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FlexPLI behaviour in outer area – Rev. 1

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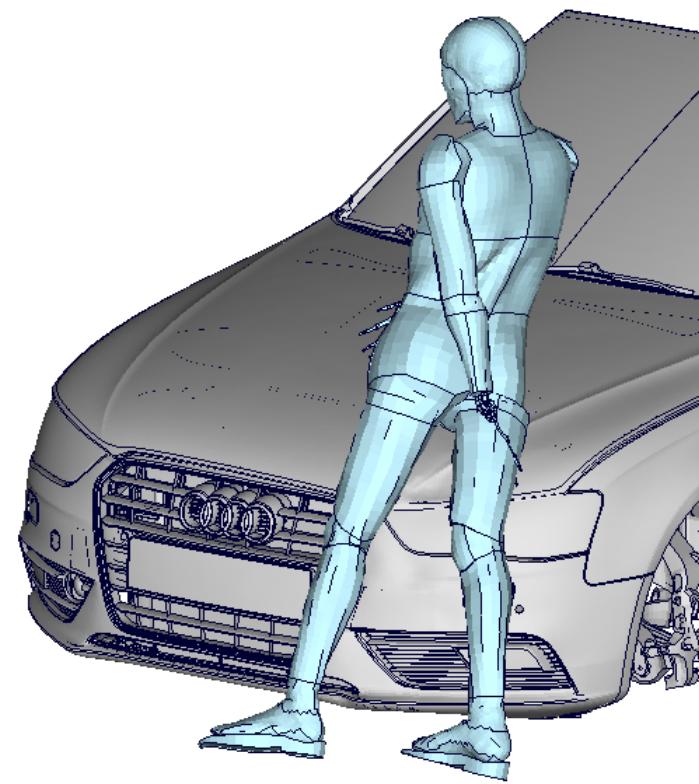
