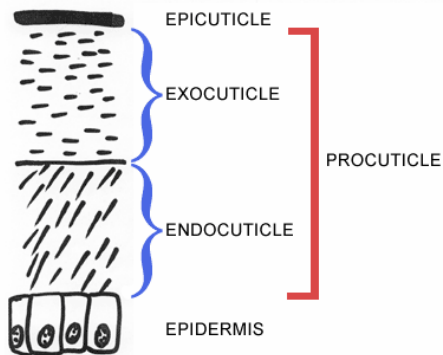


**What characteristics have  
enabled Insects to be so  
successful?**

# 1. Desiccation resistance

Insects have several adaptations that prevent them from dehydrating on land:

- a. Waxy epicuticle
- b. Resistant egg shells
- c. Tracheal system



## 2. Wings:

Wings have enabled insects to access food and resources they wouldn't be able to reach otherwise

Wings have also allowed insects to disperse great distances and colonize new habitats

Primitively, insects held their wings outstretched (like a dragonfly)



The ability to fold the wings, allowed insects to access areas they couldn't previously



# 5. Metamorphosis

Metamorphosis reduced competition between larvae and adults



Larvae feed on milkweed leaves



Adults feed on milkweed flowers

# Plant Insect interactions

## Insects are important pollinators

Many flowering plants have evolved to exploit insects as pollinators

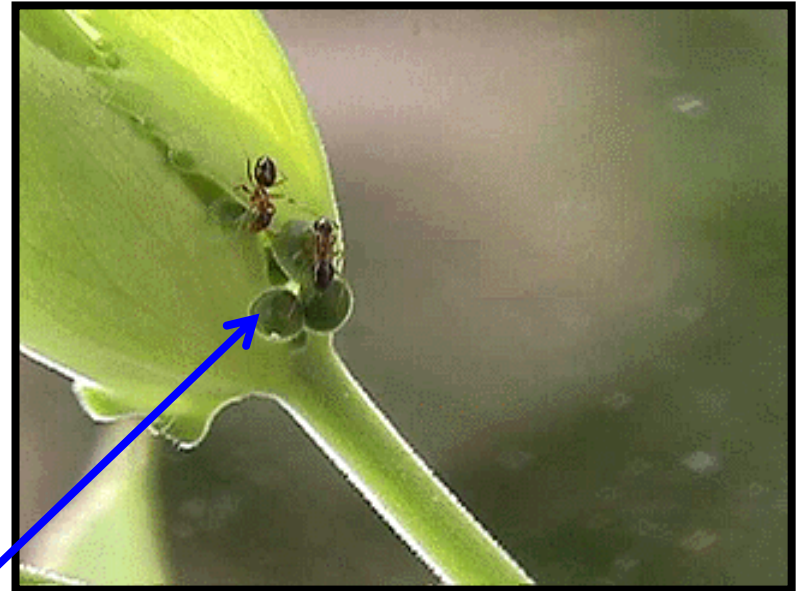
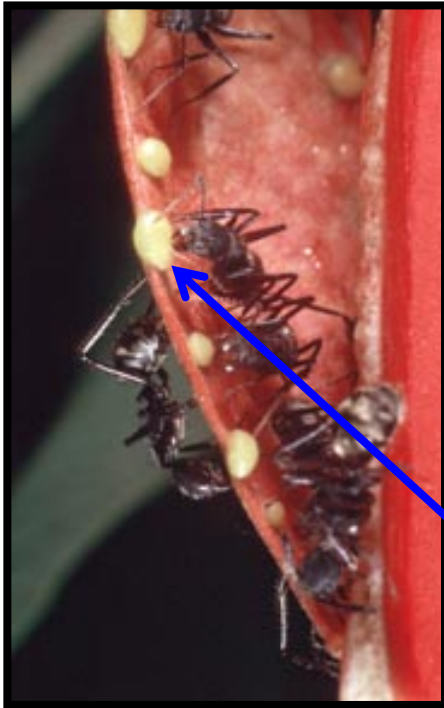


**Sexually deceptive orchids**

# Plant Insect interactions

## Insects are important pollinators

Many flowering plants have evolved rewards to attract pollinators (nectar)...



