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The Orientation of Acetabulum –The Definitions
and Measuring Methods

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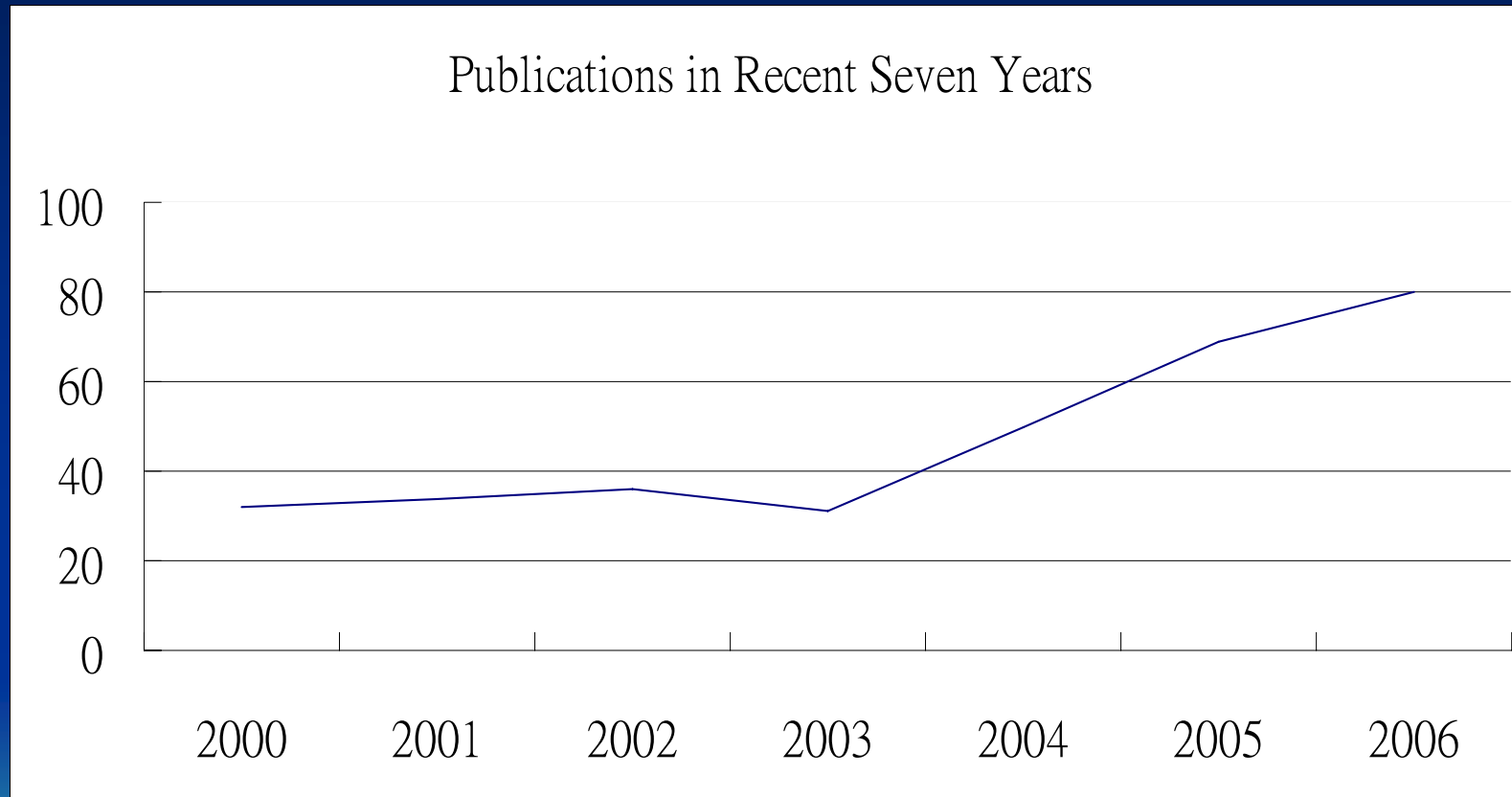
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Introduction



The Academic Importance of Acetabular Orientations



Searching in Medline with keywords of “acetabulum version”, “acetabulum anteversion”, “acetabulum retroversion”, or “acetabulum orientation”

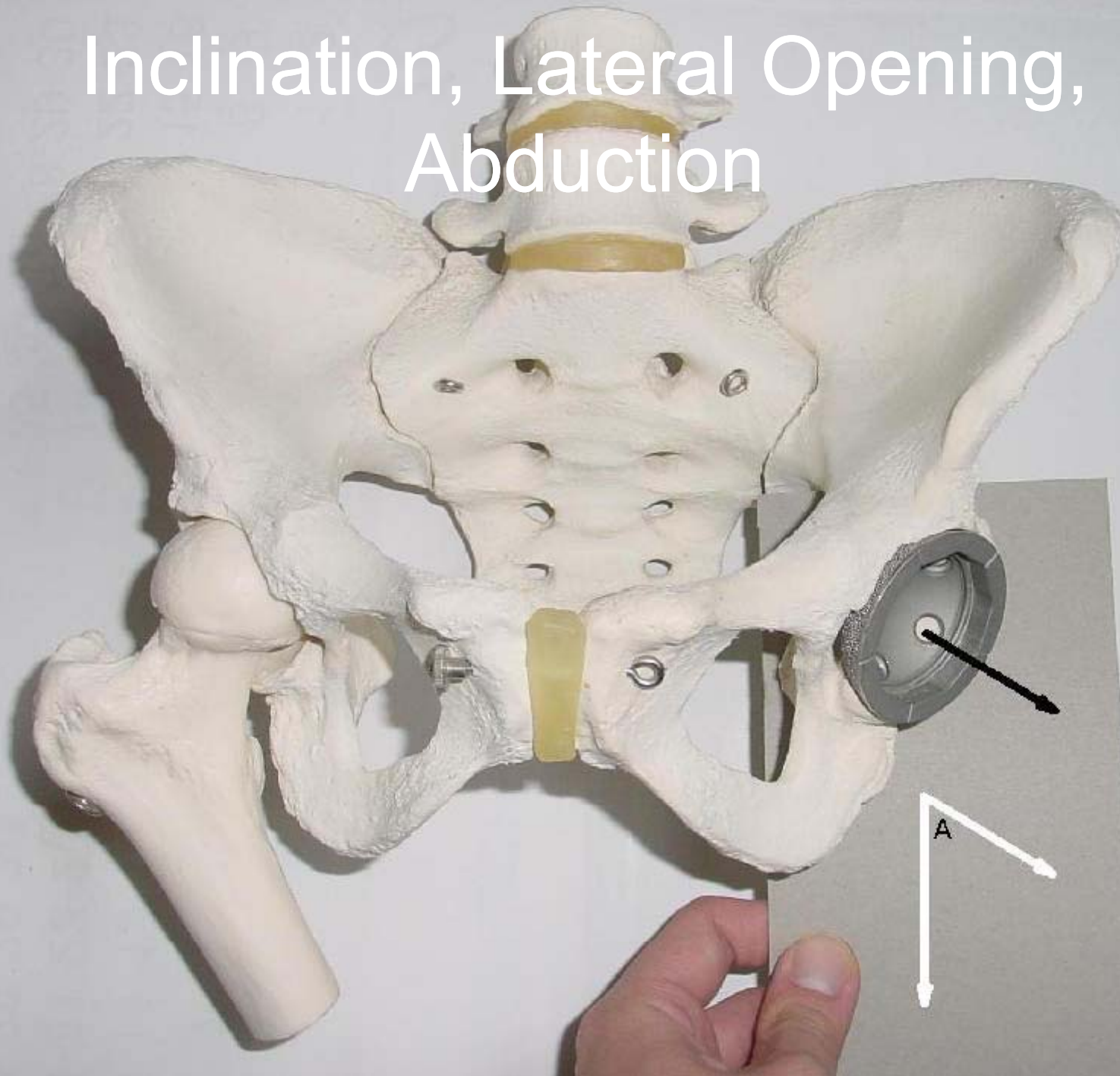
Definitions

- According to Murrey's report
 - Inclination, lateral opening, abduction
 - Anatomical anteversion, true anteversion
 - Radiographic anteversion, planar anteversion
 - Operative anteversion, flexion

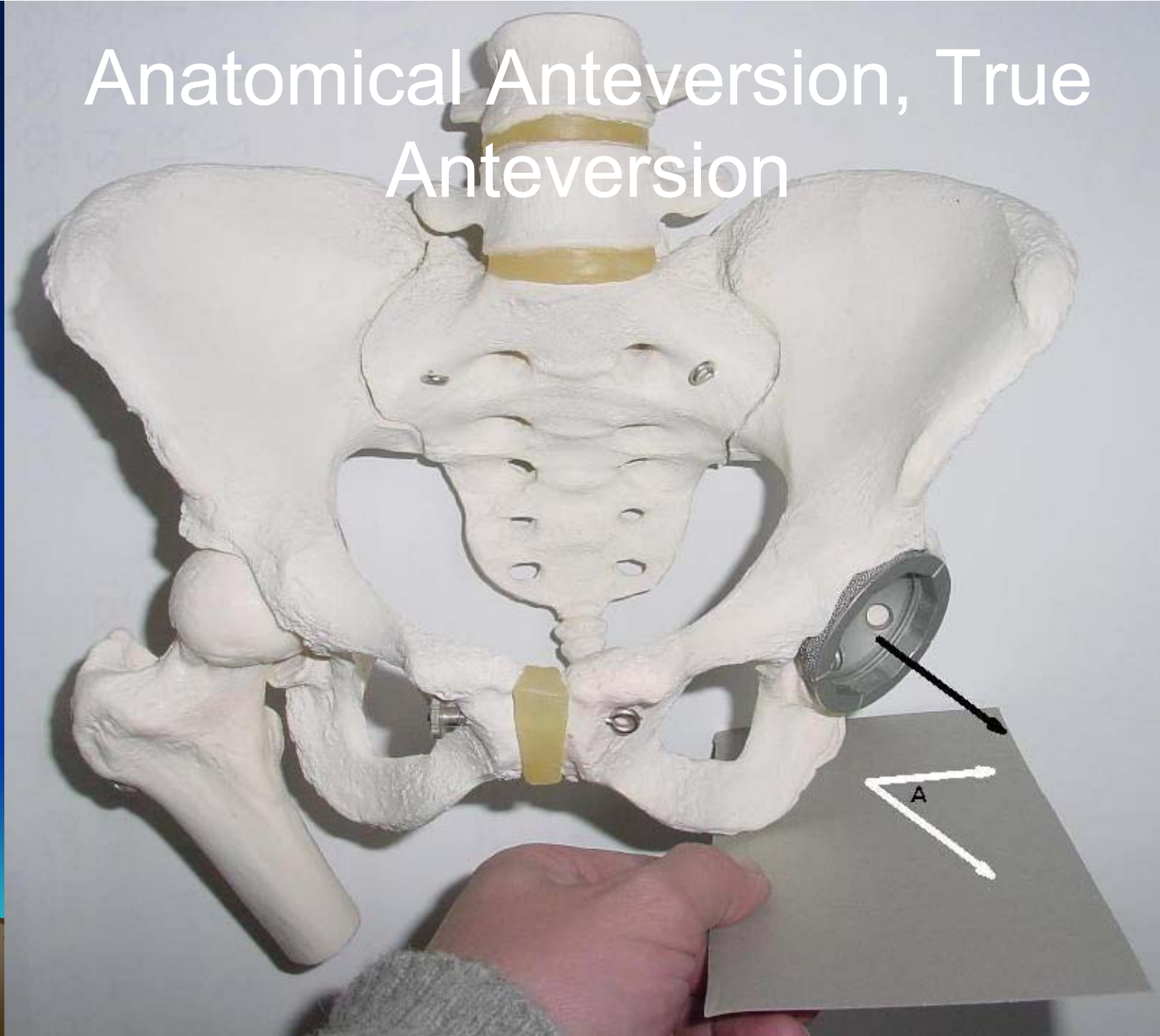
– *J Bone Joint Surg Br.* 1993;75:228–232.



Inclination, Lateral Opening, Abduction



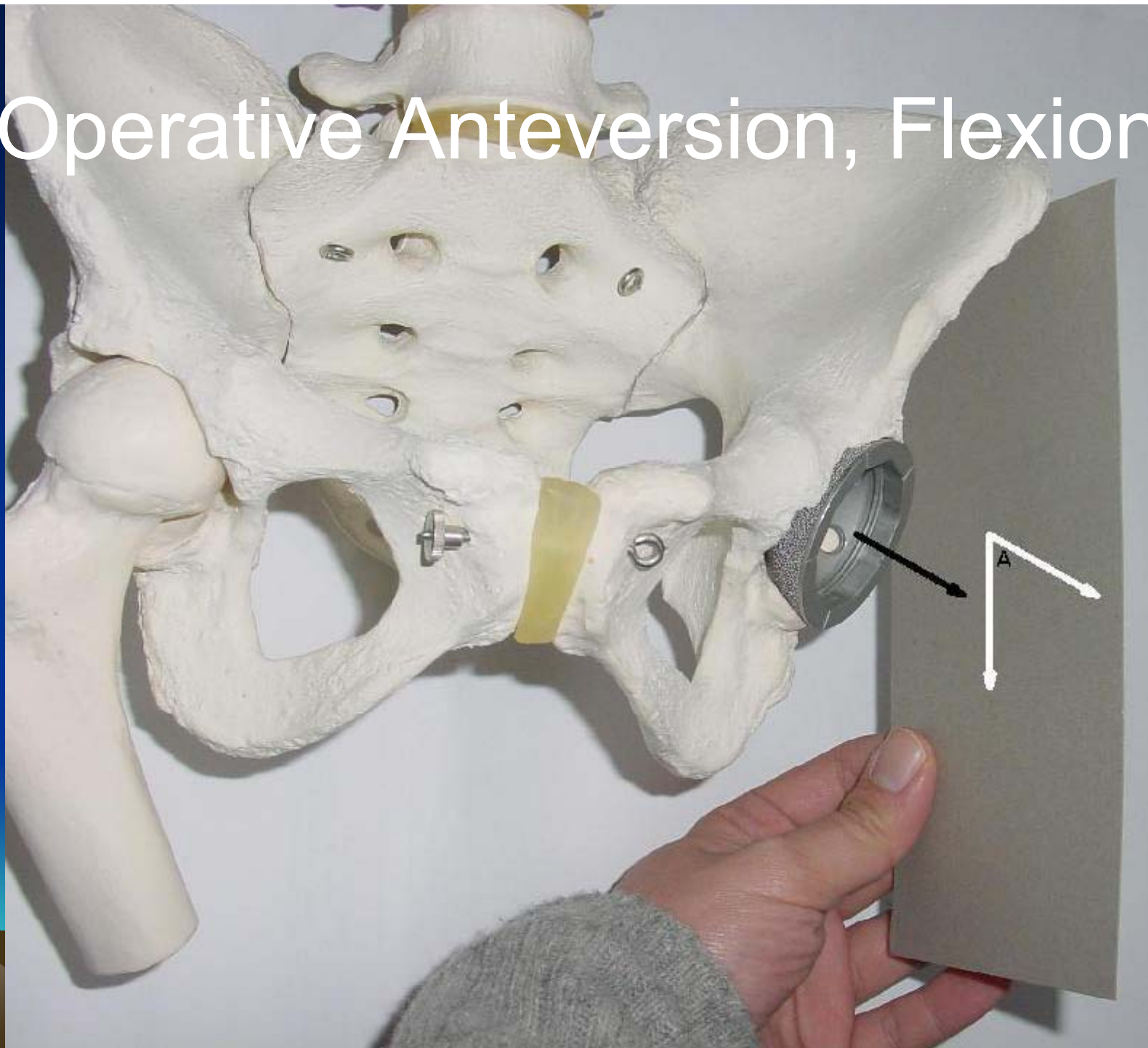
Anatomical Anteversion, True Anteversion



Radiographic Anteverision, Planar Anteverision



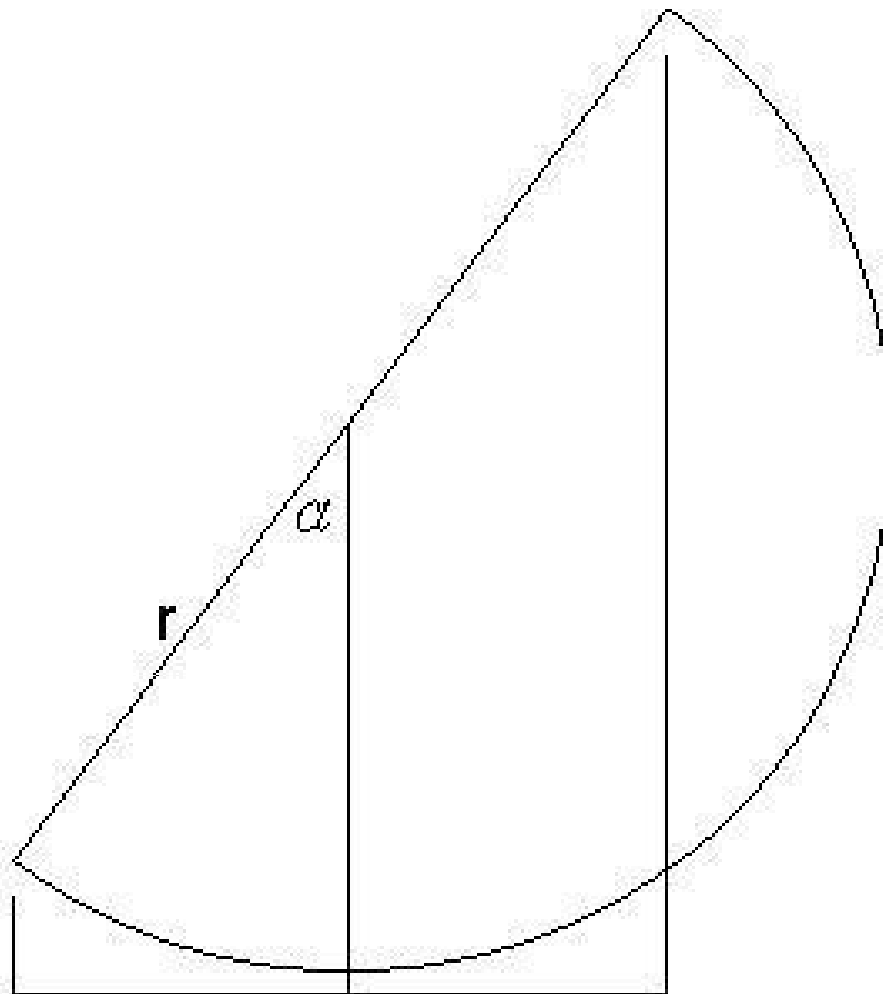
Operative Anteversion, Flexion



Radiographic Anteversion

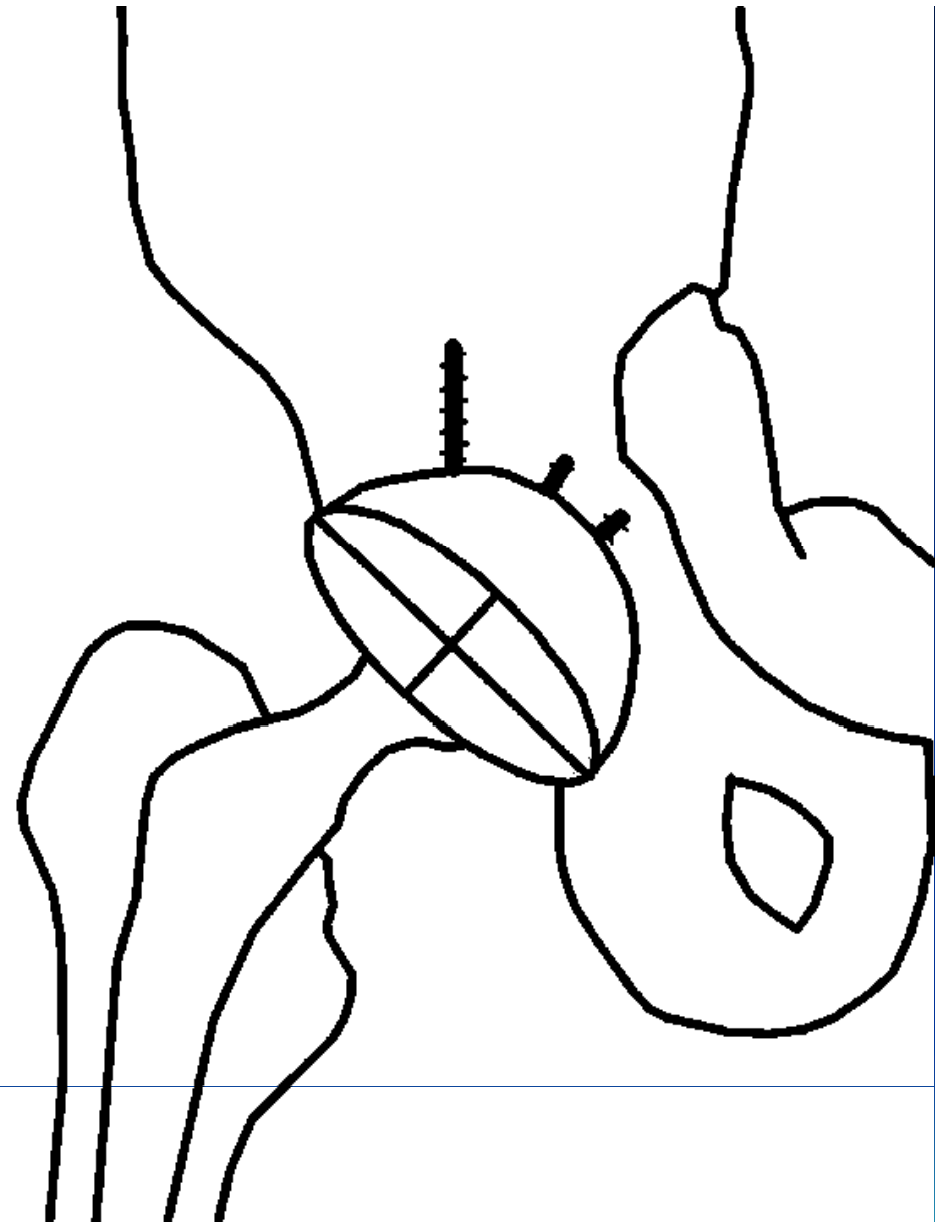
- Easy to measure from plain radiograph
- Radiographic anteversion angle = $\sin^{-1}$ (short axis of the ellipse / long axis of the ellipse)
- By Lewinnek, *J Bone Joint Surg [Am]*, 1978;60-A:217-20.