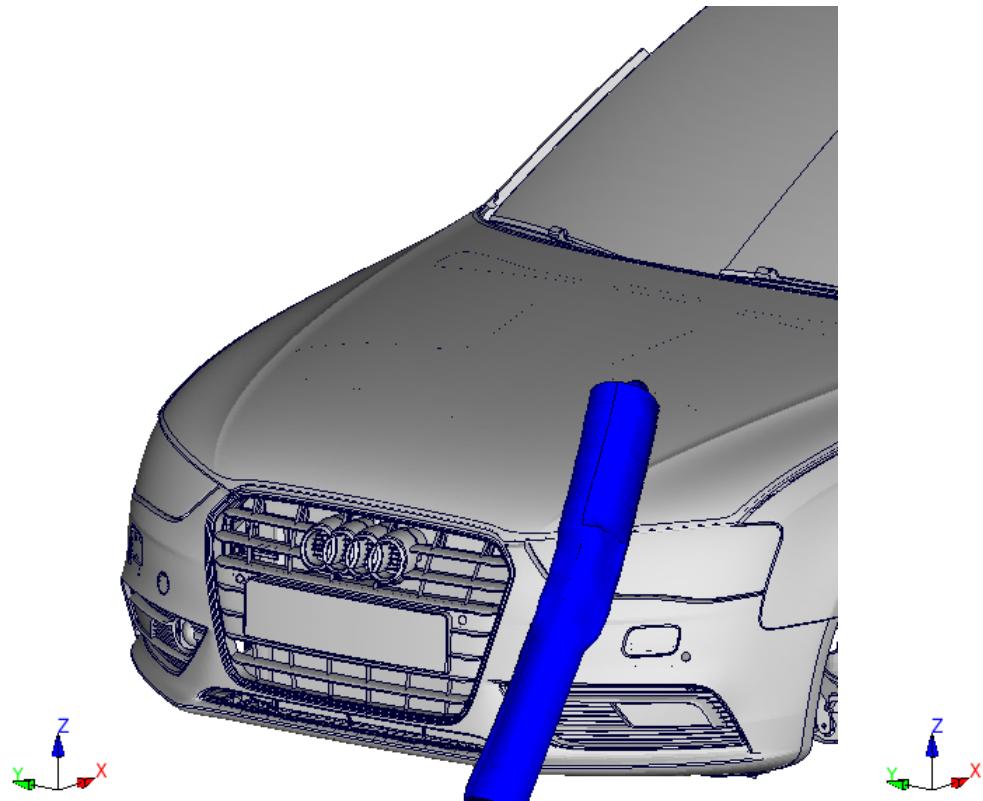
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Aim of the study

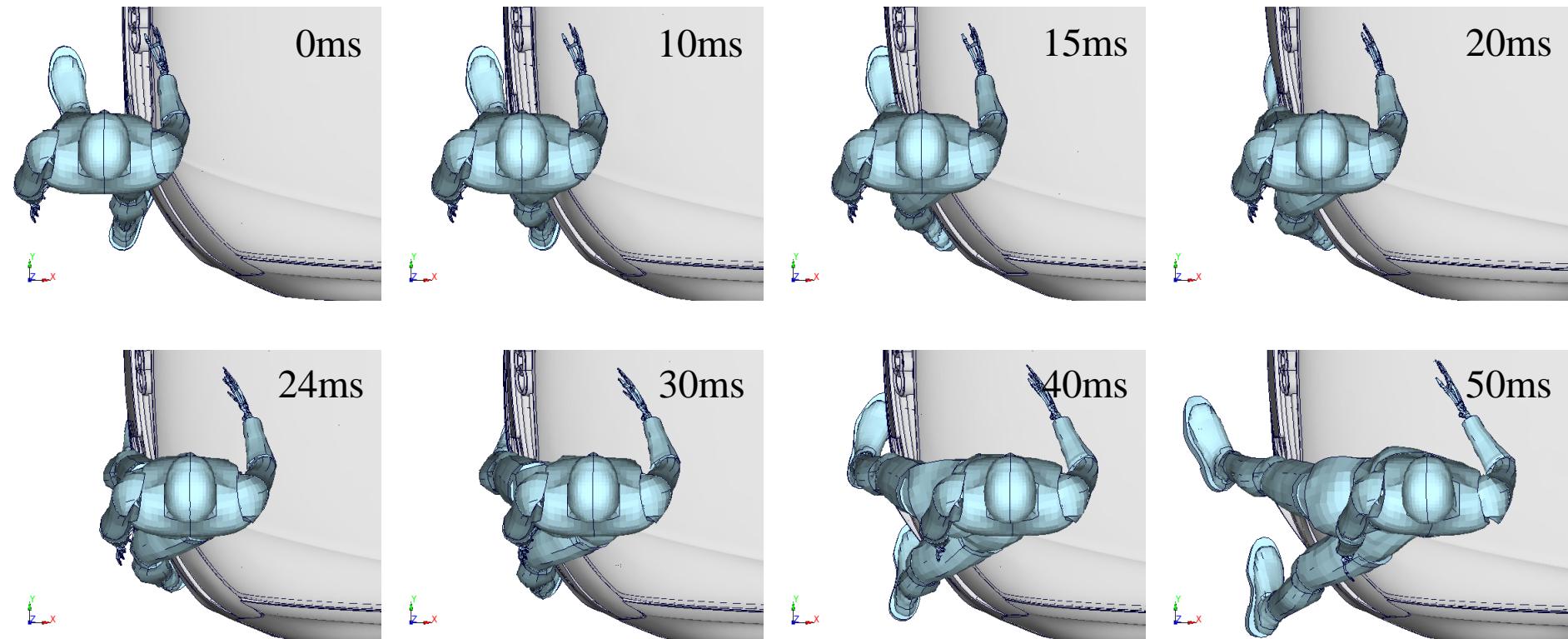
- Comparison of the behaviour from FlexPLI and Human Model THUMS in the outer area of the bumper