Extrafloral nectaries

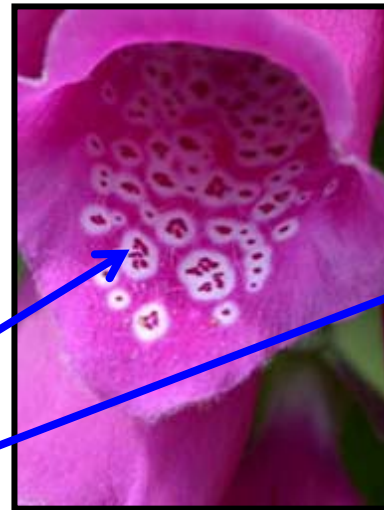
# Plant Insect interactions

## Insects are important pollinators

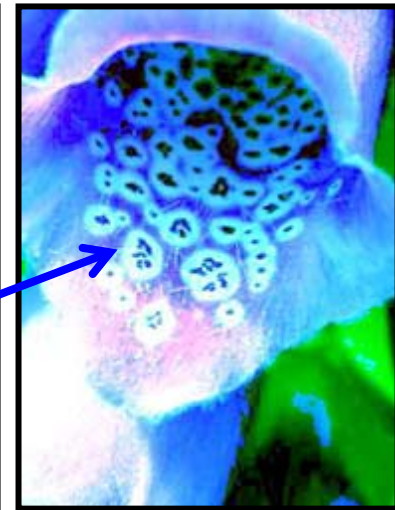
- ... and displays to advertise these rewards.



Nectar guides



Visible light  
(what we see)



UV light  
(what a bee sees)

# Plant Insect interactions

## Mutualisms

Some insects are involved in obligate mutualisms (both partners require one another). These are often plant-pollinator relationships.



**Figs and fig wasps**



**Yucca and Yucca Moths**

# Plant Insect interactions

## Herbivory

Some insects feed on plant materials without benefiting the plant



# Faculty Research on Plant- Insect Interactions



Dr. Brian Inouye: Host  
parasitoid interactions in  
gall forming wasps



Dr. Nora Underwood:  
Plant resistance and  
herbivore population  
dynamics

Galls: irregular plant growth induced by an insect or mite.

The galls are the result of an interaction between plant hormones and growth regulating compounds produced by the insect.

The insect lives within the gall which provides nutrients and shelter



Some gall forming insects are involved in mutualisms with ants.