short axis

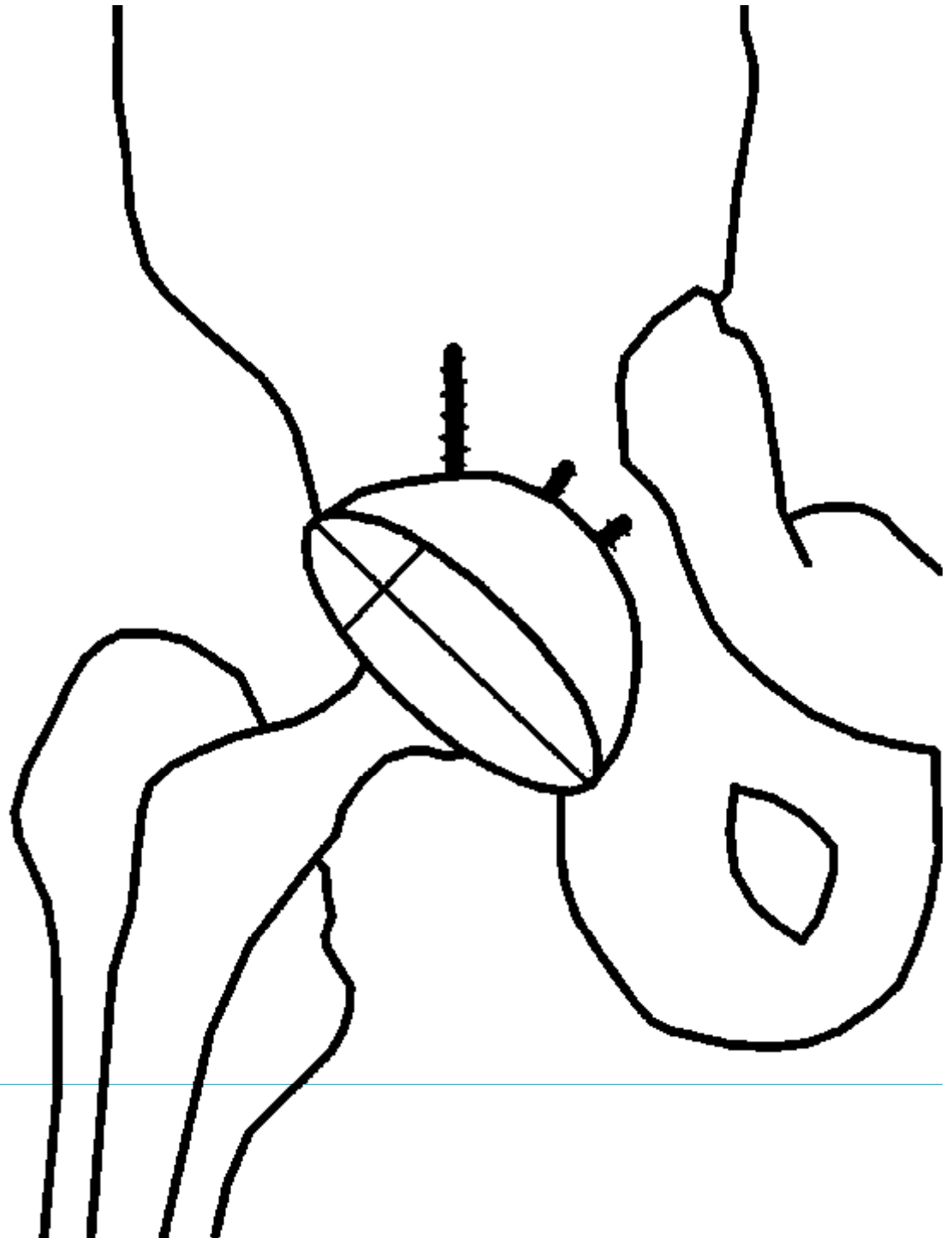
r =long axis



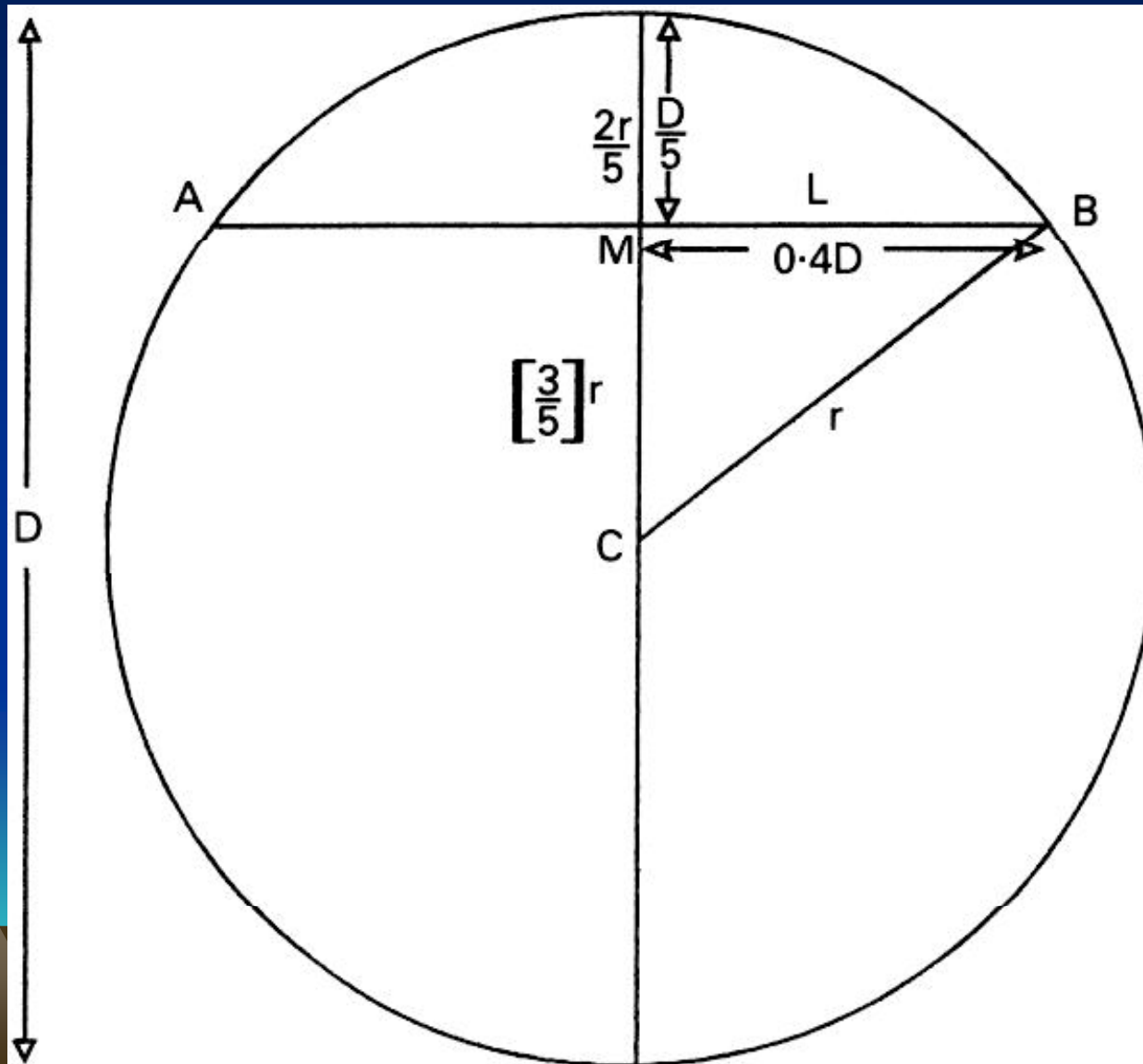
$\alpha = \sin^{-1} (\text{short axis of the ellipse} / \text{long axis of the ellipse})$

Another Method

- Measure the ellipse at 0.4r
- To eliminate the overlapping femoral head
- By Pradhan, *J Bone Joint Surg [Br]*, 1999;81-B(3):431-5.



Pradhan's Method



Pradhan's Method

- $\alpha = \sin^{-1} (0.4D / \text{long axis of the ellipse})$
- D : the short axis at $0.4r$

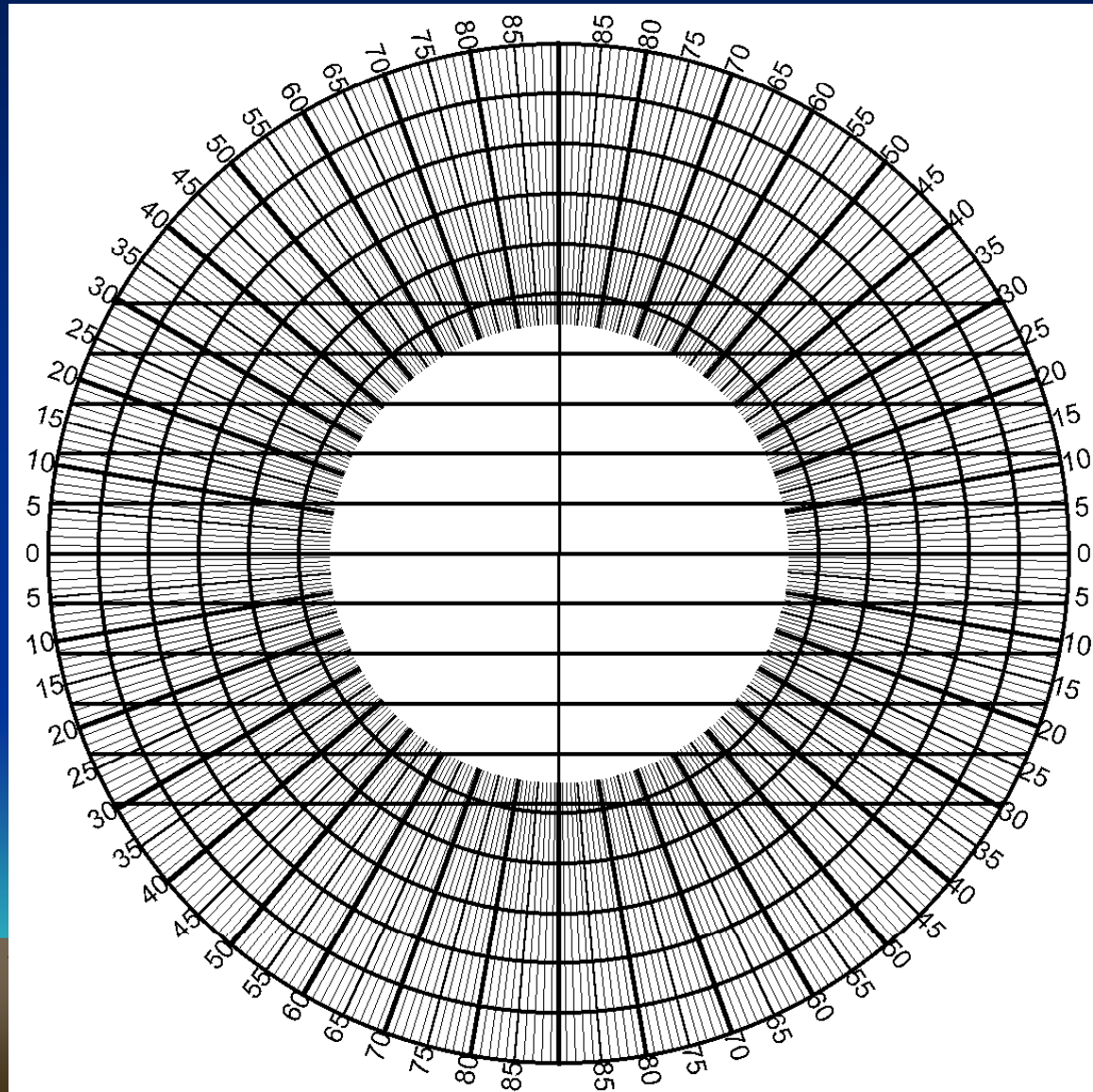


Fabeck's Method

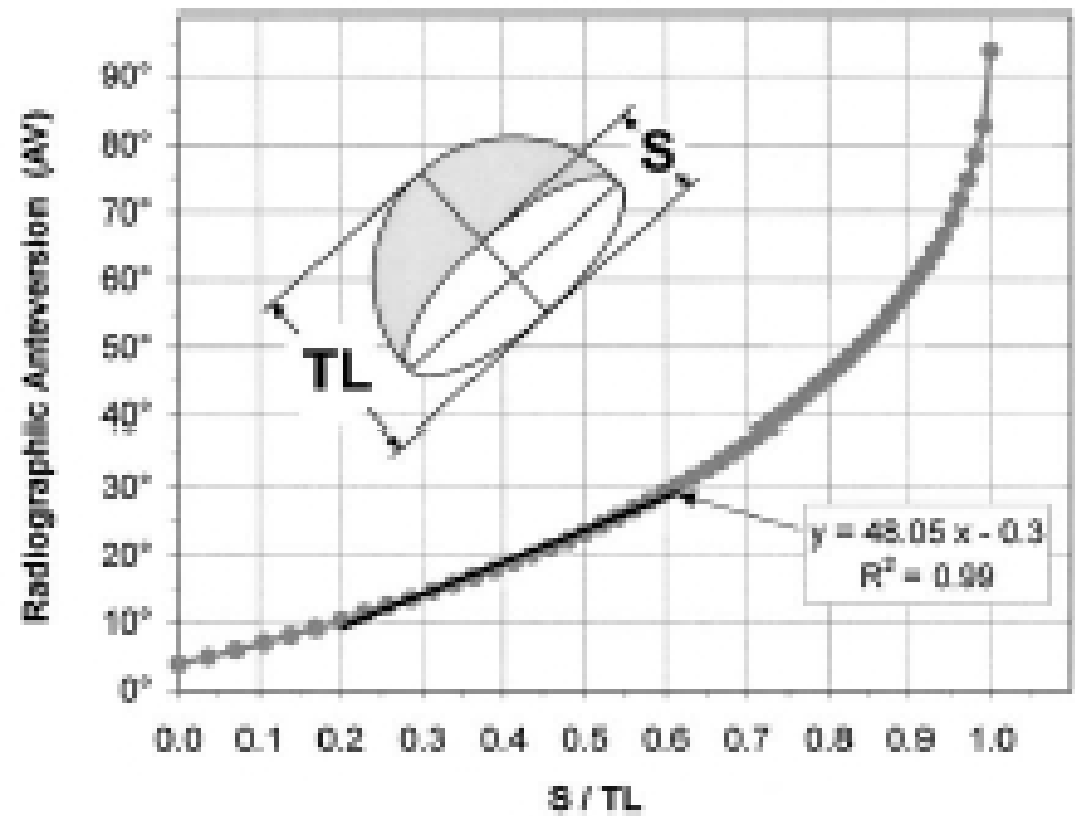
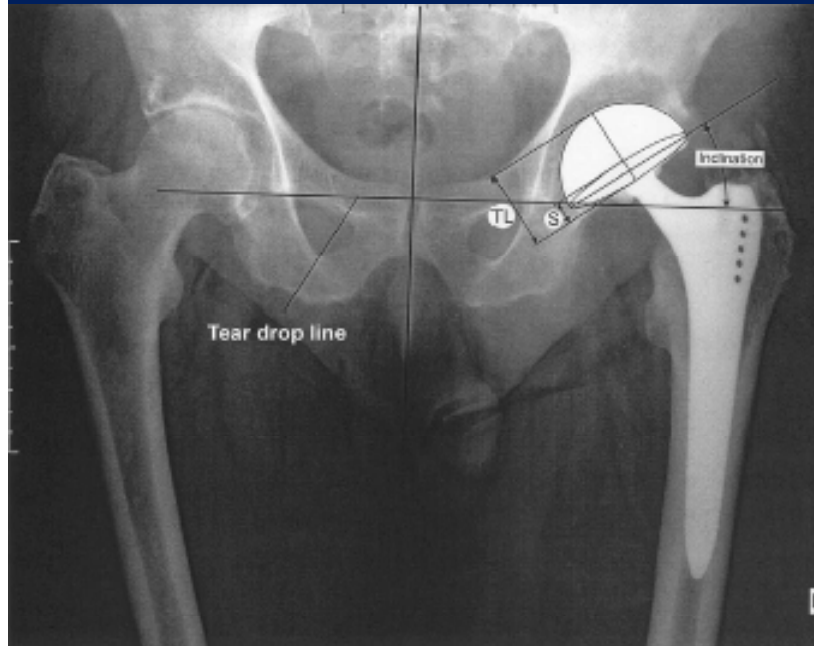
- A method to measure acetabulum cup anteversion after total hip replacement. *Acta Orthop Belg.* 1999;65:485–491.



Fabeck's method

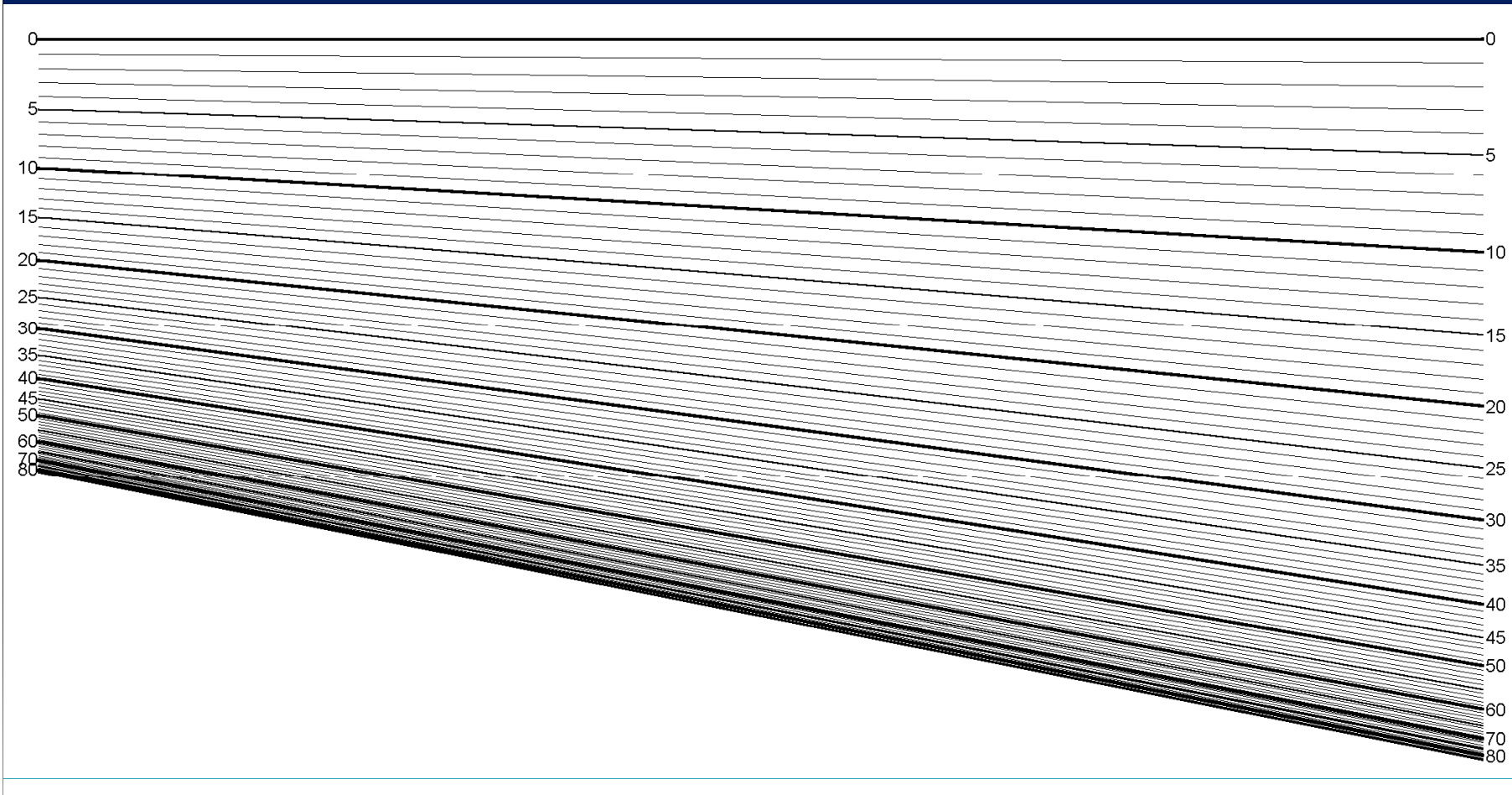


Widmer's Method

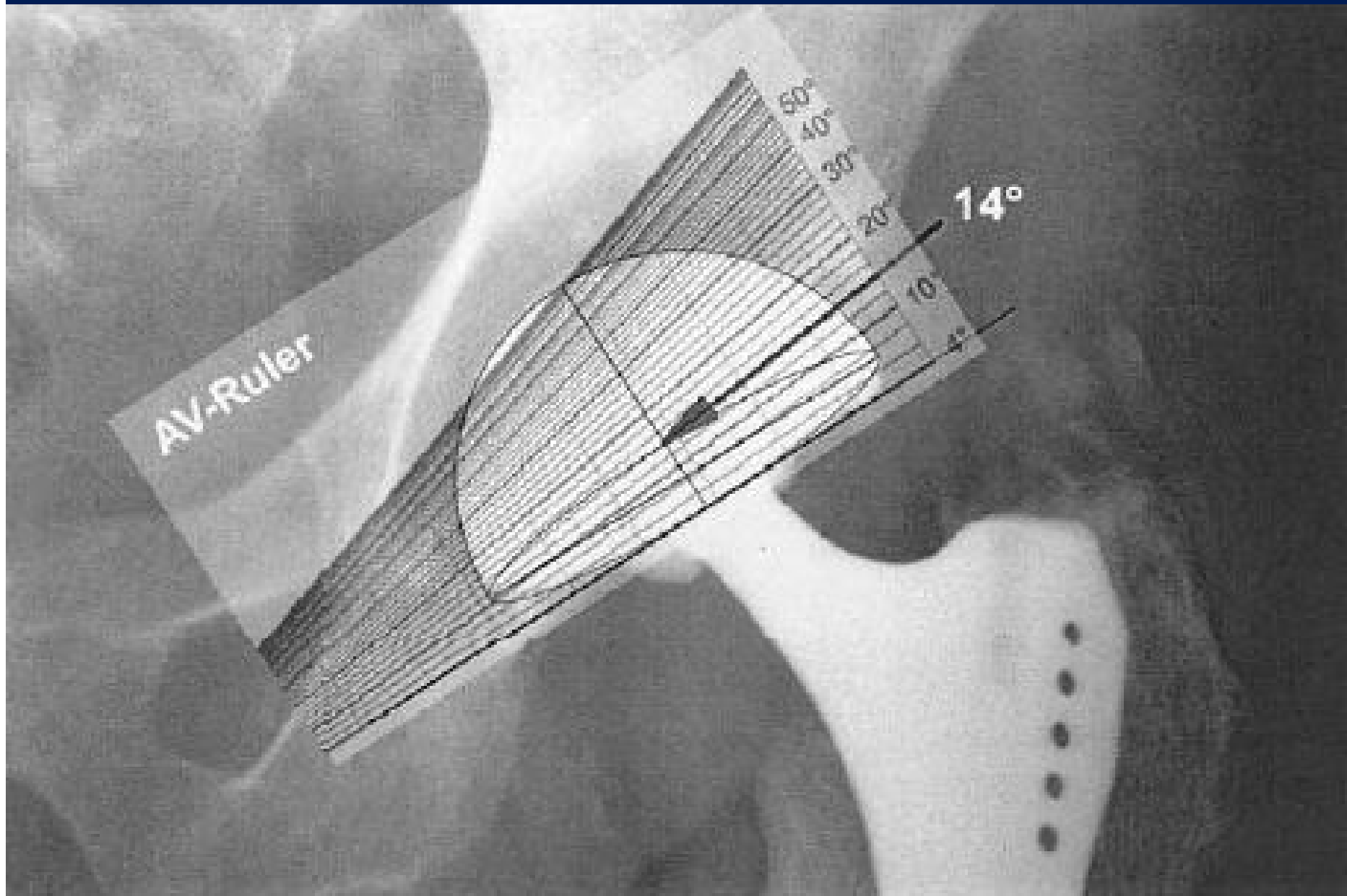


- A simplified method to determine acetabular cup anteversion from plain radiographs.
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Widmer's Method