FlexPLI Behaviour in Outer Area

THUMS in area $\geq 30^\circ$

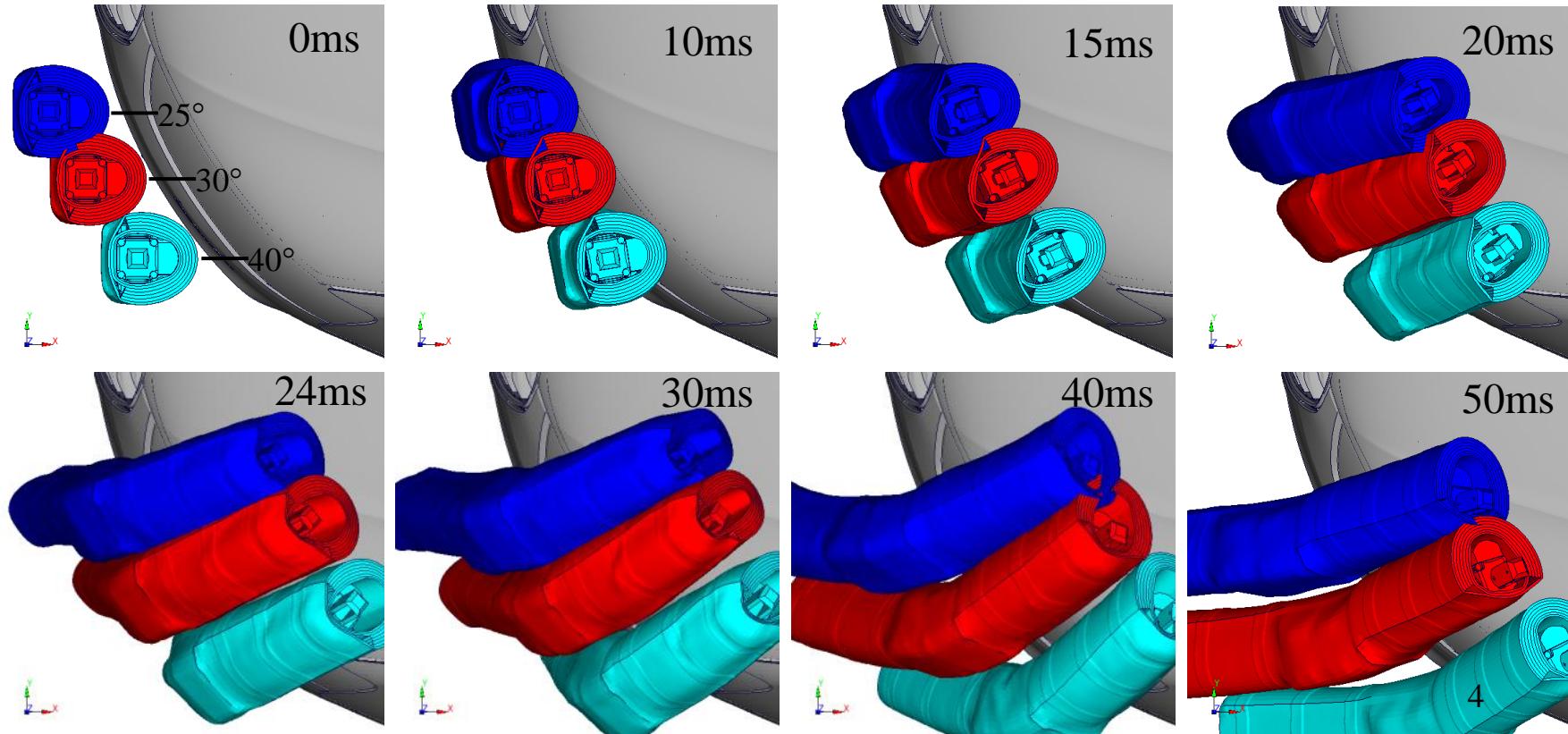
- Impact position Y500L (25°-tangent)



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