Gall former induces plant to secrete a sweet substance

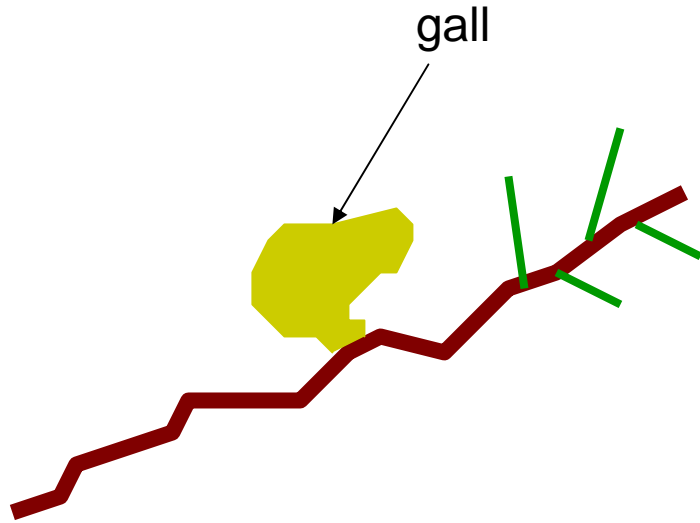


Ants feed on the sweet substance and protect the gall from parasitoids

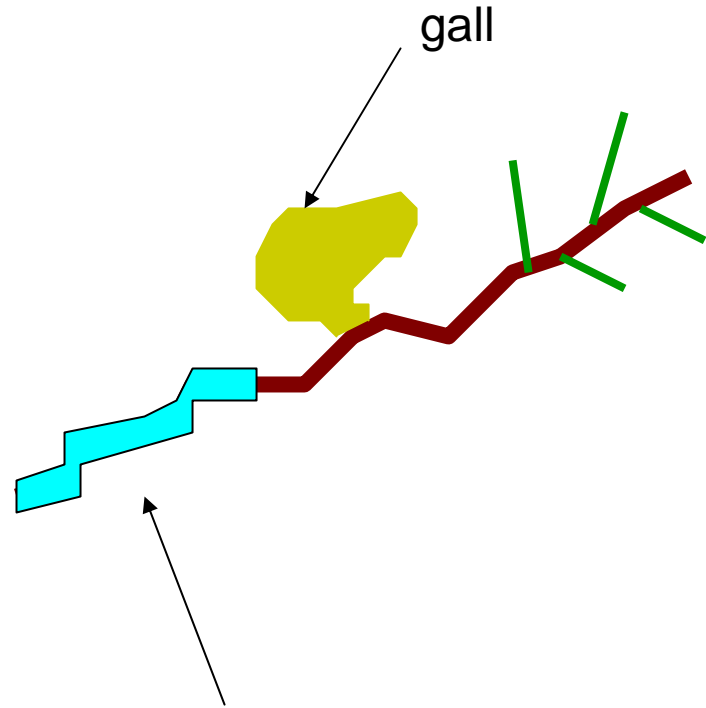


How do these ants affect *Disholcaspis*, and the community of parasitoids that parasitize them?

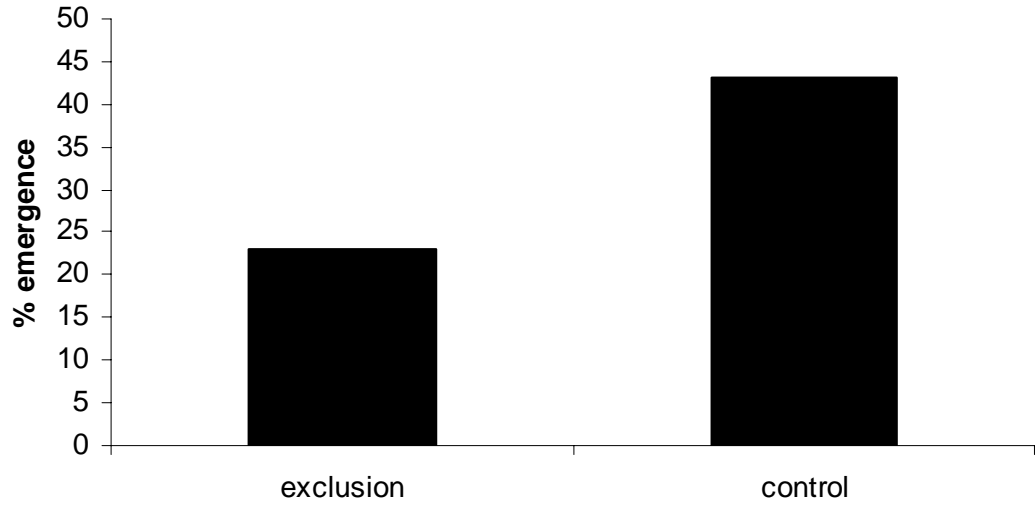
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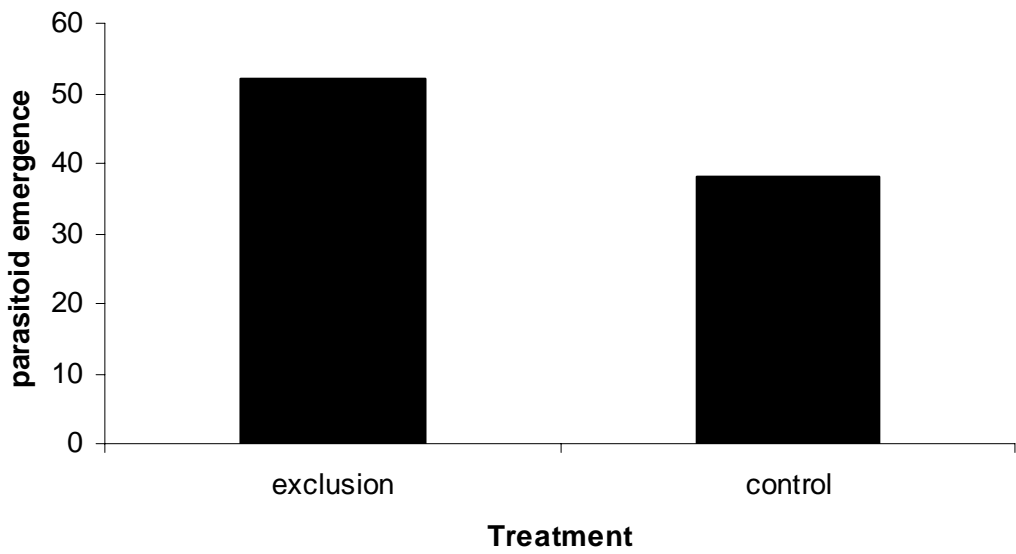
Exclusion