Widmer's Method



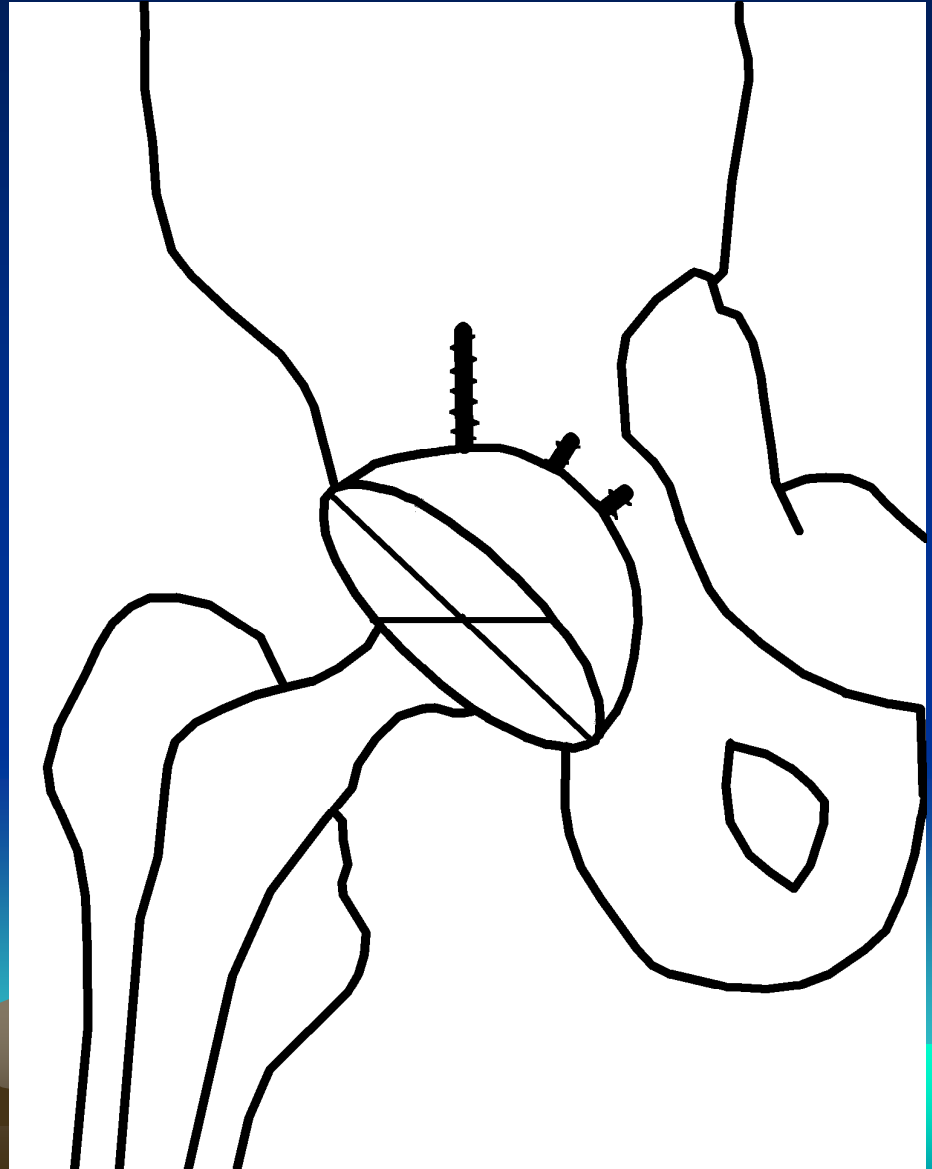
Anatomical Anteversion (True Anteversion)

- Indirect method
 - Measure radiographic anteversion, and inclination
 - Then calculate anatomical anteversion
 - anatomical anteversion = $\tan^{-1}(\tan\alpha \csc\gamma)$
 - α : radiographic anteversion
 - γ : inclination



Anatomical Anteversion

- Direct method
- McLaren's method
- anatomical anteversion
 $= \sin^{-1}(s_t / l_t)$



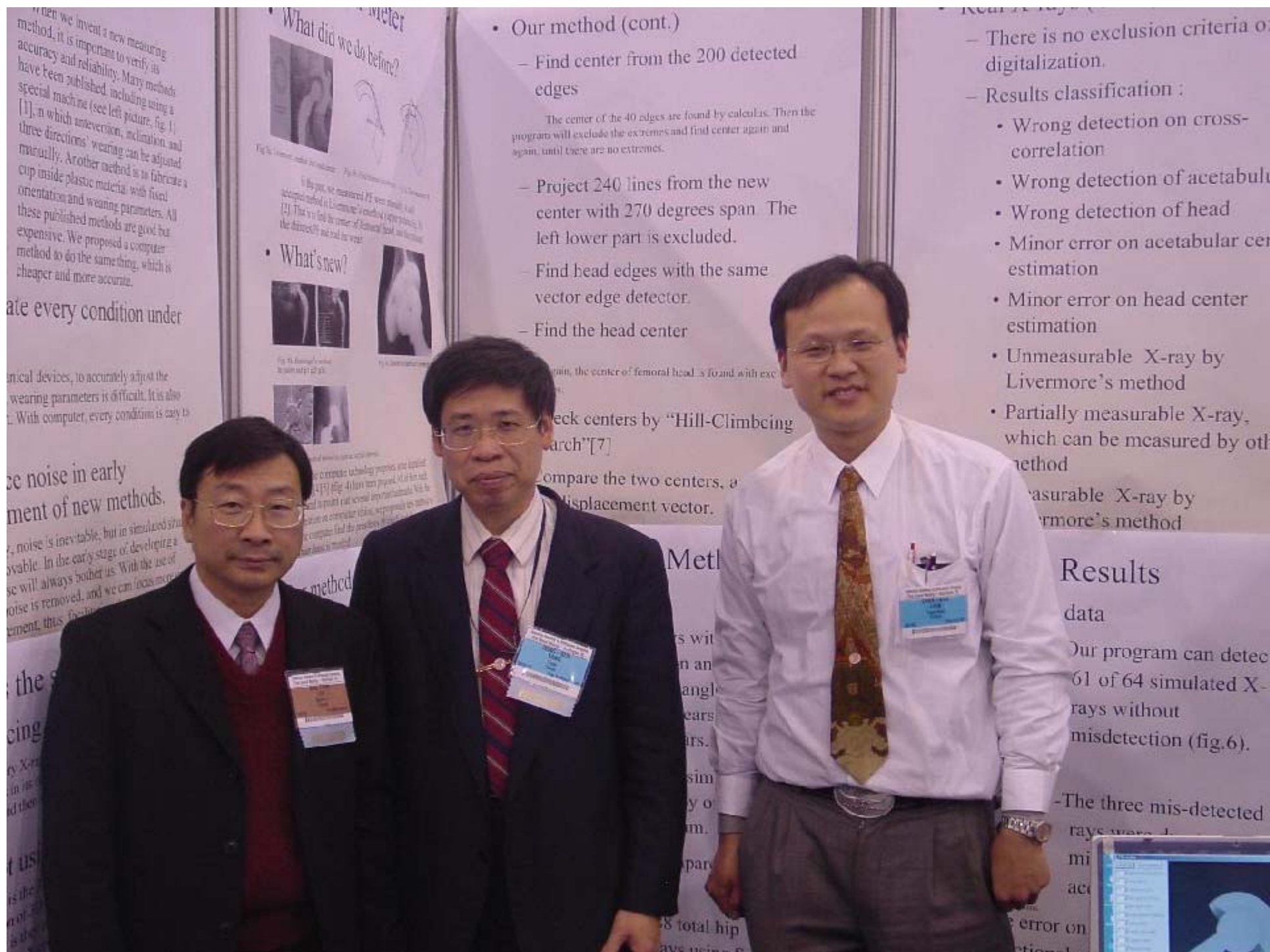
Anatomical Anteversion Direct Method

- Fabeck's method



CT Method





• Our method (cont.)

- Find center from the 200 detected edges

The center of the 40 edges are found by calculus. Then the program will exclude the extremes and find center again and again, until there are no extremes.

- Project 240 lines from the new center with 270 degrees span. The left lower part is excluded.
- Find head edges with the same vector edge detector.
- Find the head center

again, the center of femoral head is found with ex

check centers by "Hill-Climbing Search"[7]

compare the two centers, a displacement vector.

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- There is no exclusion criteria on digitalization.
- Results classification :

- Wrong detection on cross-correlation
- Wrong detection of acetabulum
- Wrong detection of head
- Minor error on acetabular center estimation
- Minor error on head center estimation
- Unmeasurable X-ray by Livermore's method
- Partially measurable X-ray, which can be measured by other method
- Unmeasurable X-ray by Livermore's method

Results

data

Our program can detect 61 of 64 simulated X-rays without misdetection (fig.6).

-The three mis-detected rays were

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The Digitalized Simulator

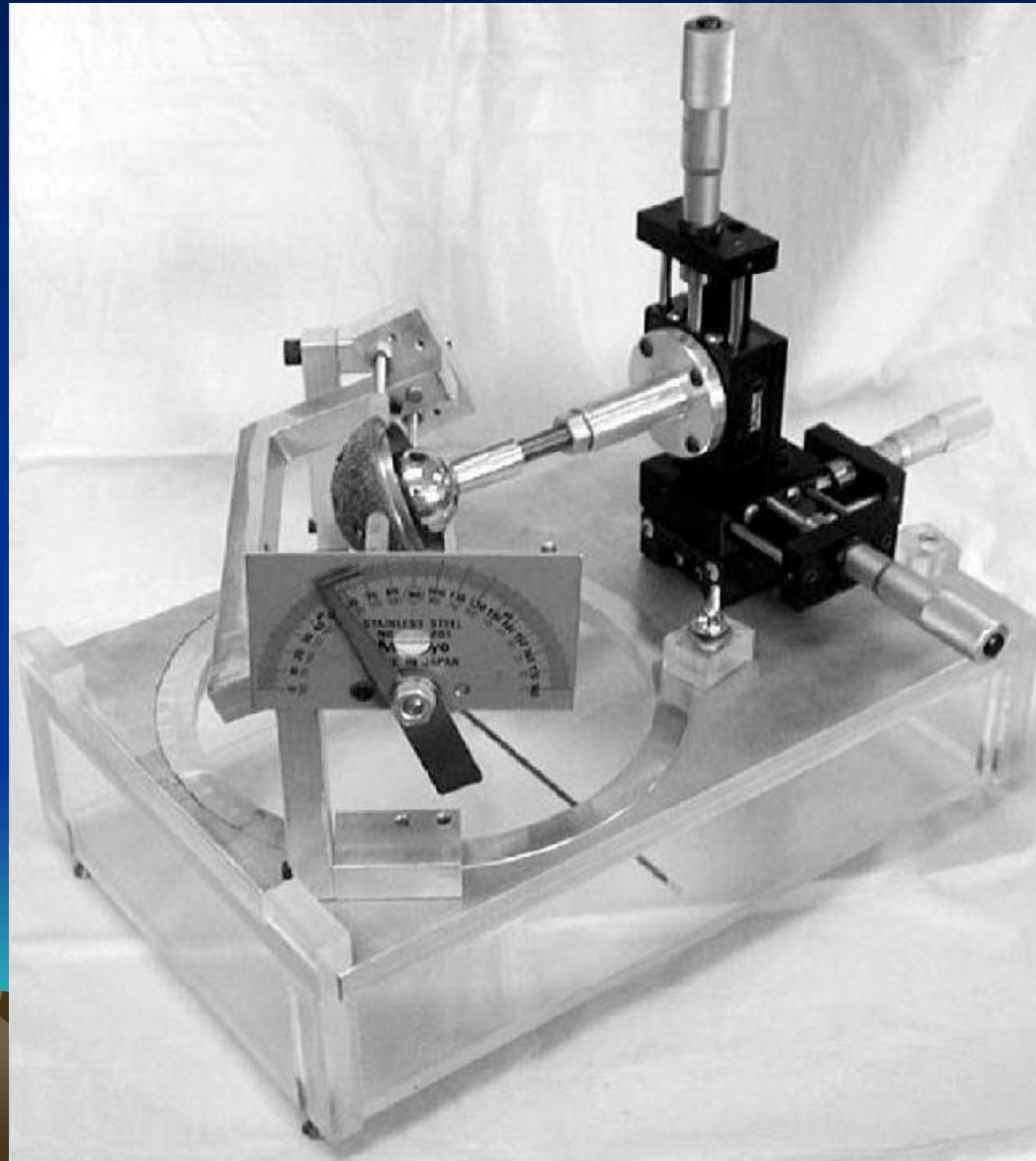


The Digitalized Simulator

- Before developing measuring methods, we must develop the “gold standard”.
- Mechanical device is straightforward but expensive and having an unpredicted precision.
- The method using mechanical simulator requires taking radiograph and then transforming to digital form.
- It takes many processes and every process may cause error thus interferes with the final precision.



The Mechanical Simulator



The Digitalized Simulator

- Many published methods used Fourier transformation.
 - Speed
 - Precision?
- Ray tracing
- Transform thickness to grey scale



Algorithm

- Build mathematical model of acetabulum with femoral head.
- Ray tracing every projected pixel on virtual film.
 - Calculate metal thickness where the X-ray beam passes.
 - Transform thickness to grey scale.
 - Draw in the virtual film.



Transforming Thickness to Grey Scale

- Beer-Lambert law.
 - Penetration = e^{-kbc}
 - k : molar absorbability
 - b : path length
 - c : concentration
 - k : different in different materials and different radiation energy.
 - Radiation energy from X-ray tube: normal distribution
- Lookup table method

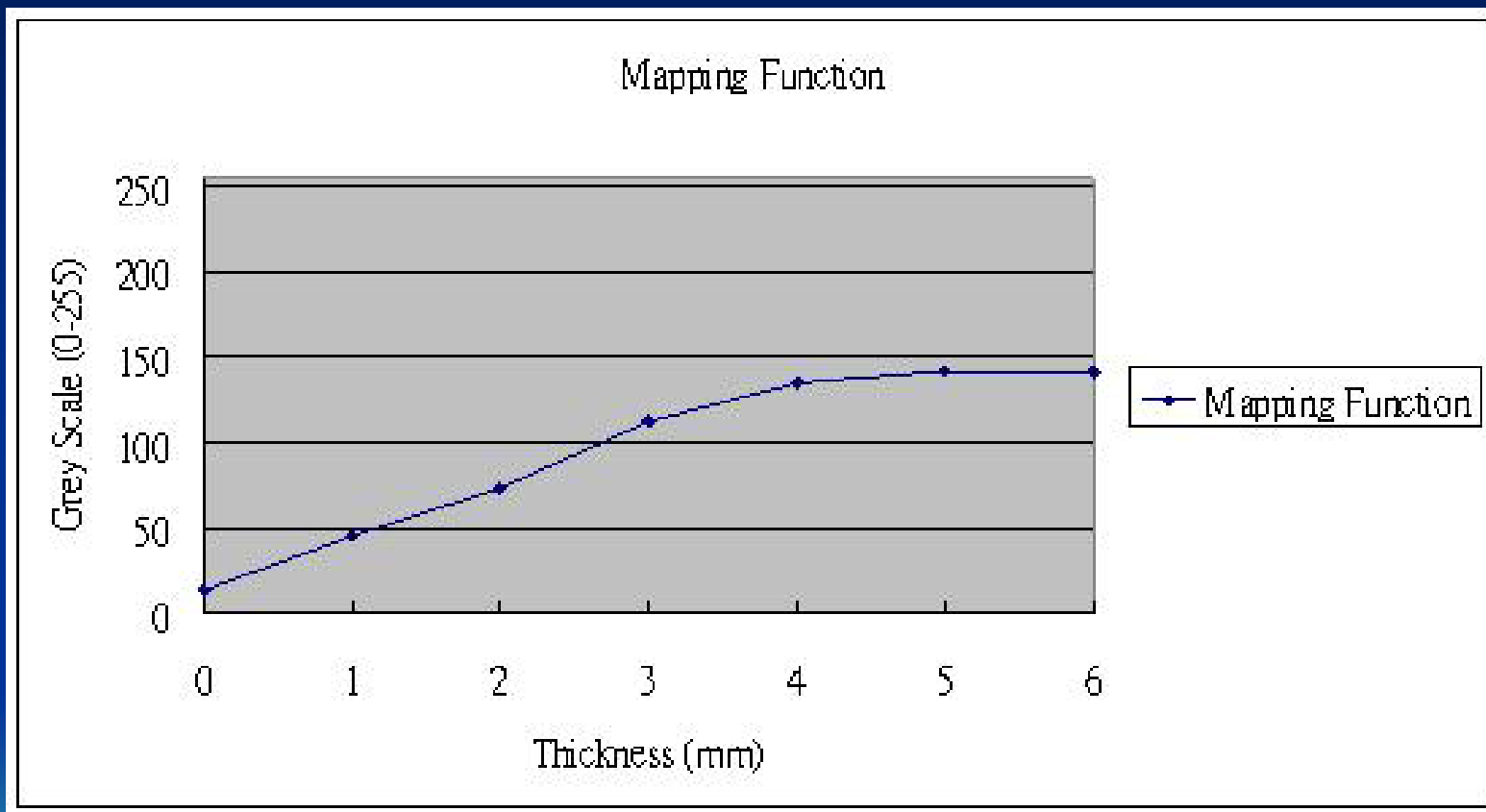


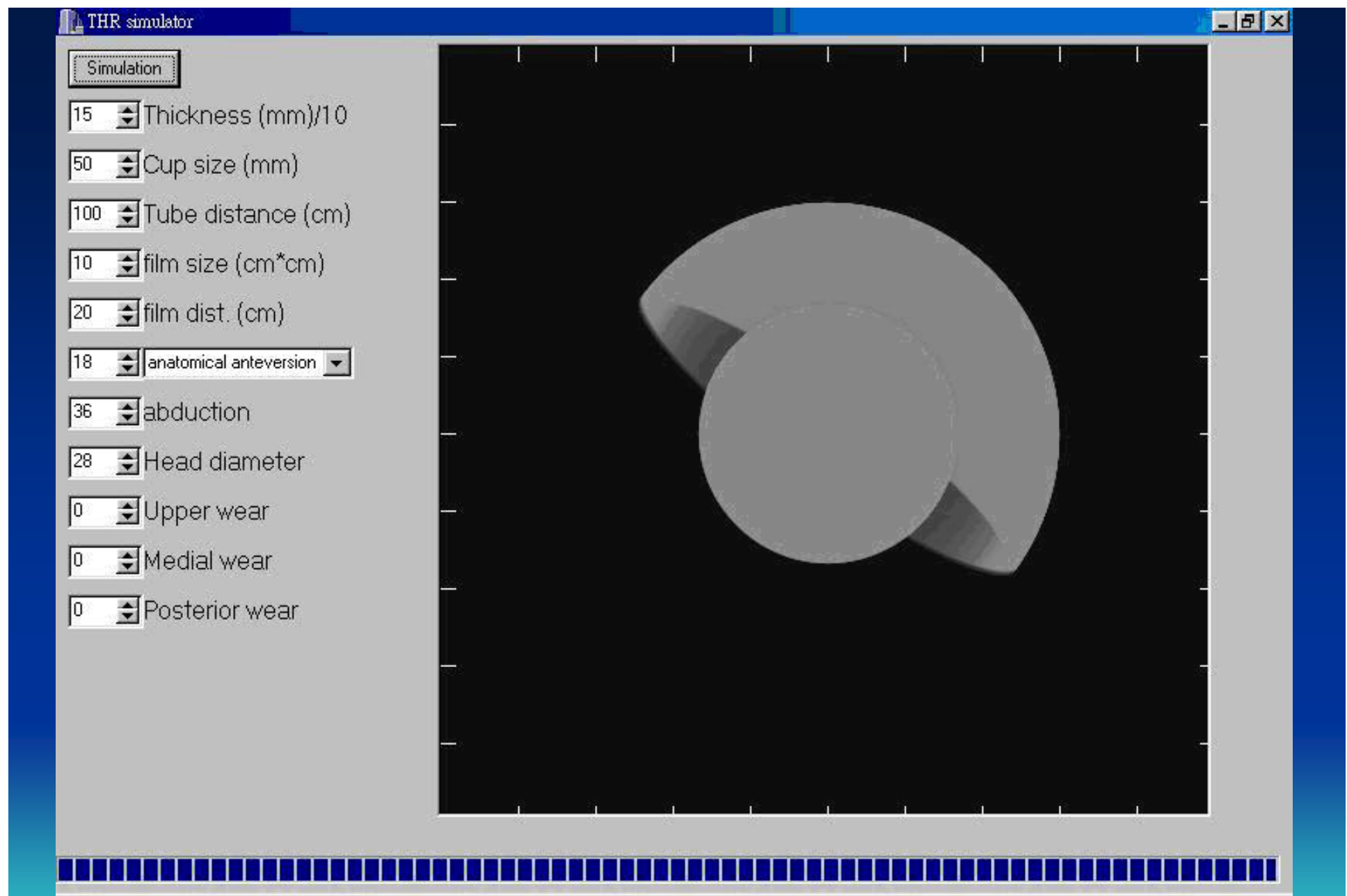
Lookup Table Method

- We propose to implement the *Simulator* by lookup table method.

