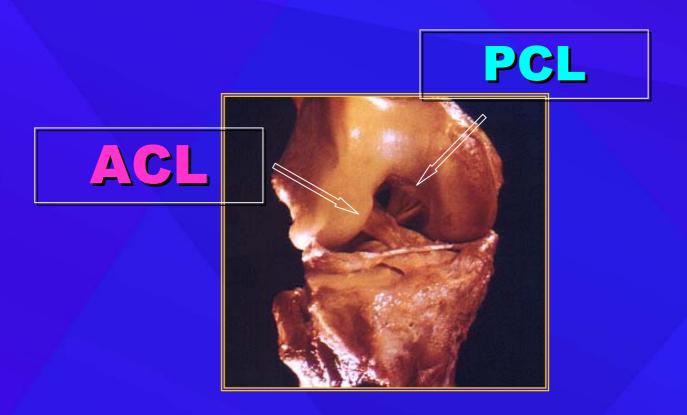
INTRODUCTION



WIDELY INVESTIGATED

COMPLETE THE NUMERICAL DESCRIPTION OF ACL and PCL FIBERS DURING RANGE OF MOTION

8 FRESH CADAVERIC KNEES; COMPUTER DISSECTION WITH FARO ARM

(0.3 mm/0.3° accuracy)



Martelli, Comp Meth&Progr in Med (2003)

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PERFORMED TESTS

- > PROM
- > DRAWER TEST
- > I-E ROTATION AT 90° OF FLEXION



MAT. AND METHODS

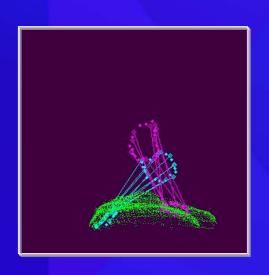
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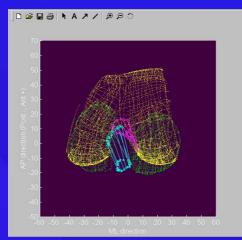
- > TIBIAL SURFACE
- > FEMORAL SURFACE
- > INSERTIONS AREA OF PCL
- > 9 LINEAR FIBERS ON PCL (AL/PM B)

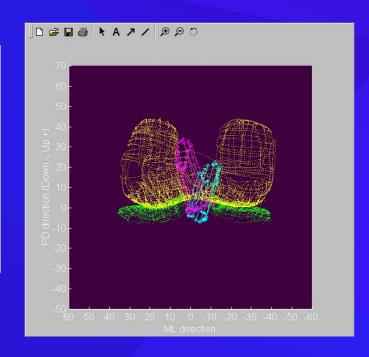




COMPUTER ELABORATION AND 3D INTERACTIVE JOINT DISPLAY







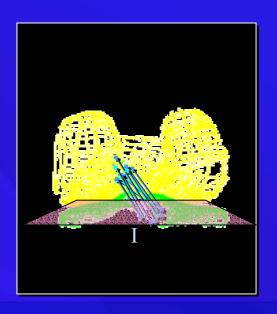
LIGAMENTS ANALYSIS

- Elongation during PROM + IE
- Orientation during PROM + IE
- Rotation during PROM + IE

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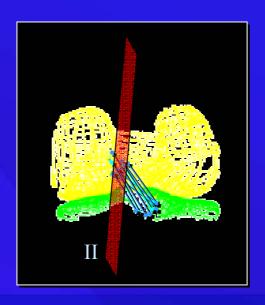
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> I TIBIAL PLATEAU

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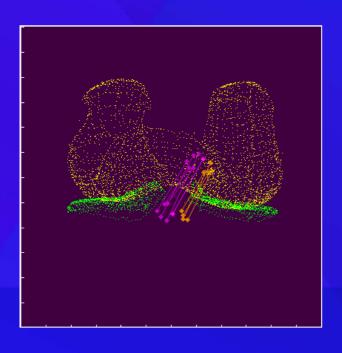
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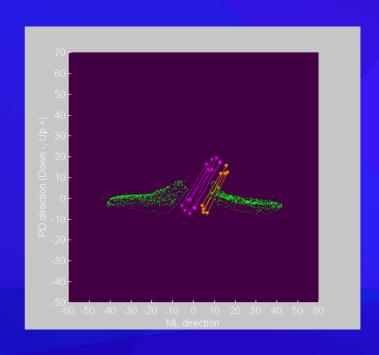


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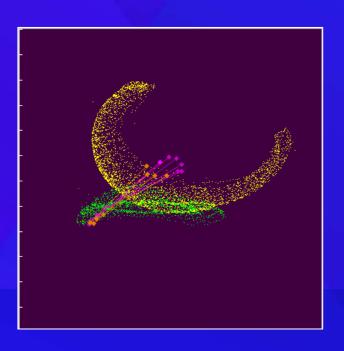
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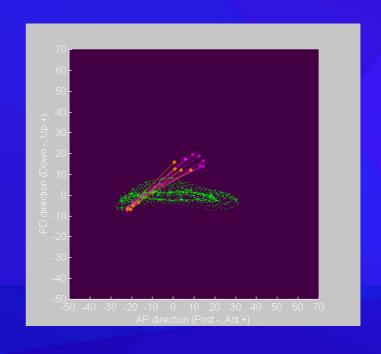




