

Bowel Obstruction

Small Bowel

Sx

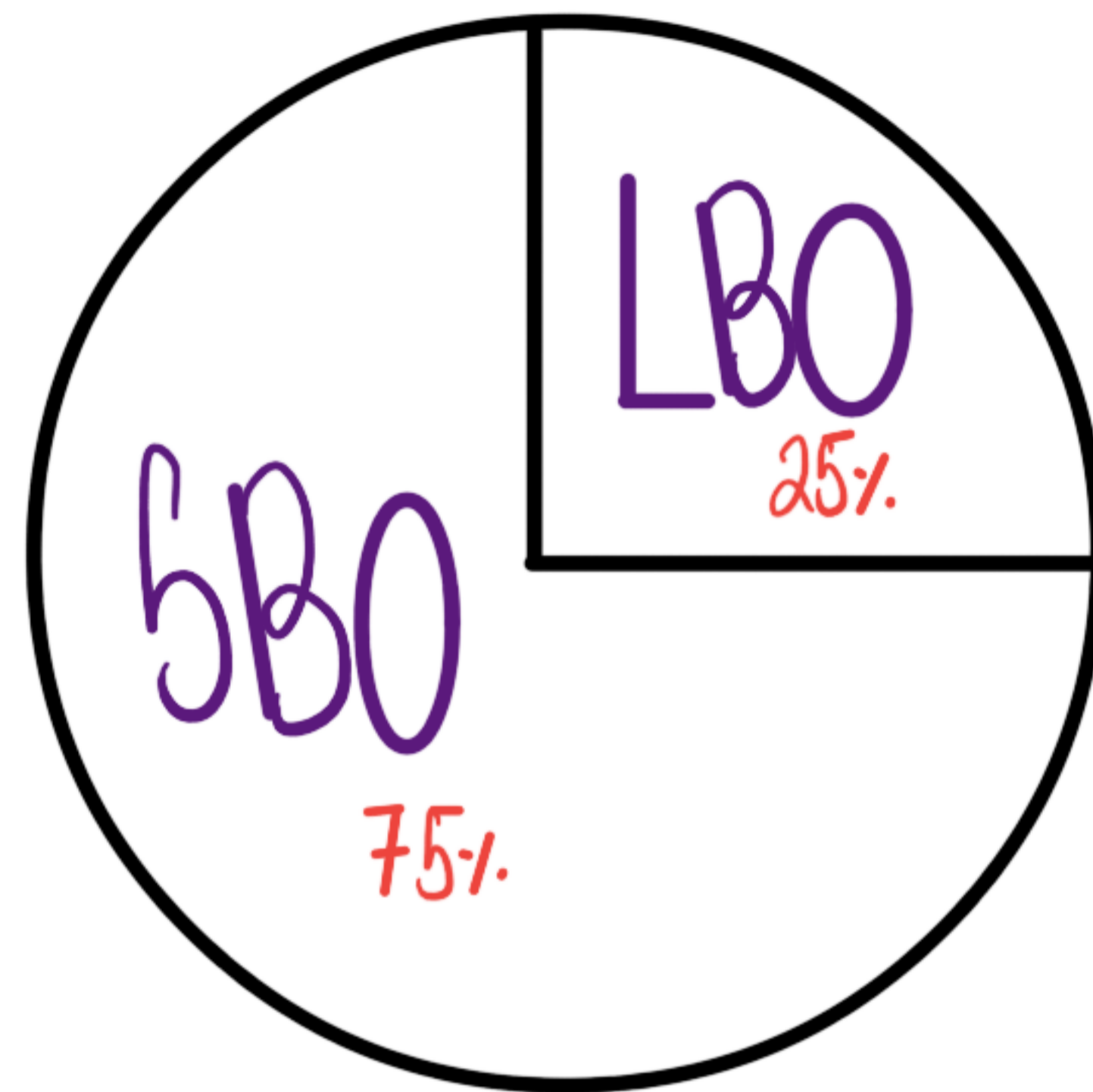
- ↑↑ Nausea/Vomiting
- ↑ Distention
- Pain: Colicky
- ↓ BM

Dx

- Adhesion
- Hernia
- Cancer
- Stricture
- Other-rare

Rx

- IVF
- NPO
- NG Decompression PRN
- Surgery < 50%



Key Differences

Sx

SBO: N/V > Distention

LBO: Distention > N/V

Dx

SBO: Adhesion
Hernia

LBO: Cancer
Volvulus

Rx

SBO: Supportive >
surgery

LBO: surgery >
supportive

Large Bowel

Sx

- ↑ Nausea/Vomiting
- ↑↑ Distention
- Pain: Persistent
- ↓ BM

Dx

- Cancer
- Volvulus
- Stricture
- Adhesive
- Other-rare

Rx

- IVF
- NPO
- ∅ Decompression Unless sigmoid Volvulus
- Surgery > 50%