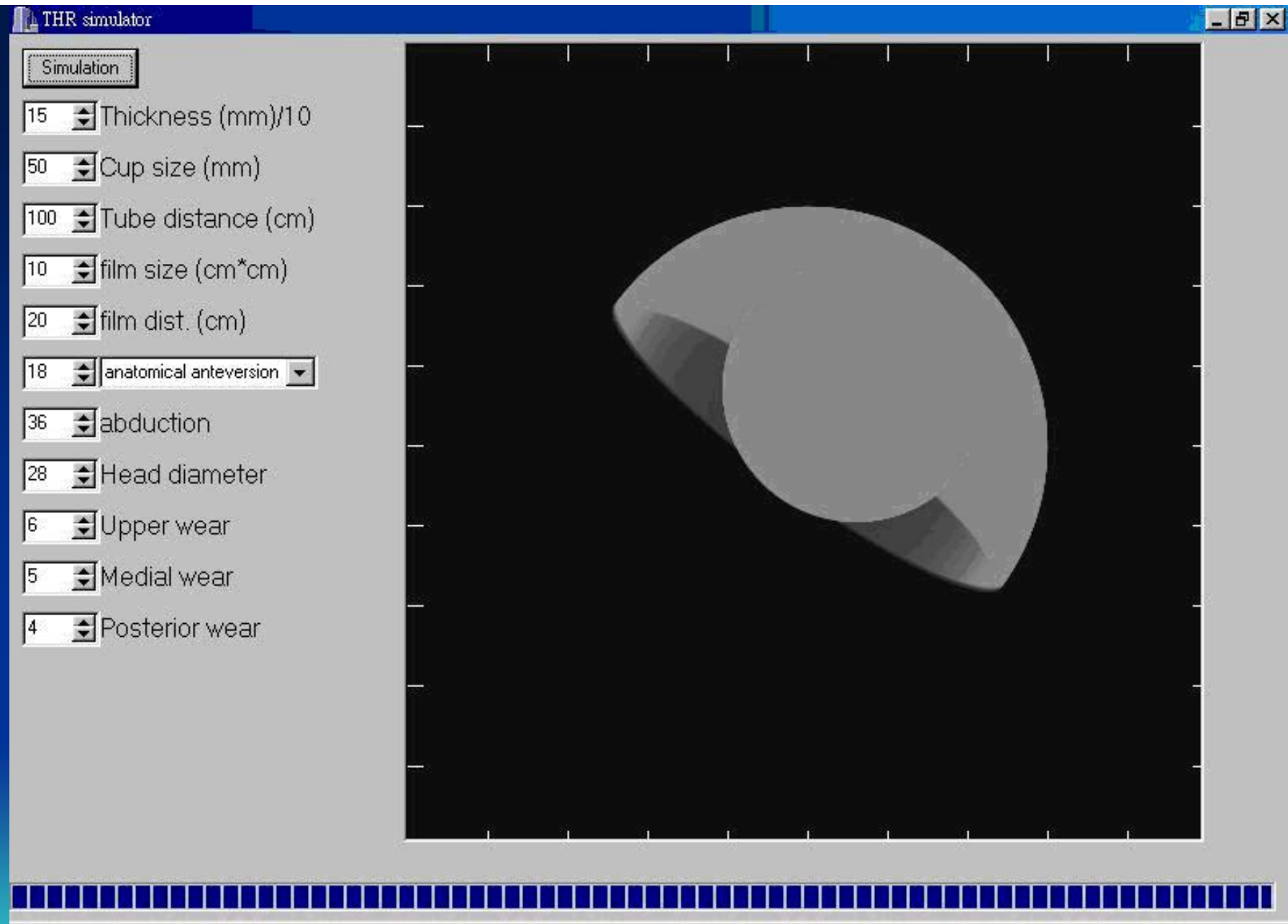


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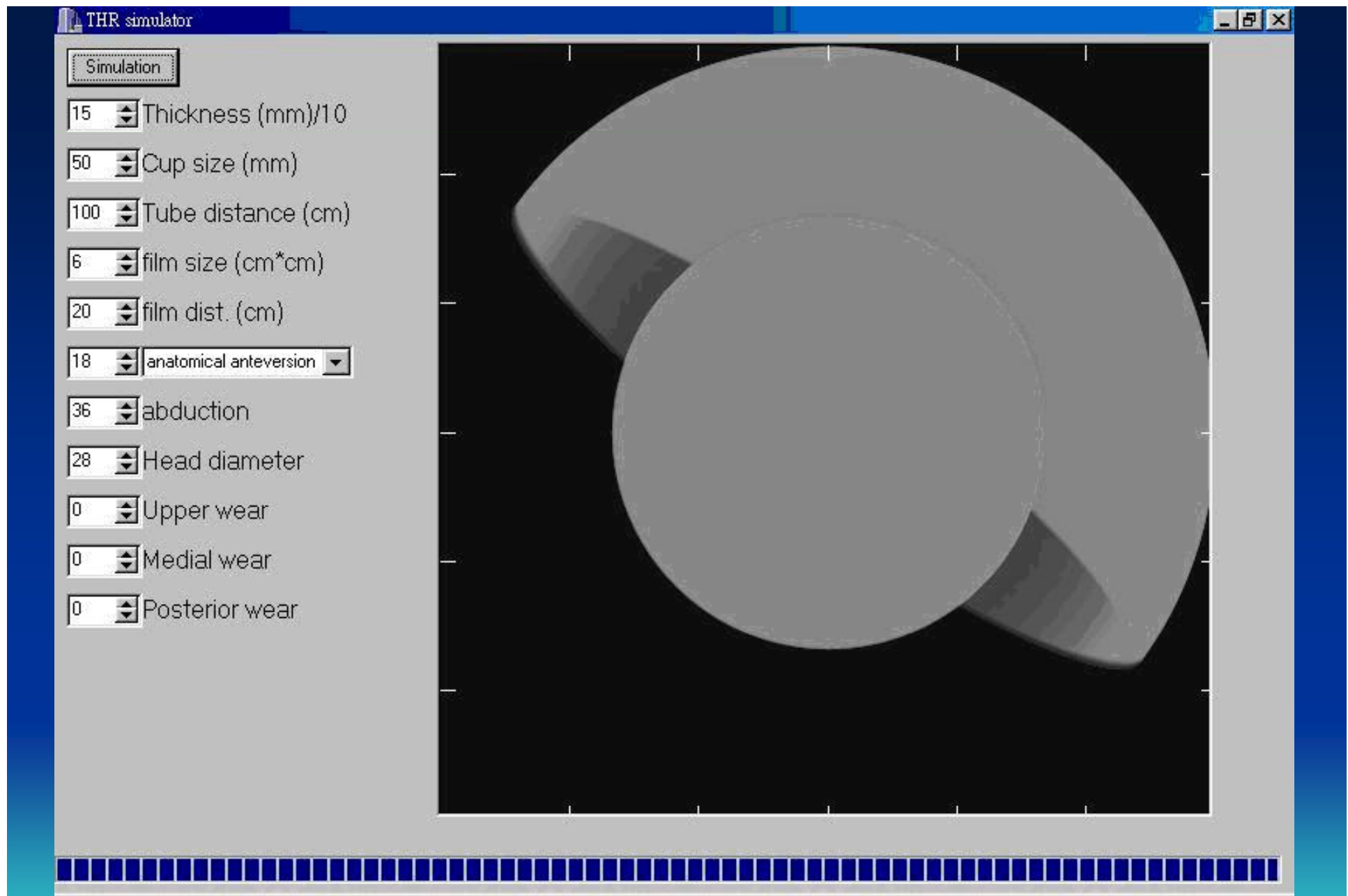




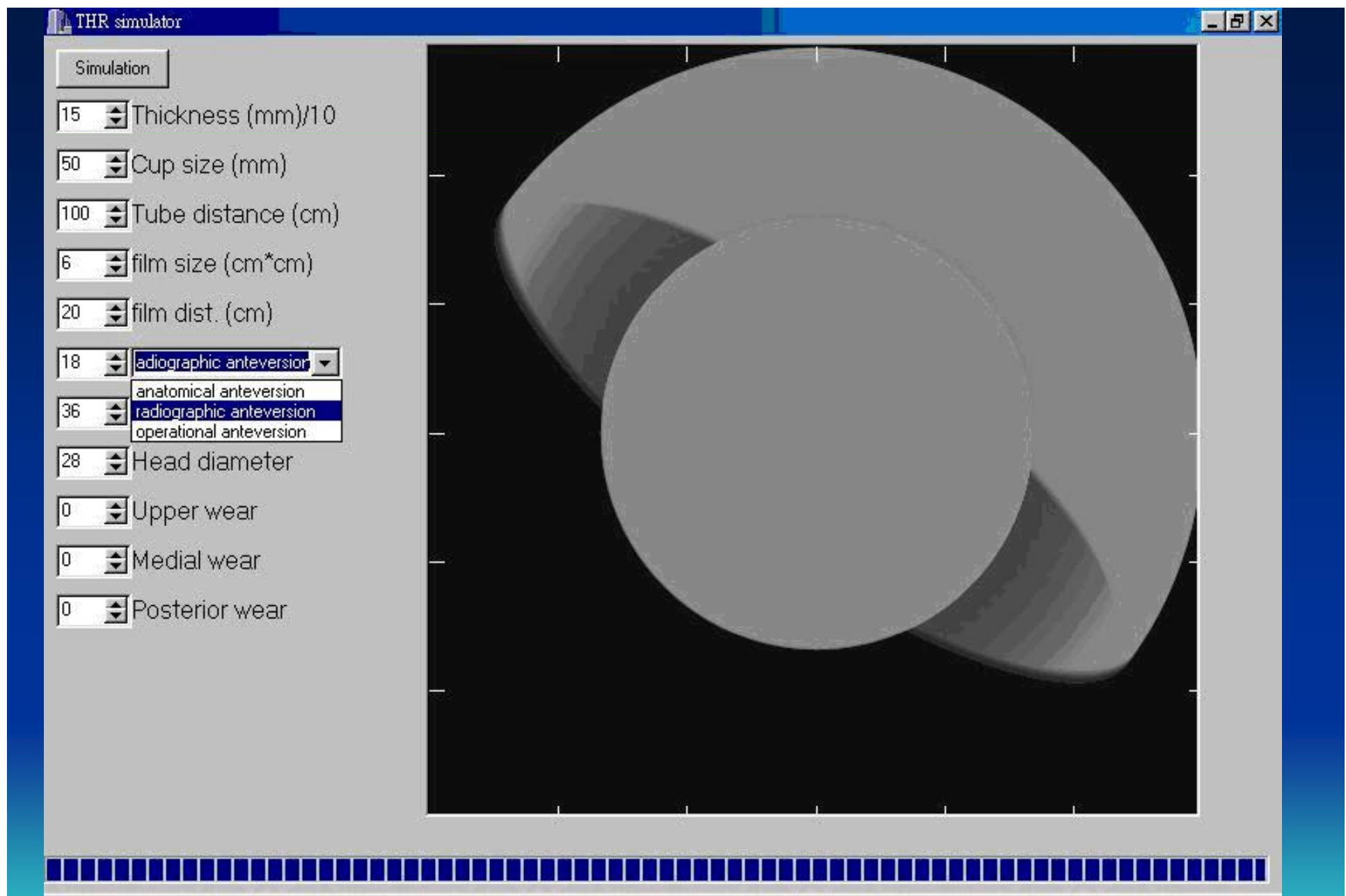
The *Simulator* and the basic figure of the generated radiograph.



We adjust the wearing parameters, and the result **is** showed.



We adjust the film size parameter to simulate a smaller film in the same picture, and the result is shown.



We choose the anteversion type as radiographic anteversion, and the result is shown.

Simulated Radiograph of Total Hip Arthroplasty for Verifying Measuring Instrument

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Abstract

Background: Orientation of acetabulum and measuring parameters are important parameters before and after hip arthroplasty. Various methods are proposed to measure these 3D three methods used a mechanical instrument to verify their accuracy. In this study, a computerized program is used to simulate 3D hip arthroplasty. The simulated program is able to simulate 3D hip arthroplasty, which provides an alternative way to verify the accuracy of the measuring instrument.

Methods: This program is based on 3D hip arthroplasty model, which is developed by computer. The measuring instrument is used to verify the accuracy of the measuring instrument. The accuracy of the measuring instrument is verified by comparing the measured values with the simulated values.

Results: This study proposes an alternative way to verify the accuracy of the measuring instrument. The simulated radiograph can provide a reference for verifying the accuracy of the measuring instrument. The accuracy of the measuring instrument is verified by comparing the measured values with the simulated values.

Conclusion: This study proposes an alternative way to verify the accuracy of the measuring instrument. The simulated radiograph can provide a reference for verifying the accuracy of the measuring instrument. The accuracy of the measuring instrument is verified by comparing the measured values with the simulated values.

Introduction

Many parameters can (should) be measured.

a. Orientation:

Anteversión:

- Lewinnek method
- Liaw method
- Widmer method
- Fabeck method

Inclination

b. Wearing: Upper, Medial, Posterior

Manual method

- Livermore method
- ...

Computerized method

- Hartings method
- Shaver method
- Liaw method

Verification of these methods is important!!

Mechanical Simulation



- Advantages:**
1. Easy to persuade people to use.
- Disadvantages:**
1. Expensive
 2. Precision?
 3. Digitalization

Our Solution



- Building our own software
- Cost down
- Digitalization
- Elimination
- Batch processing can automatically produce many simulated X-rays.

Our Algorithm

- Ray tracing
- See X-ray as many X-ray lines
- Trace every X-ray line
- Calculate the total thickness of metal it passes.
- Convert thickness to gray-scale plot

New Protractor of Measuring Orientations after Total Hip Arthroplasty



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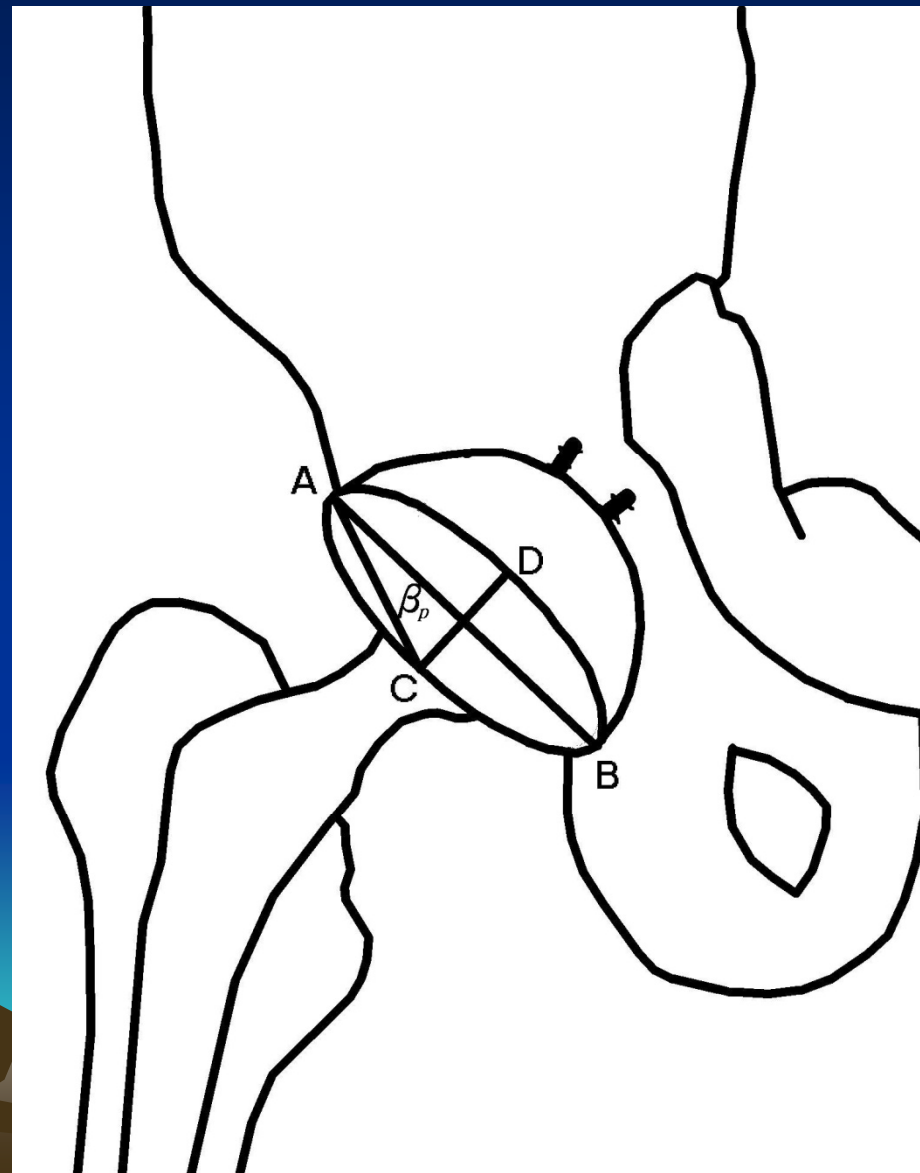
A New Tool for Measuring Cup Orientation in Total Hip Arthroplasties from Plain Radiographs

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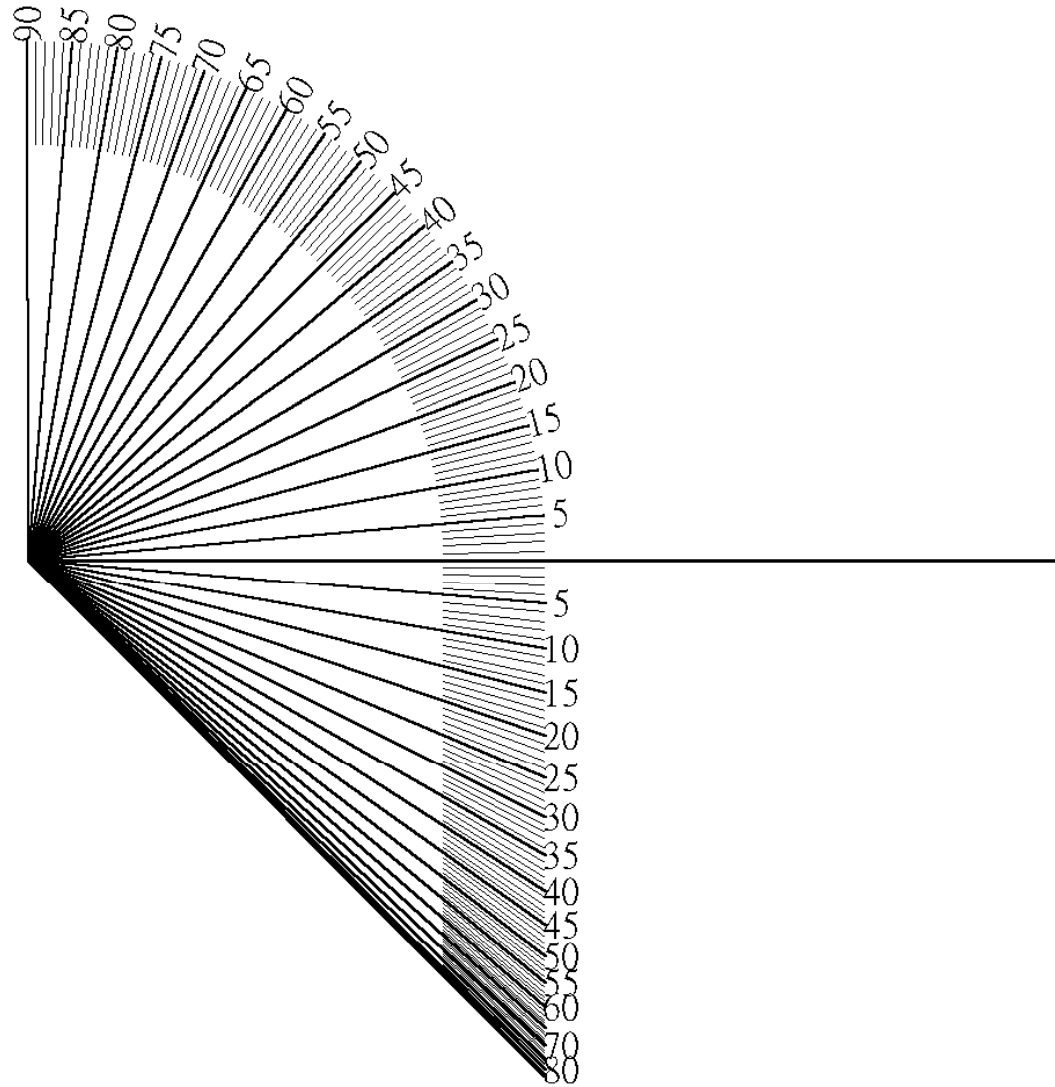