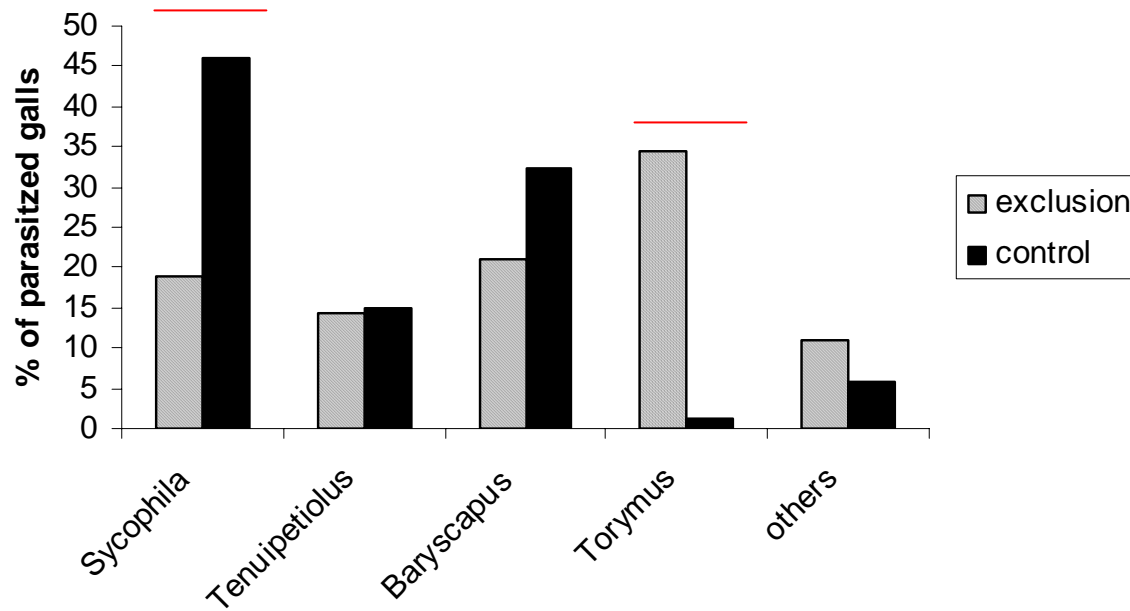
Tanglefoot: sticky substance that traps insects  
The treatment is effective in excluding ants.



Ant tended galls have higher emergence rates



Ant tended galls have lower rates of parasitoid attack



Tending ants affect the community of parasitoids emerging from *Disholcaspis* galls