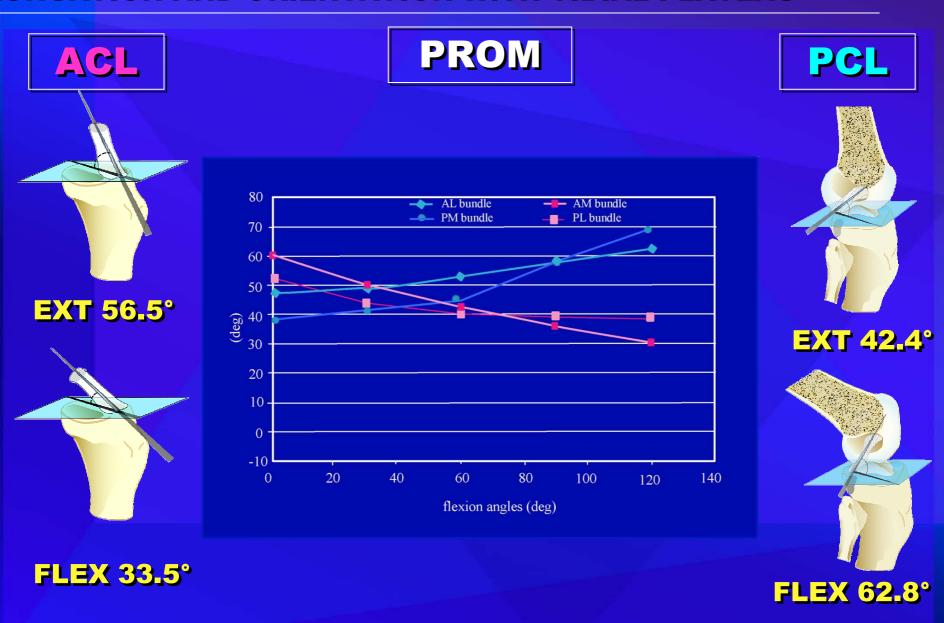
FIBERS COMPUTATION

TWISTING





ONGATION AND ORIENTATION WITH TIBIAL PLATEAU



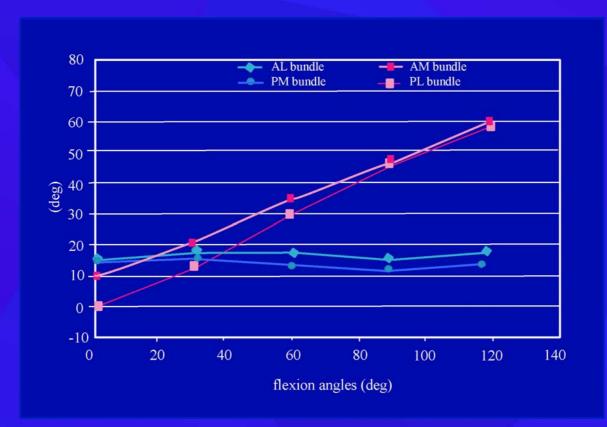
Elongation and ORIENTATION WITH FEMORAL NOTCH

ACL

PROM

PCL





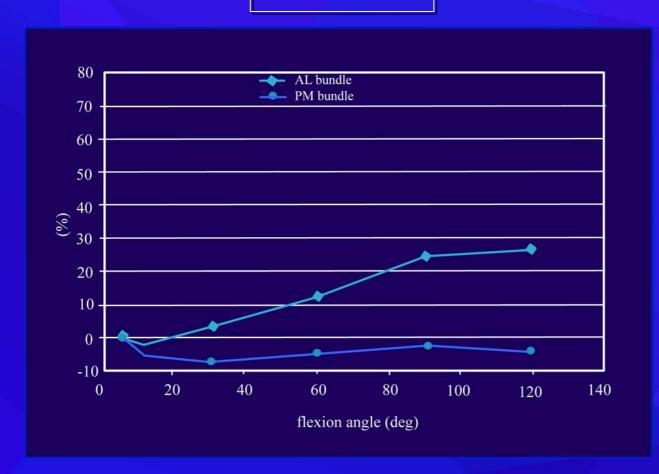


FLEX 16.4°

FLEX 58.4°

RESULTS: ELONGATION

PROM



AL B. INCREASES
LENGTH 25%

PM B. DECREASES
LENGTH 4.5%

RESULTS: TWISTING



TWISTING AMOUNT
DEPENDS ON THE
CHOSEN AXIS OF
ROTATION, e.g. EITHER
THE LIGAMENT OR
THE FEMORAL AXIS