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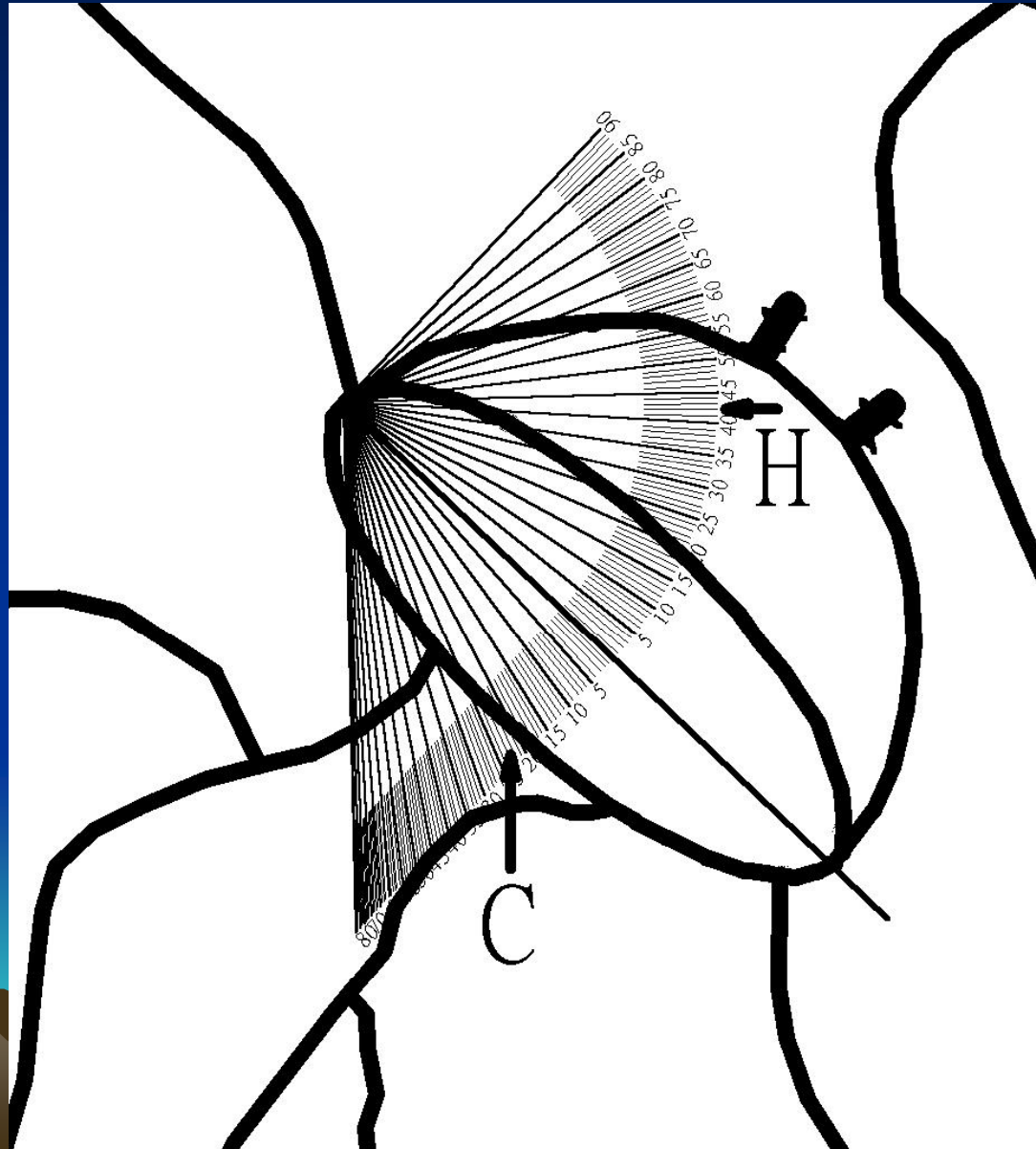
- $\alpha_p = \sin^{-1} \tan \beta_p$



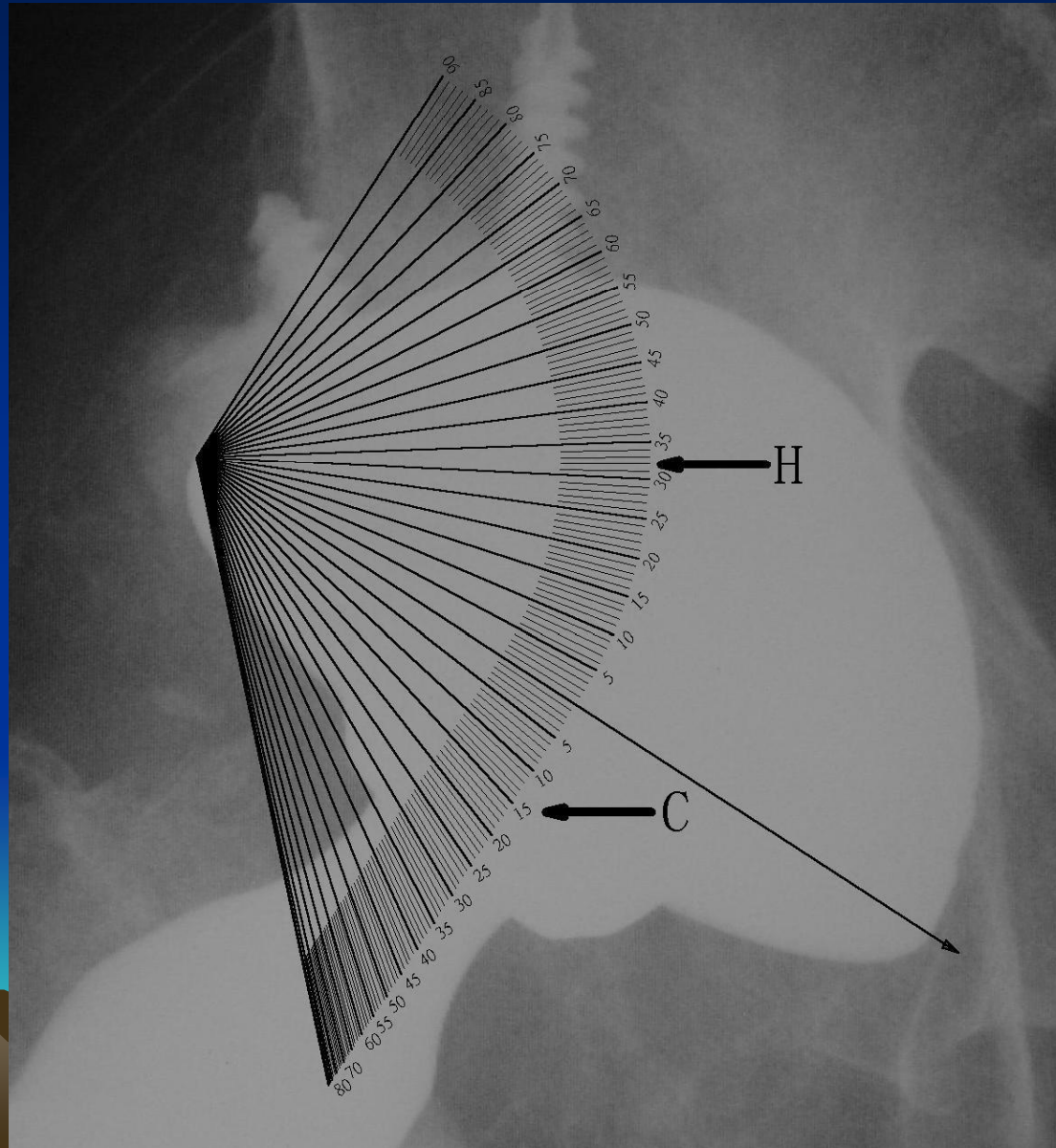
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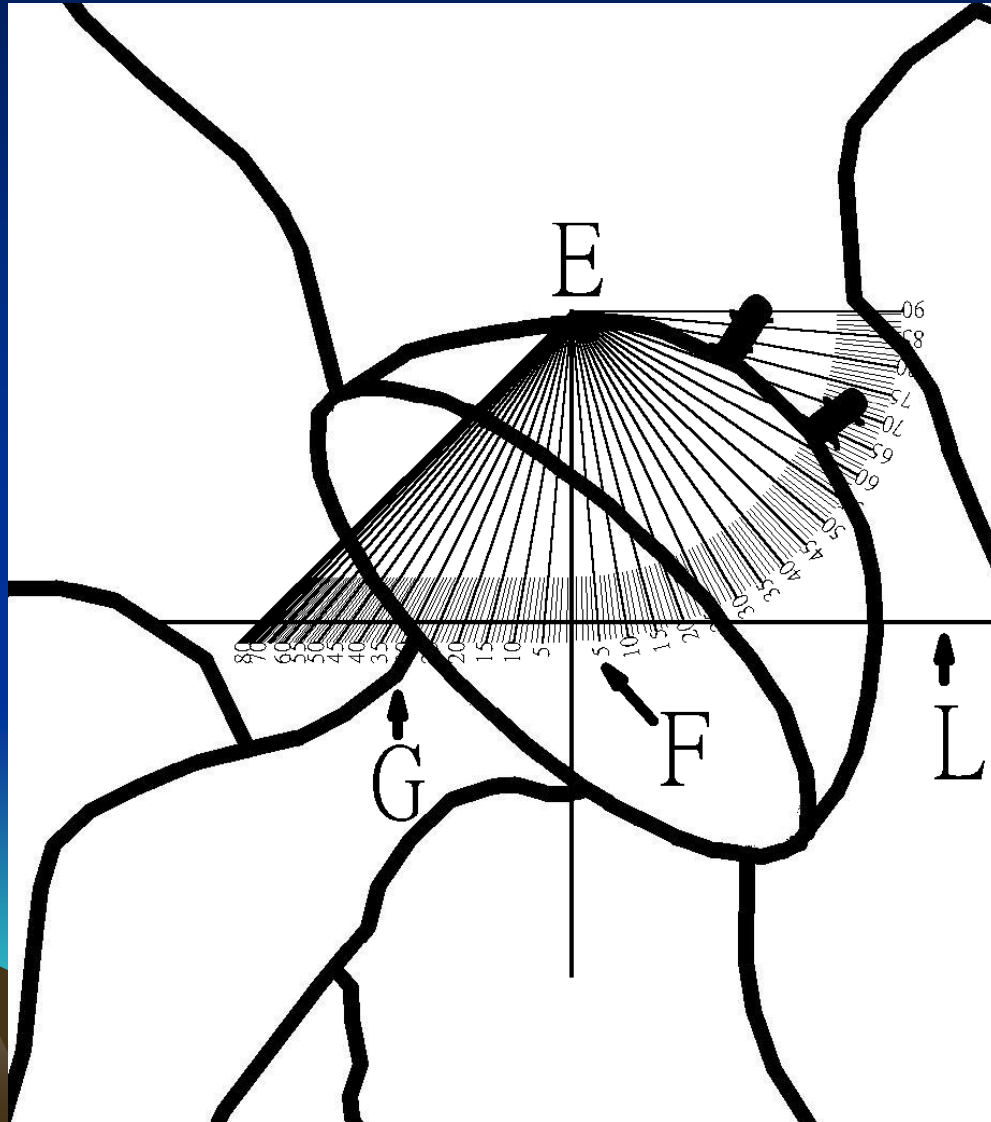


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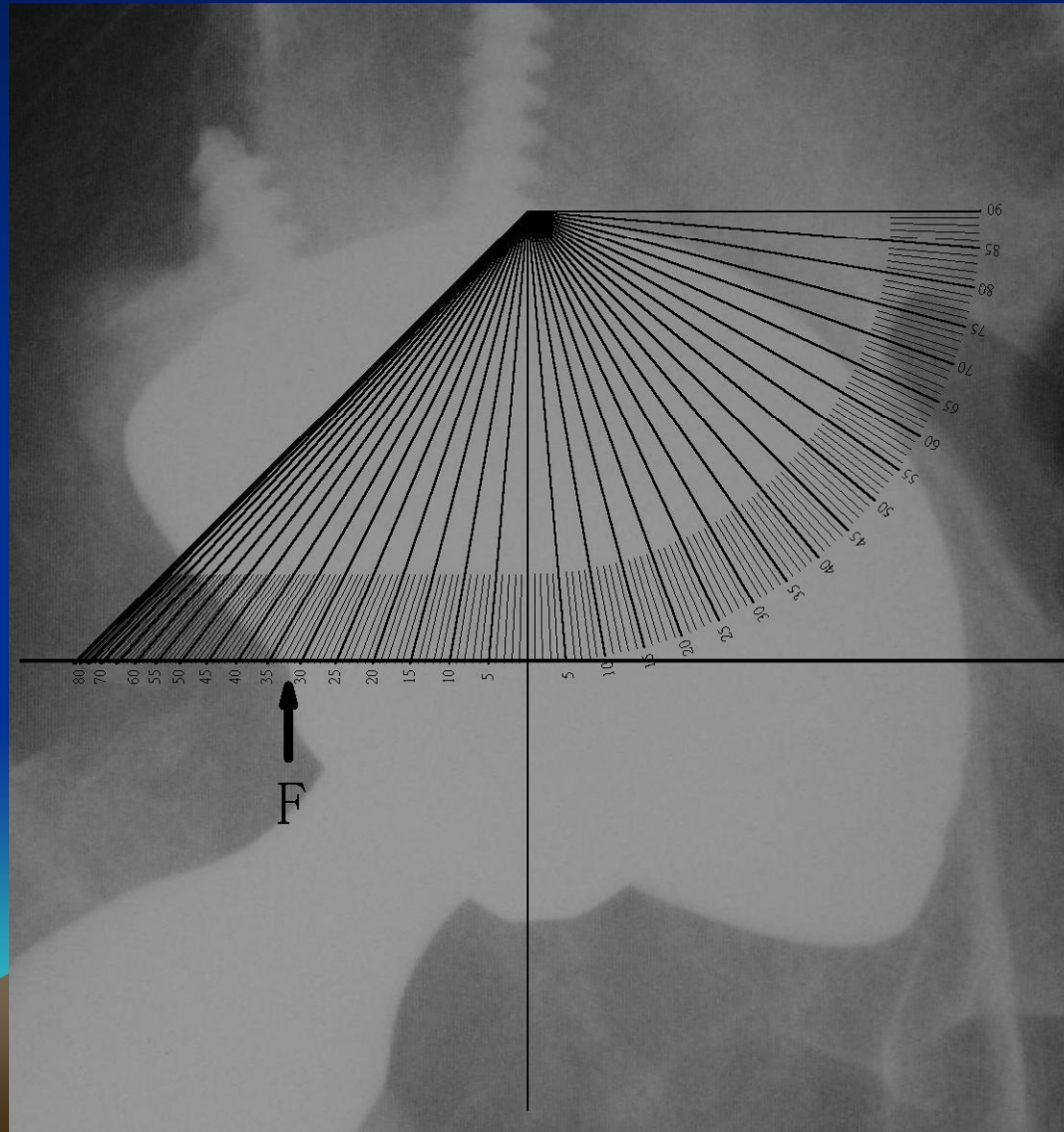
Anatomical Anteversion Direct Method

- Our method



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Proposed Methods

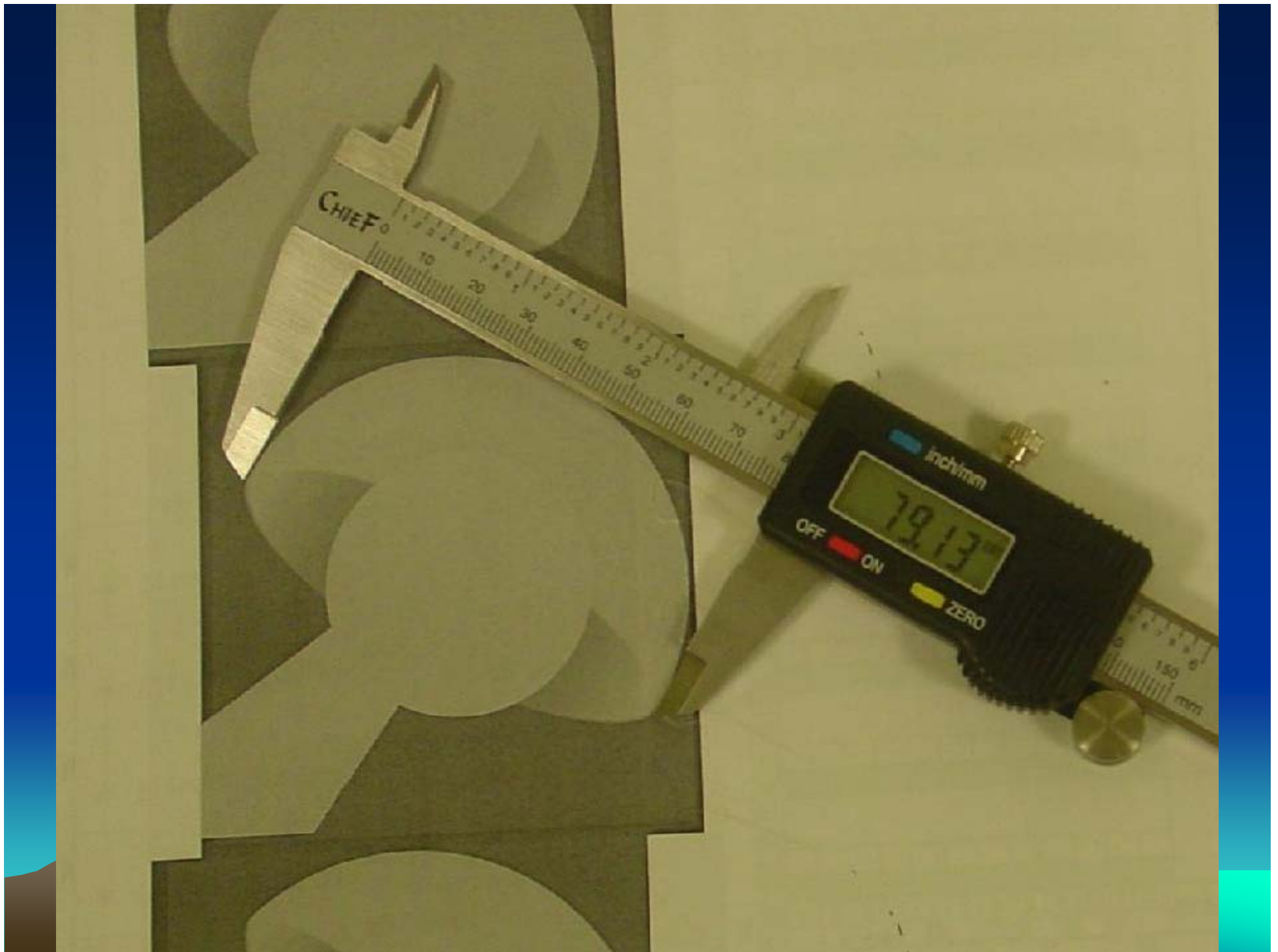
- We simulate 45 total hip arthroplasty radiographs with 15 different anteversions ranging from 15° – 29° and random inclinations using our *Simulator*.
- We also collect 45 total hip arthroplasty radiographs.

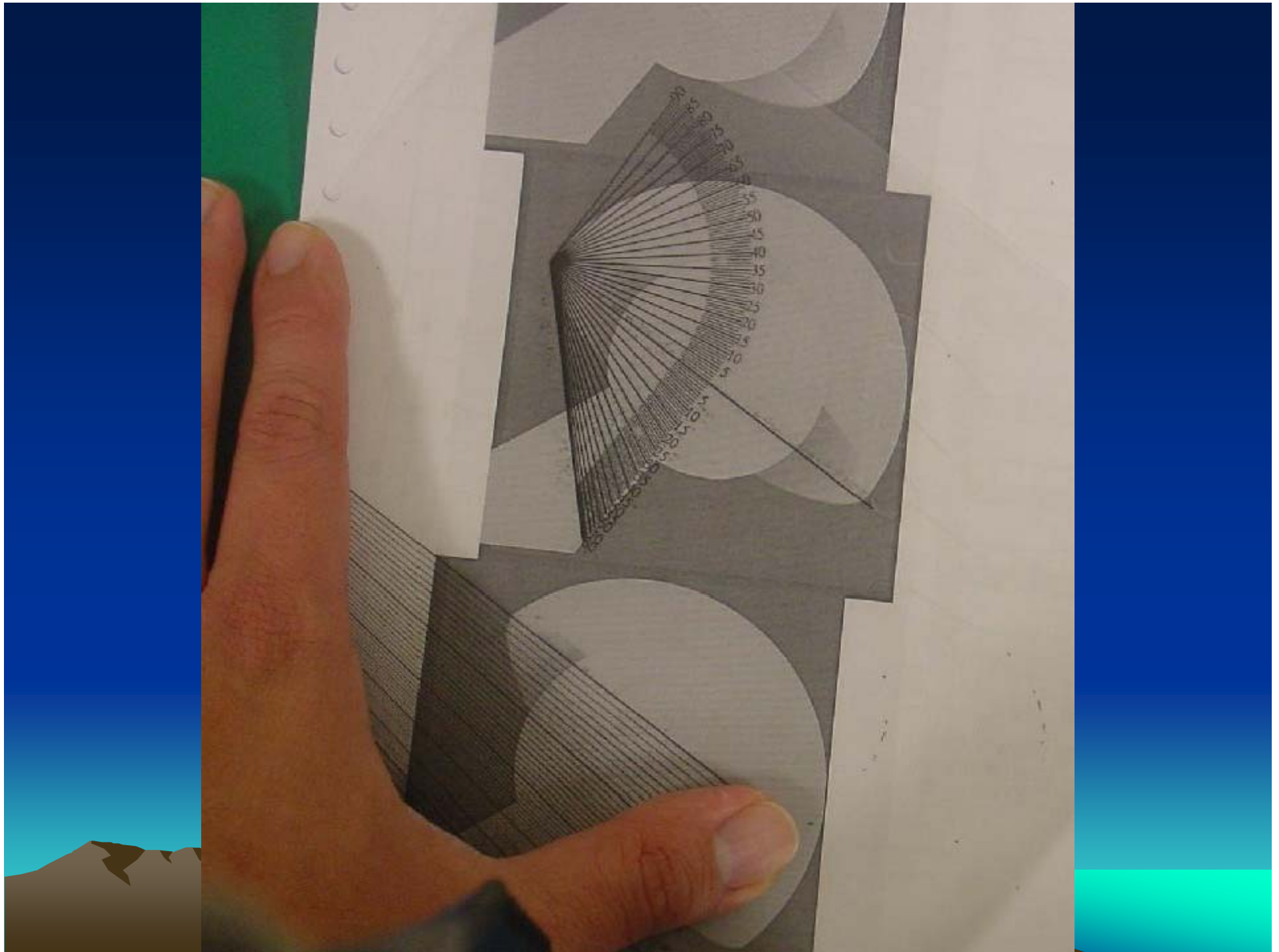


Materials and Methods

- Measure the anteversion of the 90 radiographs with Lewinnek method.
- Measure the anteversion again one week later with our method.
- Compare the difference between the two measurements.







Results

- For simulated radiographs
- Max error:
 - Liaw: 3°
 - Lewinnek: 2.61°
- Median error:
 - Liaw: 1°
 - Lewinnek: 1.23°
- Mean error:
 - Liaw: 0.96°
 - Lewinnek: 1.2°
- No statistical difference between the two methods



Results

- For real radiographs
- Difference between our and Lewinnek's methods
 - Mean of absolute difference: 1.34°
 - Standard deviation of absolute difference: 1.13°



Discussion

- Perfect position required to get the real anteversion.
- Pradhan's data
 - Mean error was 0.88° .
 - Standard deviation of error was 0.65° .



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A New Tool for Measuring Cup Orientation in Total Hip Arthroplasty

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Abstract

[Background] The measuring of the acetabulum prosthesis orientation is important especially for minimal invasive hip Arthroplasty. The orientation of acetabulum consists of two parameters: the abduction (inclination) and anteversion angles. Anteversion can be further subdivided into true and planar anteversion. We have developed a new protractor to measure the orientation of the cup in total hip arthroplasty. With this new device, we can measure the true and planar anteversion as well as abduction. No other instruments such as a calculator or special table are needed, but a good quality antero-posterior Roentgenogram is required.

[Methods] We use "THR simulator" to simulate the acetabulum and femoral head x-rays, and simulate 45 THR radiographs with 15 different anteversions ranging from 15°-29° and 45 real THR radiographs. Two orthopedic specialists using Lewinnek's and our methods to measure the anteversion and abduction angles of these X-rays. Then we compare the two results with pair t test.

[Results] The mean errors are 0.96° with our method and 1.2° with the method of Lewinnek et al. There is no statistical difference between the two methods.

[Conclusions] Our new protractor allows measurement of true version, planar version, and abduction. However, further studies are needed to provide a gold standard for measurement.

Introduction

Lewinnek method

measure long axis: l
measure short axis: s
anteversion = $\arcsin(s/l)$

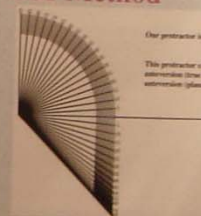


Our method

measure the ellipse at 0.4r
eliminate the overlapping femoral head



Our Method

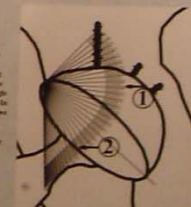


Our protractor is defined from trigonometrical method.

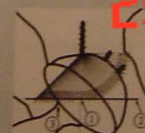
This protractor can be used to measure anatomical anteversion (true anteversion) and radiographic anteversion (planar anteversion).

Measuring radiographic anteversion (planar anteversion)

When we measure the planar (radiographic) anteversion and inclination, just put the protractor on the radiograph, align the long axis of the protractor with the long axis of the ellipse. Then we can read the anteversion angle from the mid point of the inferior ellipse (2). In this example, it shows 28°. At the same time, we can choose the horizontal line (1), which is parallel to the line passing through both ear drop landmarks, it shows the inclination to be 41°.



Measuring anatomical anteversion (true anteversion)



When we measure the true (anatomical) anteversion, just put the protractor on the radiograph, align the protractor, let the long axis of the protractor pass through the center of the ellipse (1). Draw a horizontal line (2) through the center of the ellipse and intersect with the ellipse (2). We can read the anteversion angle at the intersect point. In this case, it shows the anteversion to be 27°.

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The Improvement of Widmer's Protractor



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Measurement of the Acetabular Cup Anteversion on the Simulated Radiographs

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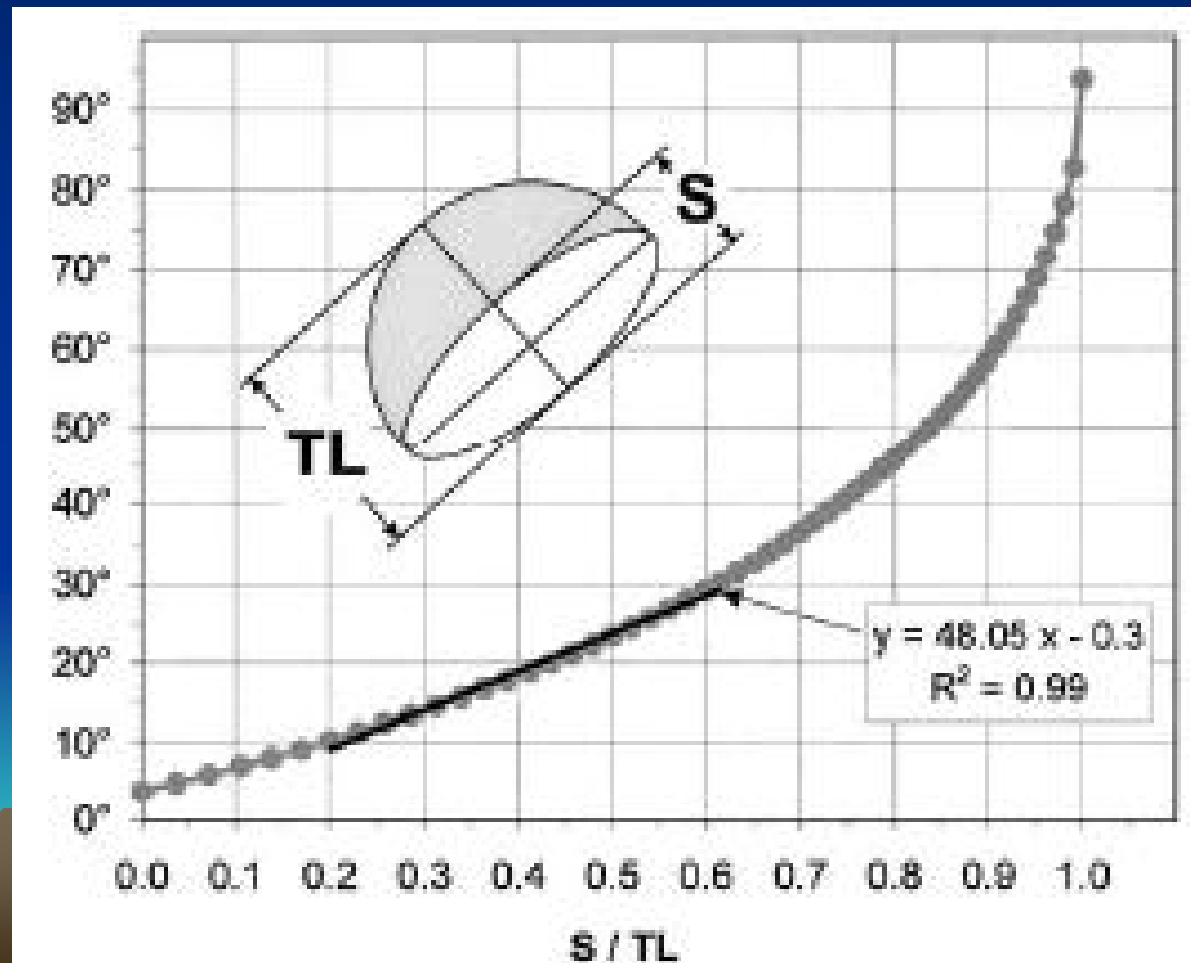
Widmer's Method

- Easy to use, but imprecise.
- Widmer, K.H., *A simplified method to determine acetabular cup anteversion from plain radiographs. J Arthroplasty*, 2004. **19**(3): p. 387-90.



Widmer's Method

- Anteverision= $48.5 \cdot (S/TL) - 0.3$



Sources of Imprecision

- Approximate curve with linear regression.
- Ignore different inclination (abduction) influences on anteversion of oblique projection.



Proposed Methods

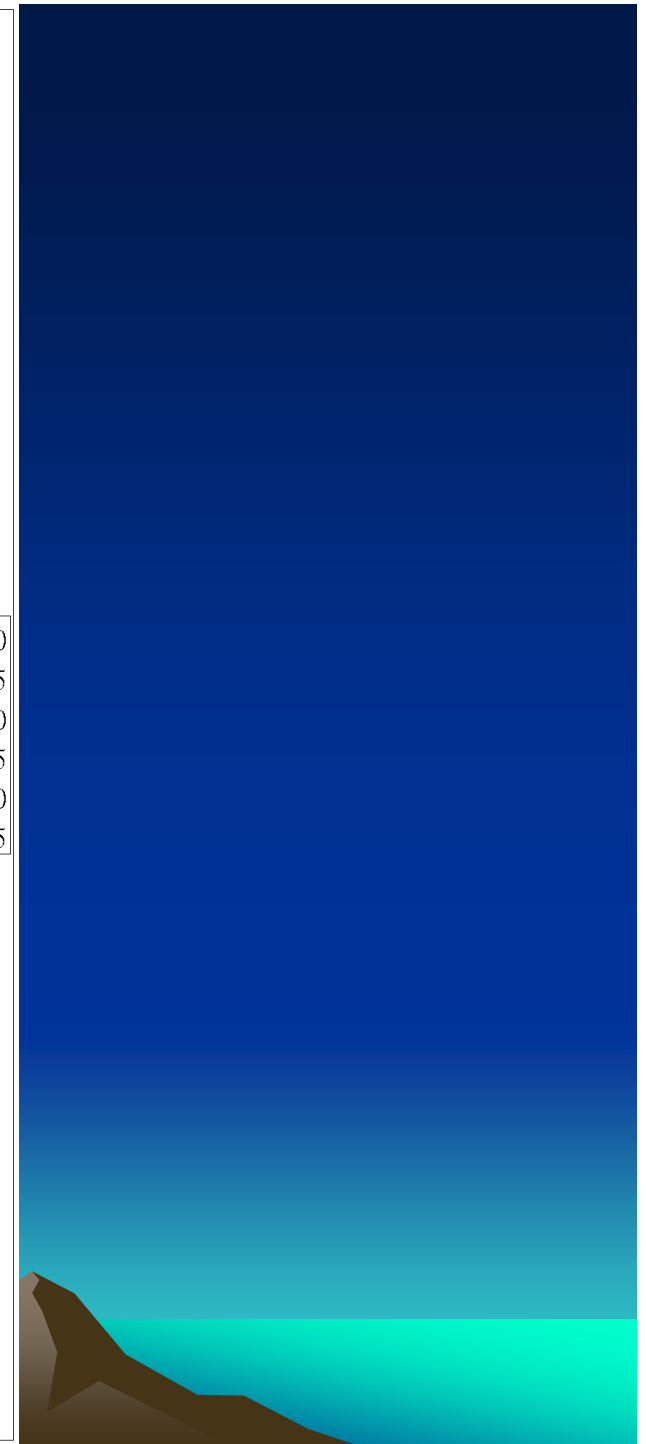
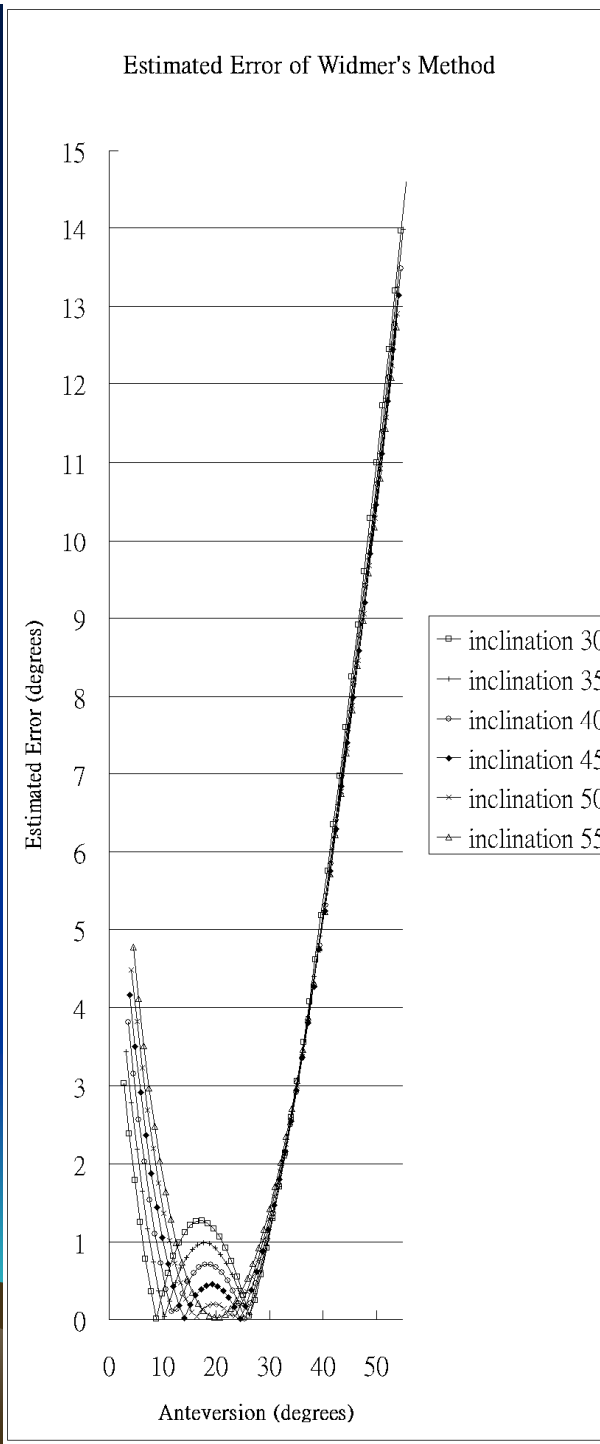
- Improve precision
- Use hip AP view radiographs
 - Eliminate second source of imprecision.
- Approximate curve with mathematic equation.

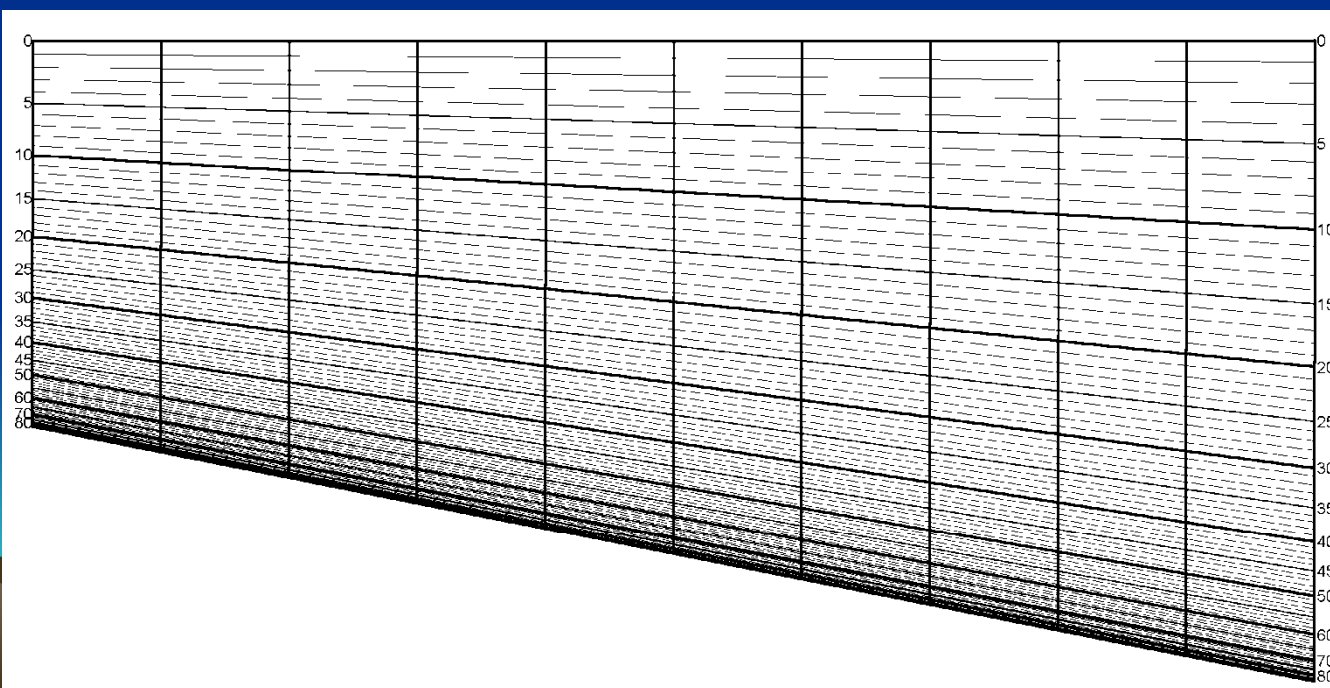
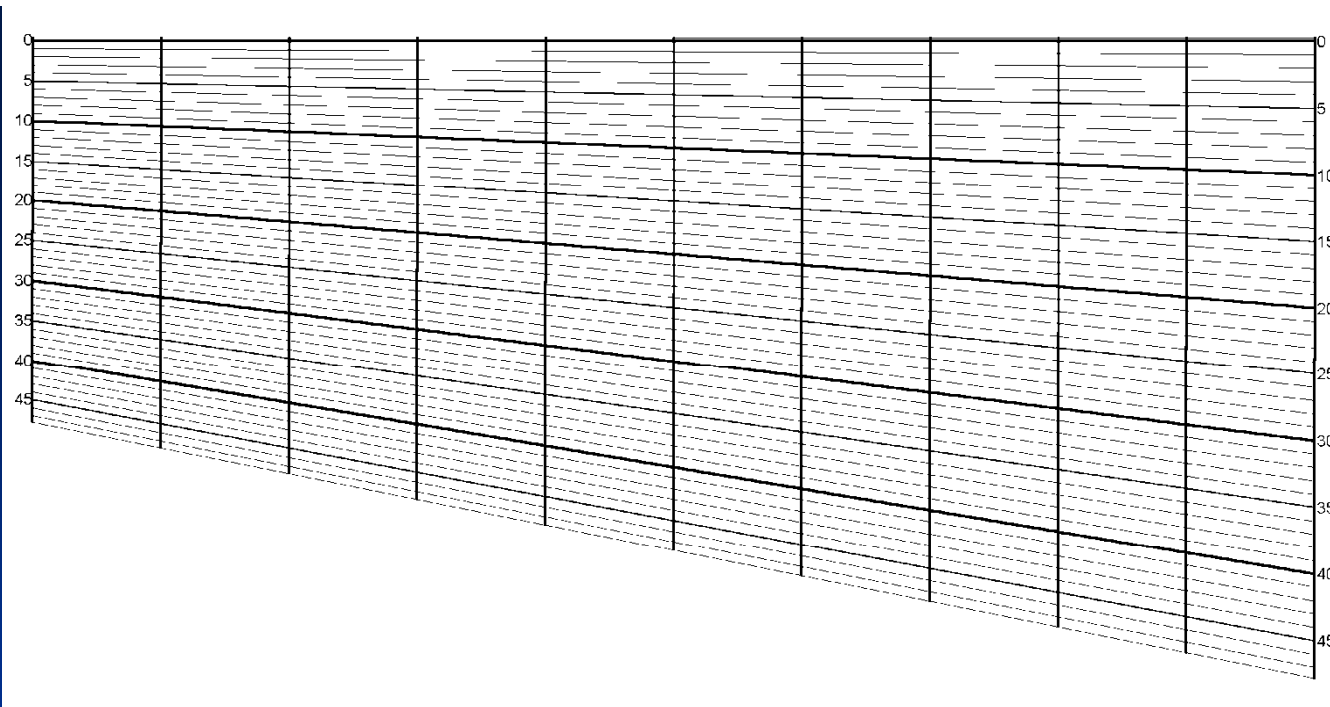


Mathematical Relationship

- $TL = (I + S) / 2$
- $TL = S / (S/TL_{\text{ratio}})$
- $I = 2 TL - S = 2 S / (S/TL_{\text{ratio}}) - S$
- $S/I = S / (2 S / (S/TL_{\text{ratio}}) - S) = (S/TL_{\text{ratio}}) / (2 - (S/TL_{\text{ratio}}))$
- Radiographic version
= $\sin^{-1}(S / I)$
= $\sin^{-1}((S/TL_{\text{ratio}}) / (2 - (S/TL_{\text{ratio}})))$







Proposed Methods

- We simulate 336 total hip arthroplasty radiographs with 48 different anteversions ranging from 5° – 52° and seven different inclinations (30° , 35° , 40° , 45° , 50° , 55° , and 60°) using our *Simulator*.
- Measure the anteversion of the 336 radiographs with our improved method and with Widmer's method.
- Compared with pair *t*-test.

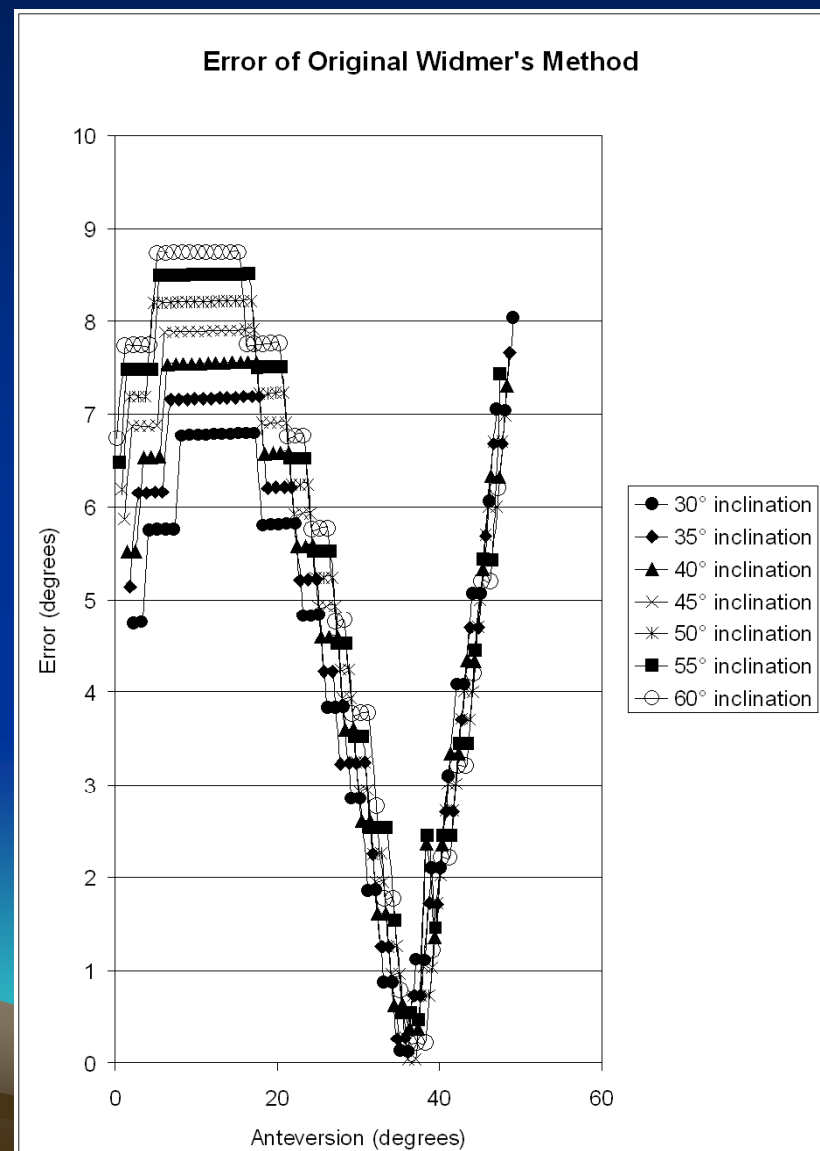
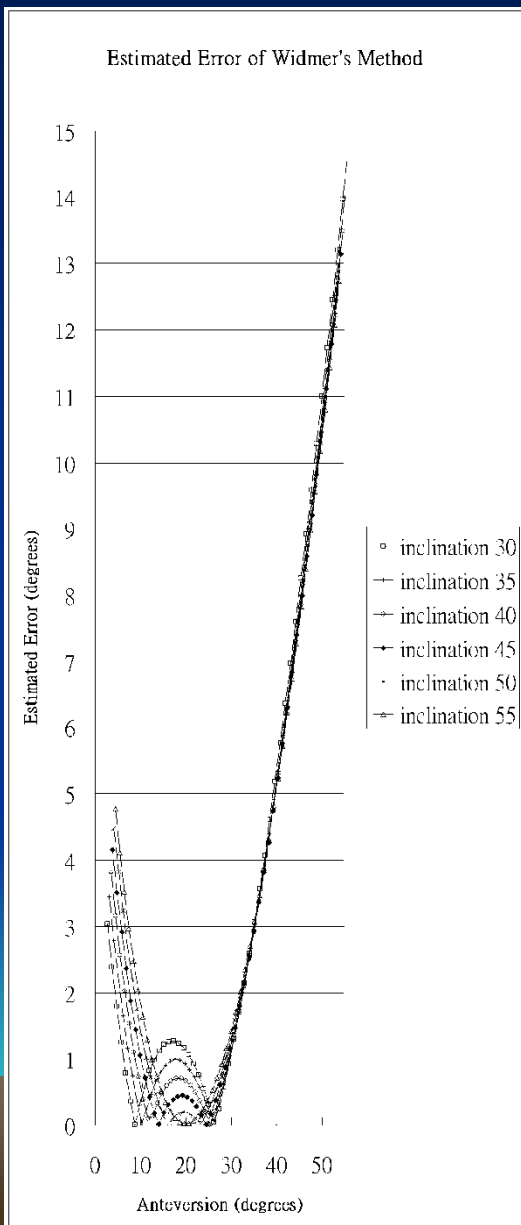


Materials and Methods

- We randomly select ten hip arthroplasty radiographs and measure the radiographic anteversion with our method and Widmer's method **twice each** by one of the authors.



Results



Results

- For simulated radiographs
- Max error:
 - Ours: 3°
 - Widmer's: 8.7°
- Mean error:
 - Ours: 0.8°
 - Widmer's: 5.2°
- There is statistical difference between the two methods. ($p < 0.0001$)



Results

- For real radiographs
- Inter-measurement difference
 - Absolute difference
 - Ours: 0° to 1°
 - Widmer's: 0° to 2°



Liaw's Version – A New Standardized Version of Acetabular Prosthesis



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A simple mathematical standardized measurement of acetabulum anteversion after total hip arthroplasty

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Position Problems

- Position will interfere the anteversion we measure.
- Position problems include
 - X-ray tube position
 - Film position
 - Patient position



X Ray Tube Position

- 100 cm above the patient
- Pelvis AP view
 - Centered at symphysis pubis
- Hip AP view
 - Centered at femoral head (acetabulum)



X Ray Film Position

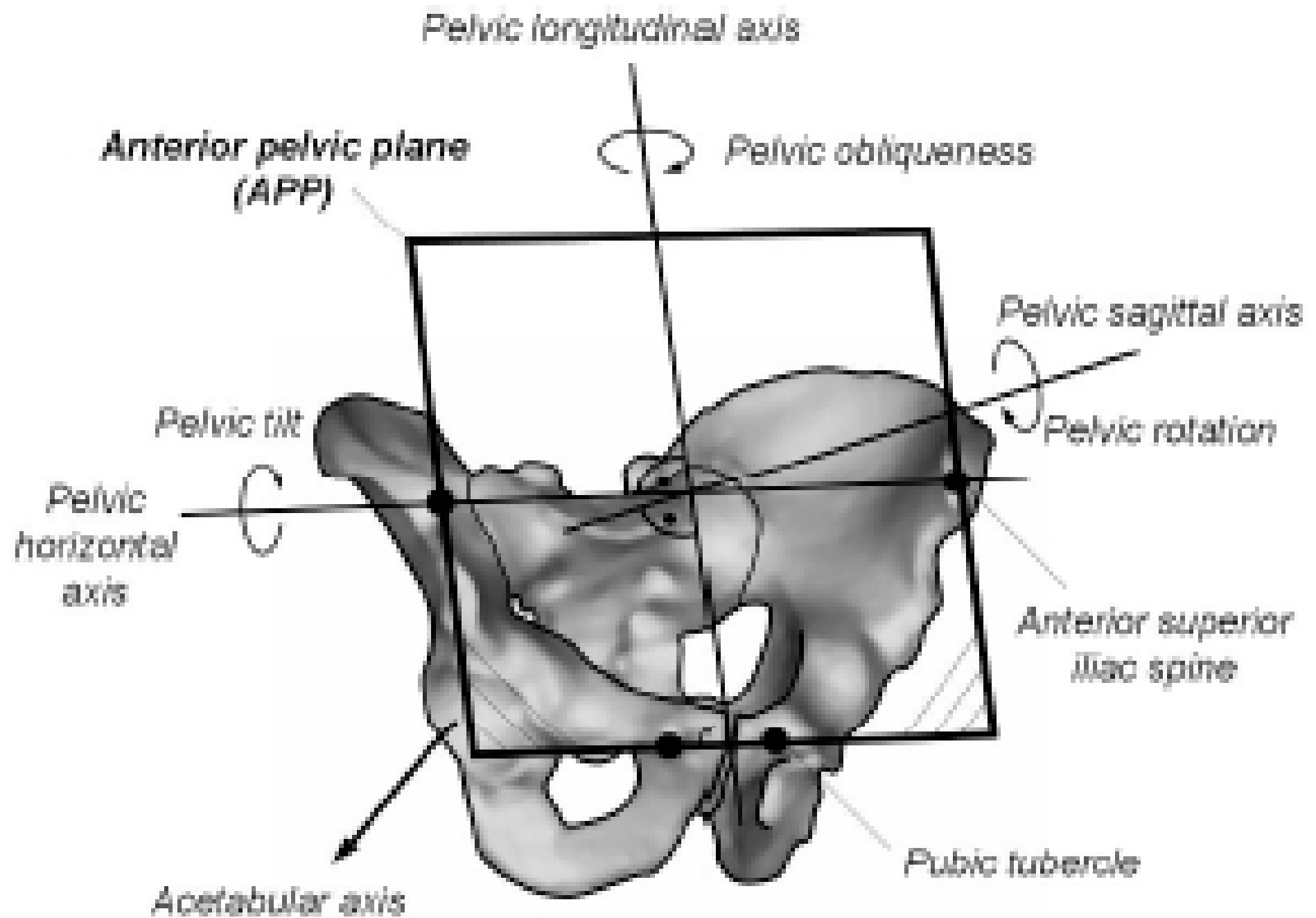
- Pelvis AP view
 - Perpendicular to X ray tube to symphysis pubis
- Hip AP view
 - Perpendicular to X ray tube to femoral head
- Below patient



Patient Position

- No tilt
- No rotation
- Pelvis AP view
 - Line X ray tube to symphysis pubis is parallel to symphysis pubis to sacrococcygeal junction
- Hip AP view
 - Line X ray tube to femoral head is parallel to symphysis pubis to sacrococcygeal junction





Position Problem

- To keep X ray tube and film in good position is easy.
- Hard to obtain good position of patient.



Patient Position Problem

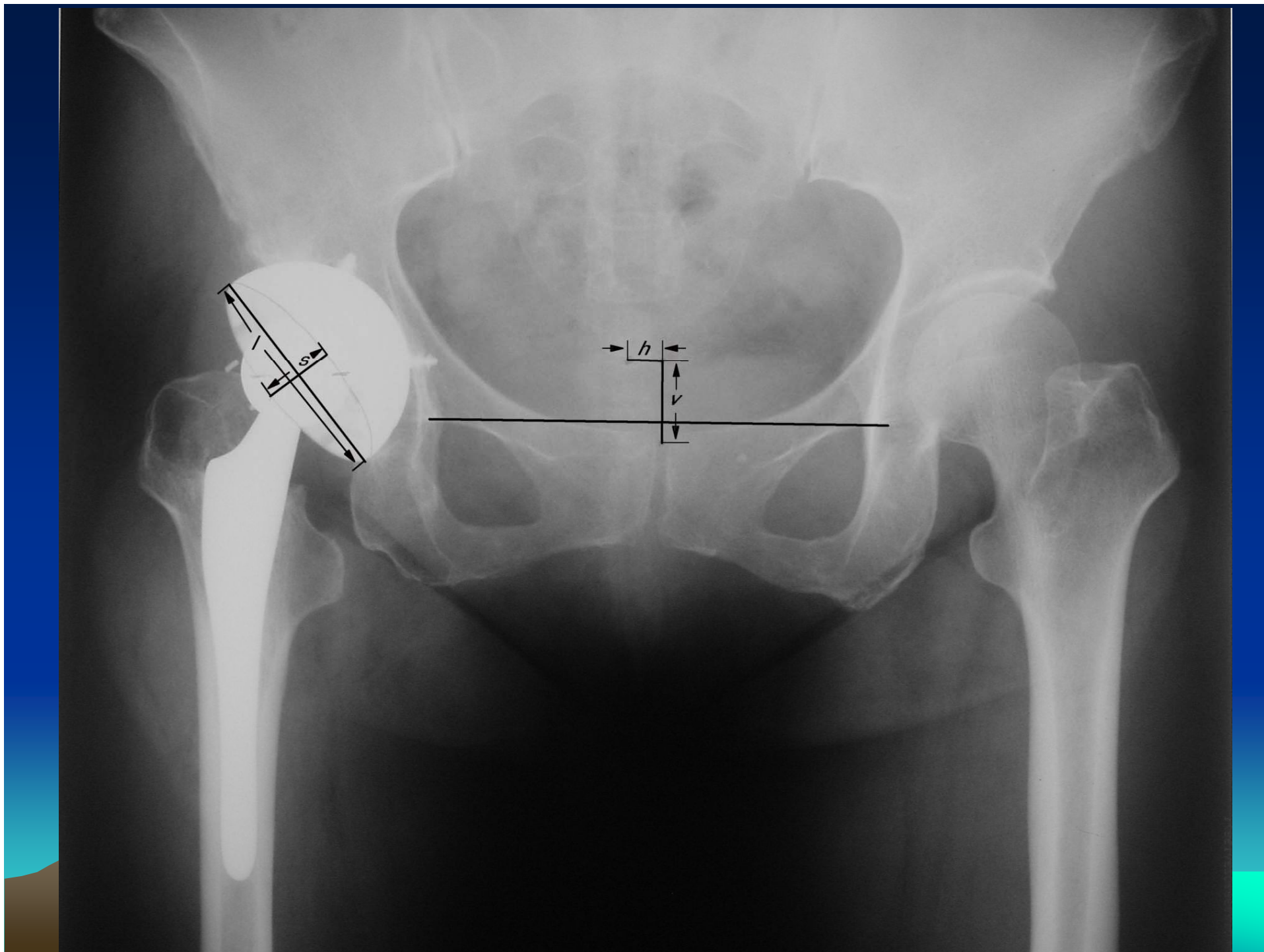
- We can take X ray again and again until we obtain good patient position.
- Jaramaz's method uses CT (computer tomography) to obtain three-dimensional relationship and then calculate the anteversion.
- *Clin. Orthop.*, 354:70–80, 1998.



Our Solution

- Take X ray without concerning patient's position.
- Find clues on this X ray and calculate the patient's position.
- Then correct the anteversion by the patient's position.

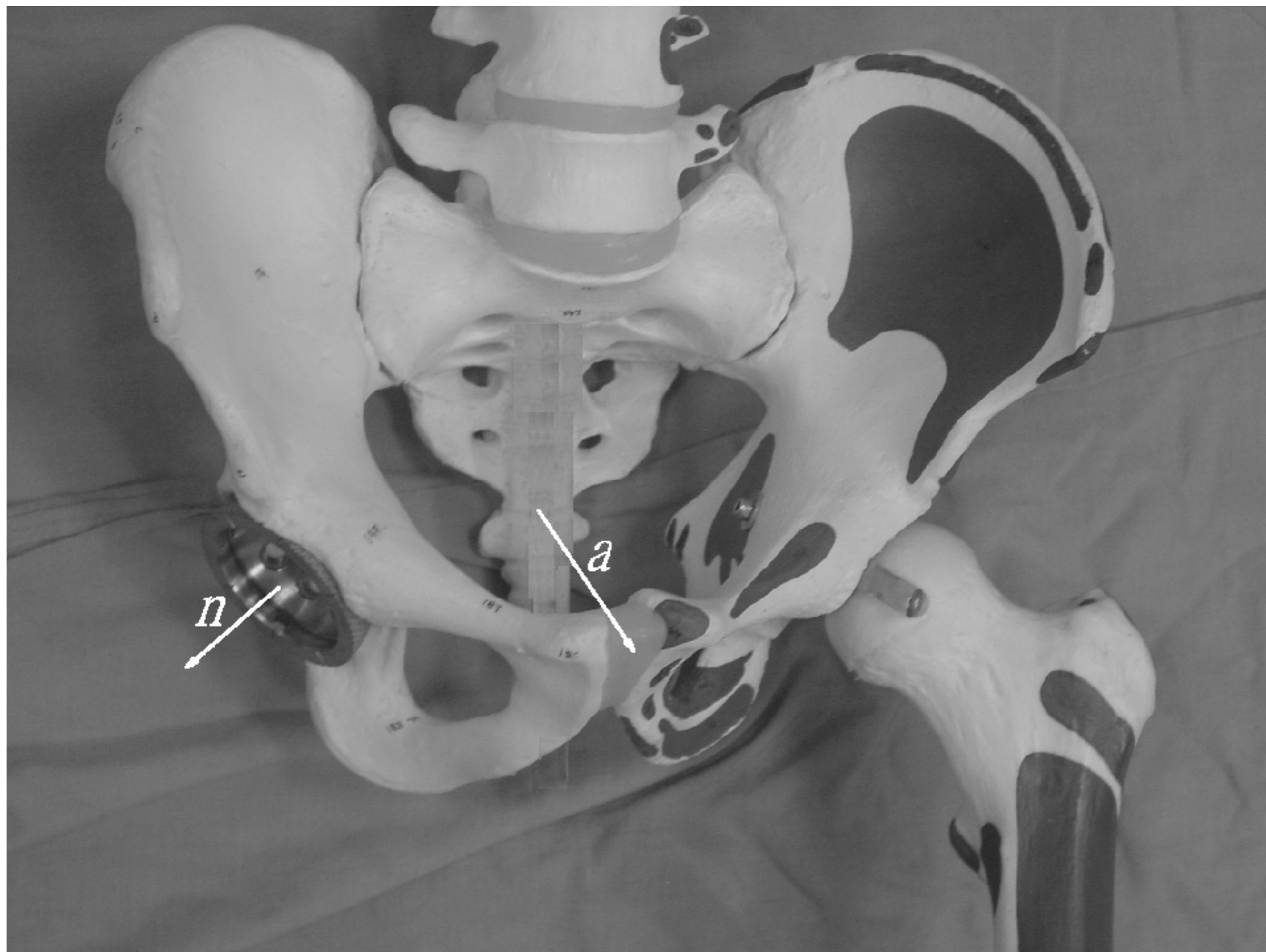




Our Definition of Anteversion

- Pelvis radiographic axis: the axis from center of sacrococcygeal junction pointed toward upper pole of symphysis pubis.
 - The upper pole of symphysis pubis means the mid point of upper end of interpubic fibracartilage.
- Radiographic standardized anteversion (Liaw's version): the angle between the plane of acetabulum and pelvis radiographic axis



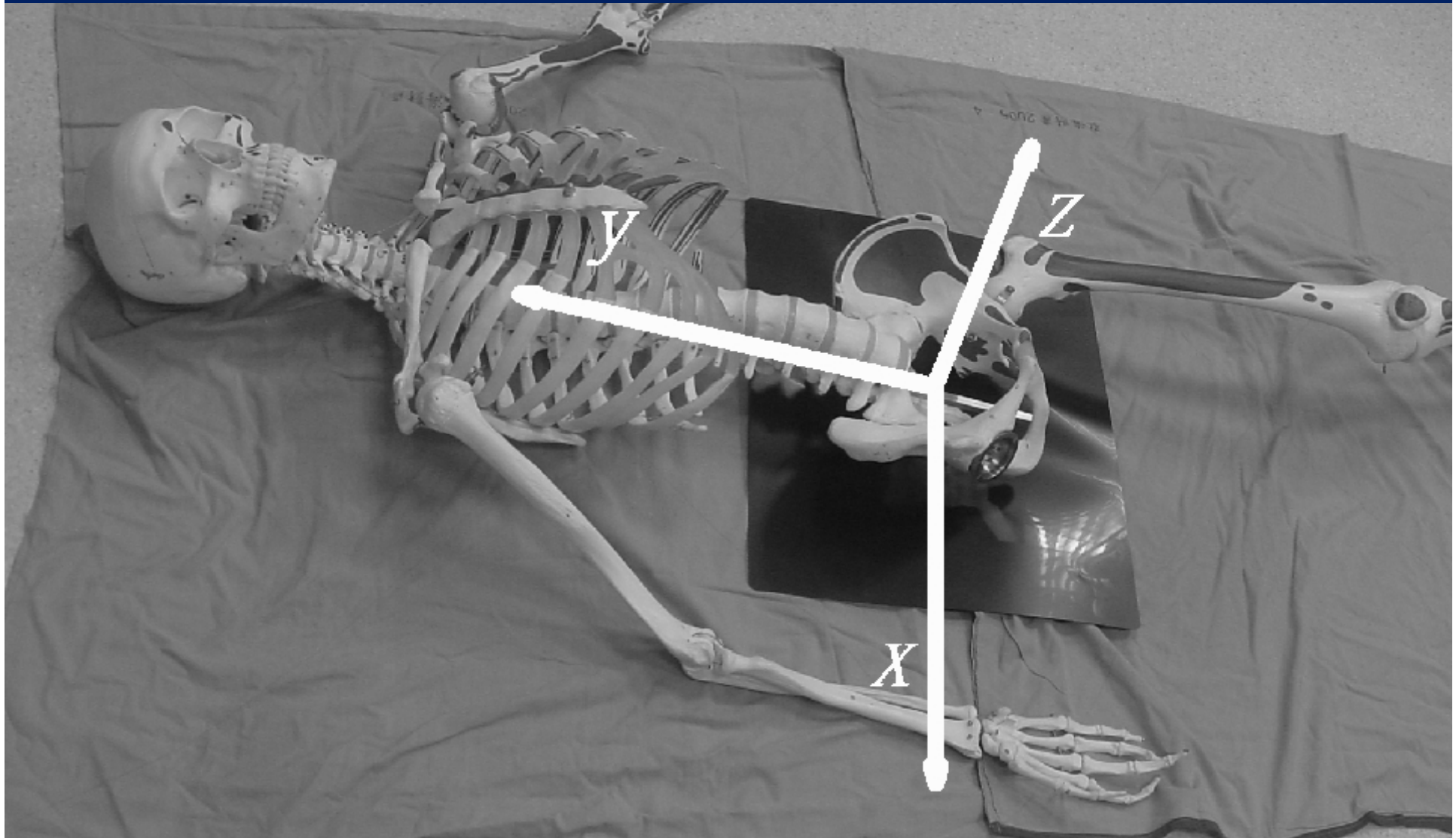


Obtain Patient's Position

- Define Cartesian coordinate system
- Obtain pelvis radiographic axis from plain X ray.
- Obtain vector of pelvis radiographic axis.
- Obtain normal vector of acetabulum.
- Calculate the angle between the two vectors.

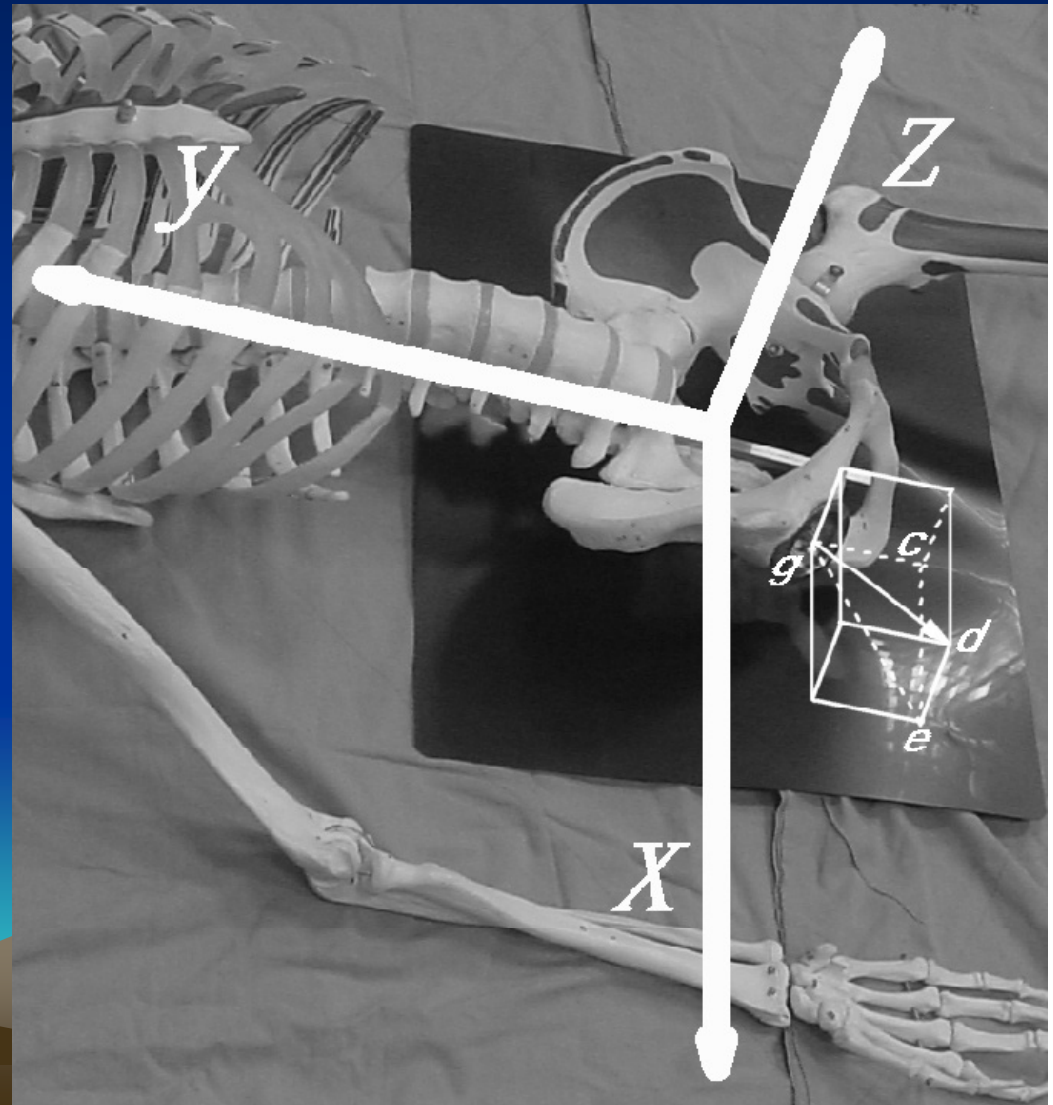


Cartesian Coordinate System



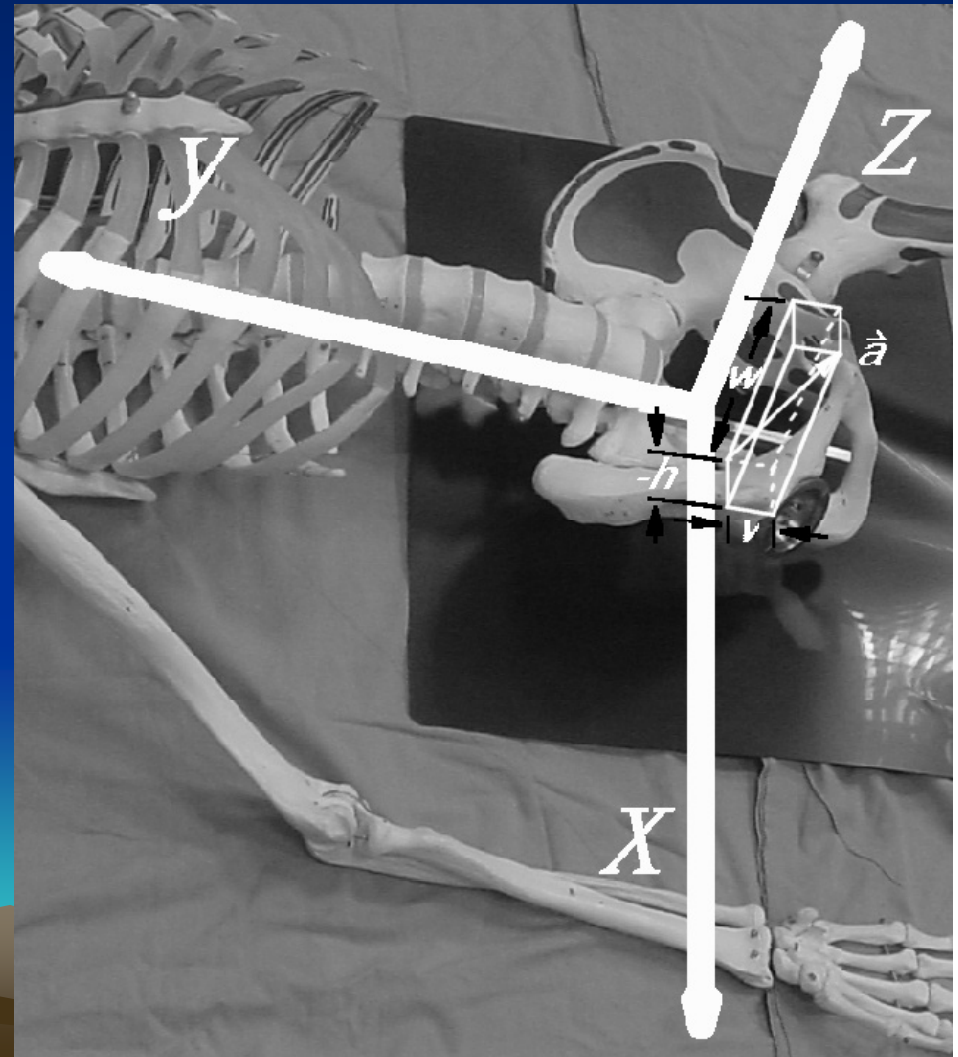
Normal Vector of Acetabulum

- Anteversion $\theta = \angle dge$
- Inclination $\phi = \angle cge$
- Unit normal vector $n = \text{vector } gd$
- Vector $n =$
($\sin\phi \cdot \cos\theta$, $-\cos\phi \cdot \cos\theta$, $\sin\theta$)



Vector of Pelvis Radiographic Axis

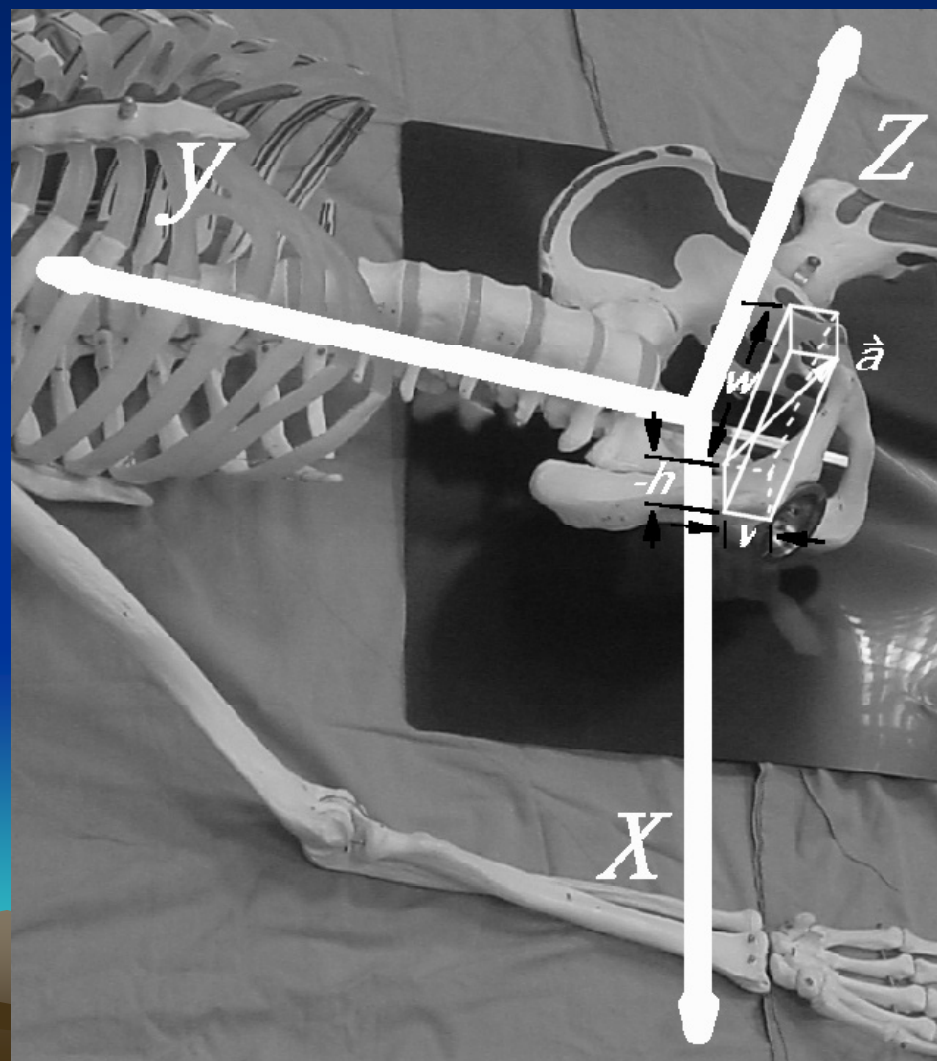
- h mm: horizontal displacement of sacrococcygeal junction related to upper pole of symphysis pubis in horizontal direction.
- h is positive if sacrococcygeal junction is between this acetabulum and the upper pole of symphysis pubis, otherwise it is negative.



Vector of Pelvis Radiographic Axis

- v mm: vertical displacement of sacrococcygeal junction related to upper pole of symphysis pubis in vertical direction.
- v is positive if sacrococcygeal junction is higher than upper pole of symphysis pubis, otherwise it is negative.
- vector $a = (-h, -v, (ssd^2 - h^2 - v^2)^{0.5})$

ssd : distance from sacrococcygeal junction to upper pole of symphysis pubis



Angle between the Two Vectors

- ω = angle between the two vectors
- $\cos\omega = (\text{vector } a \text{ dot vector } n) / (\text{length of vector } a * \text{length of vector } n)$
- $\omega = \cos^{-1}((\text{vector } a \text{ dot vector } n) / (\text{length of vector } a * \text{length of vector } n))$



Radiographic Standardized Anteversion

- radiographic standardized anteversion=
90 degrees – ω
= 90 degrees –
 $\cos^{-1}((-h * \sin\varphi * \cos\theta + v * \cos\varphi * \cos\theta +$
 $\sin\theta * (\text{ssd}^2 - h^2 - v^2)^{0.5}) / \text{ssd})$
= $\sin^{-1}((-h * \sin\varphi * \cos\theta + v * \cos\varphi * \cos\theta +$
 $\sin\theta * (\text{ssd}^2 - h^2 - v^2)^{0.5}) / \text{ssd})$



Material and Methods

- We measure *ssd* of 109 normal adults from lumbar-sacral lateral view radiographs.
- We collect ten patients who received total hip arthroplasty in En Chu Kong Hospital in 1999.
- Inclusion criteria
 - Radiographs include the acetabulum, symphysis pubis, and sacrococcygeal junction.
- Exclusion criteria
 - Average radiographic anteversion below 10 degrees



Material and Methods

- We measure the radiographic anteversion by Lewinnek's method, and inclination, and then radiographic standardized anteversion by our method.



Materials and Methods

- We calculate the standard deviation for all measurement of each patient and RSD (Repeatability Standard Deviation) from ASTM E691 for comparison.
- The RSD can be seen as standard deviation.
- The lower RSD, the better.



Materials and Methods

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{j=1}^c \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} (X_{ij} - \bar{X}_j)^2}{\sum_{j=1}^c (n_j - 1)}}$$

- X_{ij} means the result of the j th patient, the i th X-rays' measurement; $\bar{X}_j$ means the mean result of the j th patient; and n_j means the total number of measurement of the j th patient.

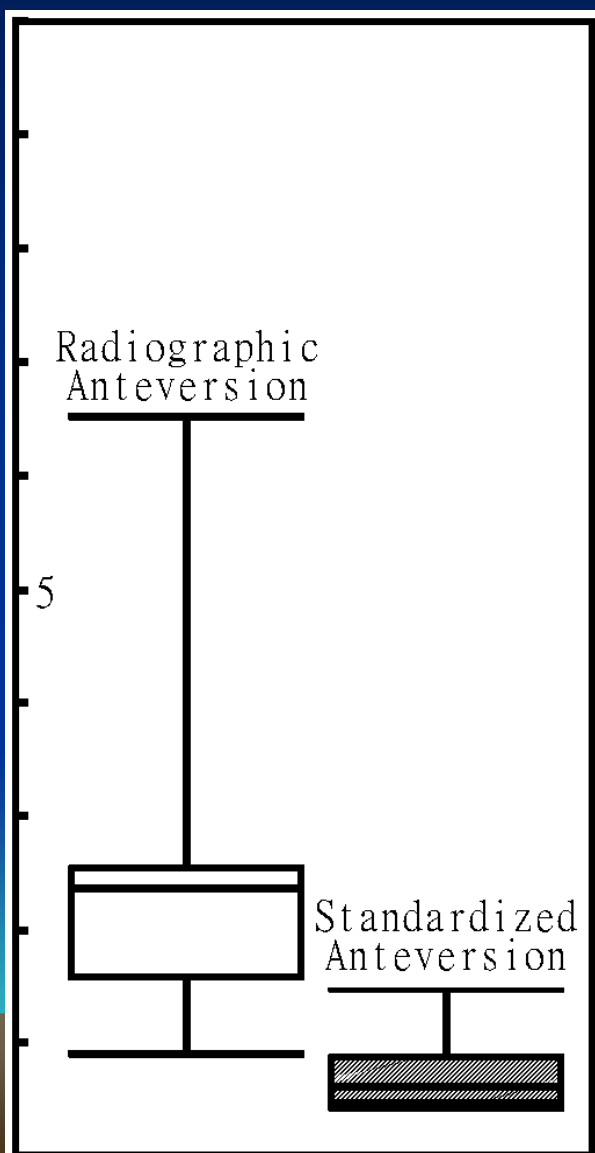
Results

- *ssd*
 - Male: 137 to 190mm, 159 ± 12 mm
 - Female: 138 to 183mm, 160 ± 12 mm
 - Total: 137 to 190mm, 159 ± 12 mm
 - No sex difference. ($p=0.91$)
 - Considering magnification factor, we apply the result “ $ssd=159 \times 0.9=143$ ” to standardize equation.

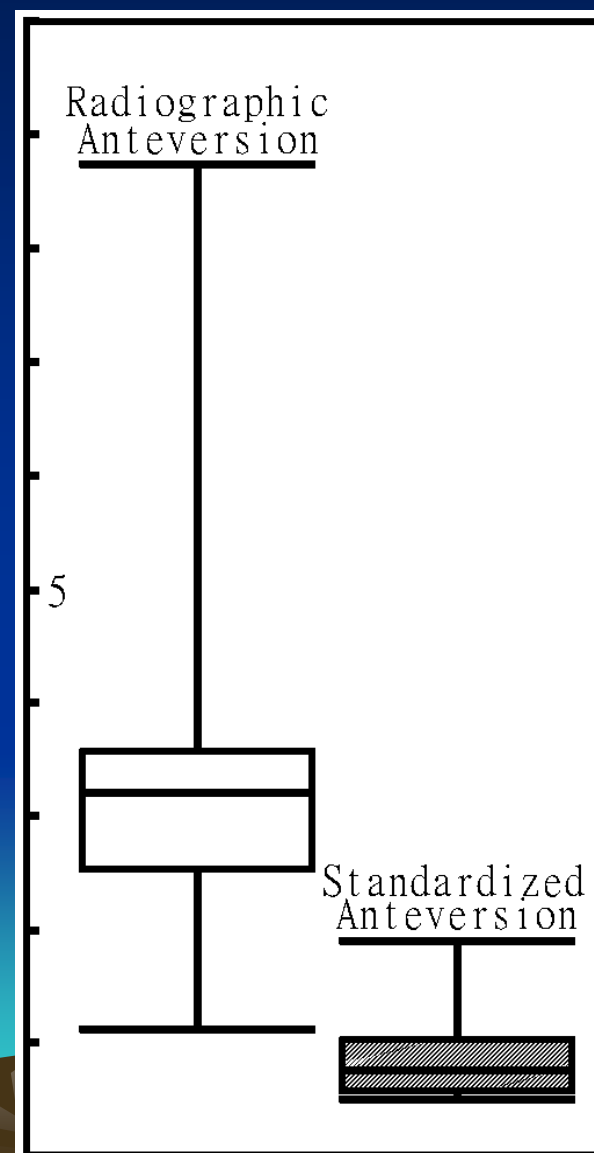


Results

Absolute difference



Standard deviation



Results

Patient	Number of radiogram of each patient	Radiographic Anteversion						Standardized Anteversion					
		Min*	Median	Max*	Mean	STD*	MAD*	Min*	Median	Max*	Mean	STD*	MAD*
1	3	6.2	11.3	11.5	9.67	3.02	2.32	15.8	17.0	17.1	16.6	0.73	0.56
2	6	7.0	12.2	18.2	12.3	3.62	2.40	17.0	18.0	18.4	17.8	0.55	0.43
3	4	0	17.1	17.9	13.0	8.73	6.52	13.7	16.6	17.9	16.2	1.90	1.46
4	10	10.3	13.5	21.0	13.9	3.17	2.30	27.6	30.1	31.5	29.8	1.39	1.14
5	11	12.9	15.3	23.1	16.4	3.43	2.59	21.1	22.4	24.1	22.6	0.99	0.81
6	5	24.9	26.4	32.9	27.6	3.25	2.42	27.6	28.5	28.9	28.3	0.54	0.44
7	8	11.6	13.2	14.8	13.1	1.11	0.89	23.6	24.5	25.6	24.6	0.77	0.65
8	5	10.8	11.4	15.1	12.3	1.73	1.33	17.0	17.4	18.3	17.6	0.56	0.47
9	8	8.3	12.4	20.9	13.4	3.99	3.09	7.5	8.7	10.2	8.9	1.04	0.89
10	8	9.1	12.7	14.1	12.4	1.48	0.90	14.6	15.2	16.1	15.3	0.50	0.42
	Total: 68					**RSD: 3.50	Average: 2.30					**RSD: 0.99	Average: 0.75

*Min: minimal

Max: maximal

STD: standard deviation

MAD: **mean** of absolute deviation

** RSD: Repeatability Standard Deviation

Discussion

- CT standardization method:
 - average of absolute deviation: 2.3°
 - standard deviation: 2.9°
- Liaw version:
 - average of absolute deviation: 0.75°
 - repeatability standard deviation: 0.99°



Summary

- We provide a digital *Simulator* as gold standard for acetabular component orientation study.
- We invent a new protractor.
- We improve the precision of Widmer's protractor.
- We invent a new two-dimensional standardized anteversion, Liaw version, to solve the position problem.



Conclusion

- Some of our studies have been published in medical and mathematical journals (see Appendix E), we hope the future studies can use our inventions.



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