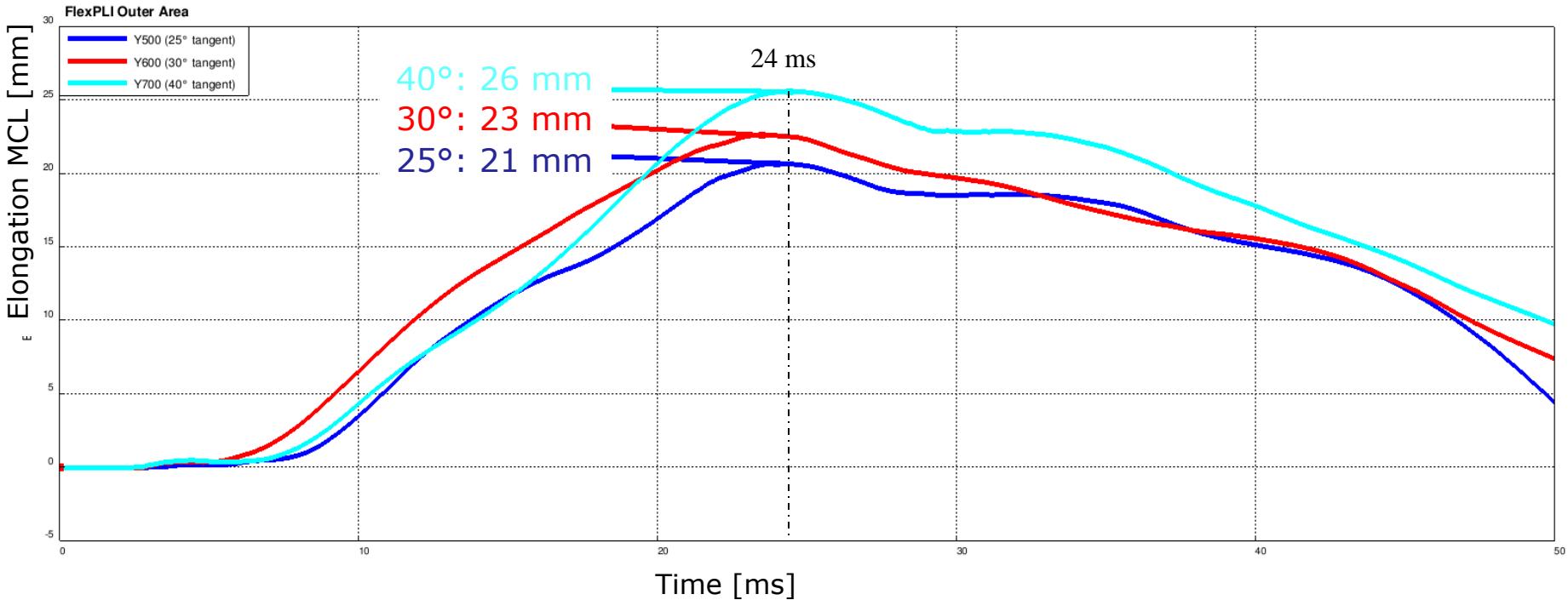
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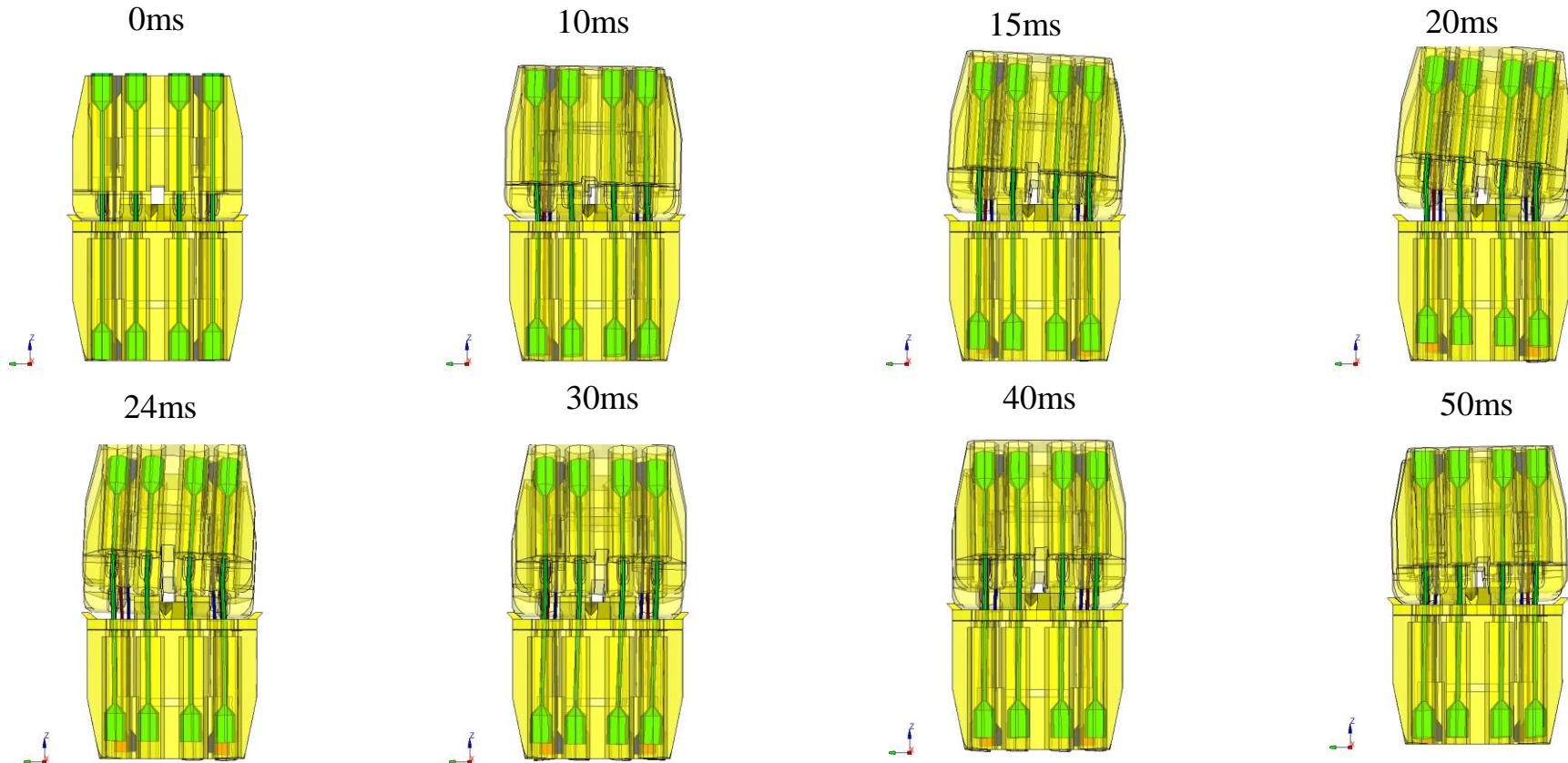
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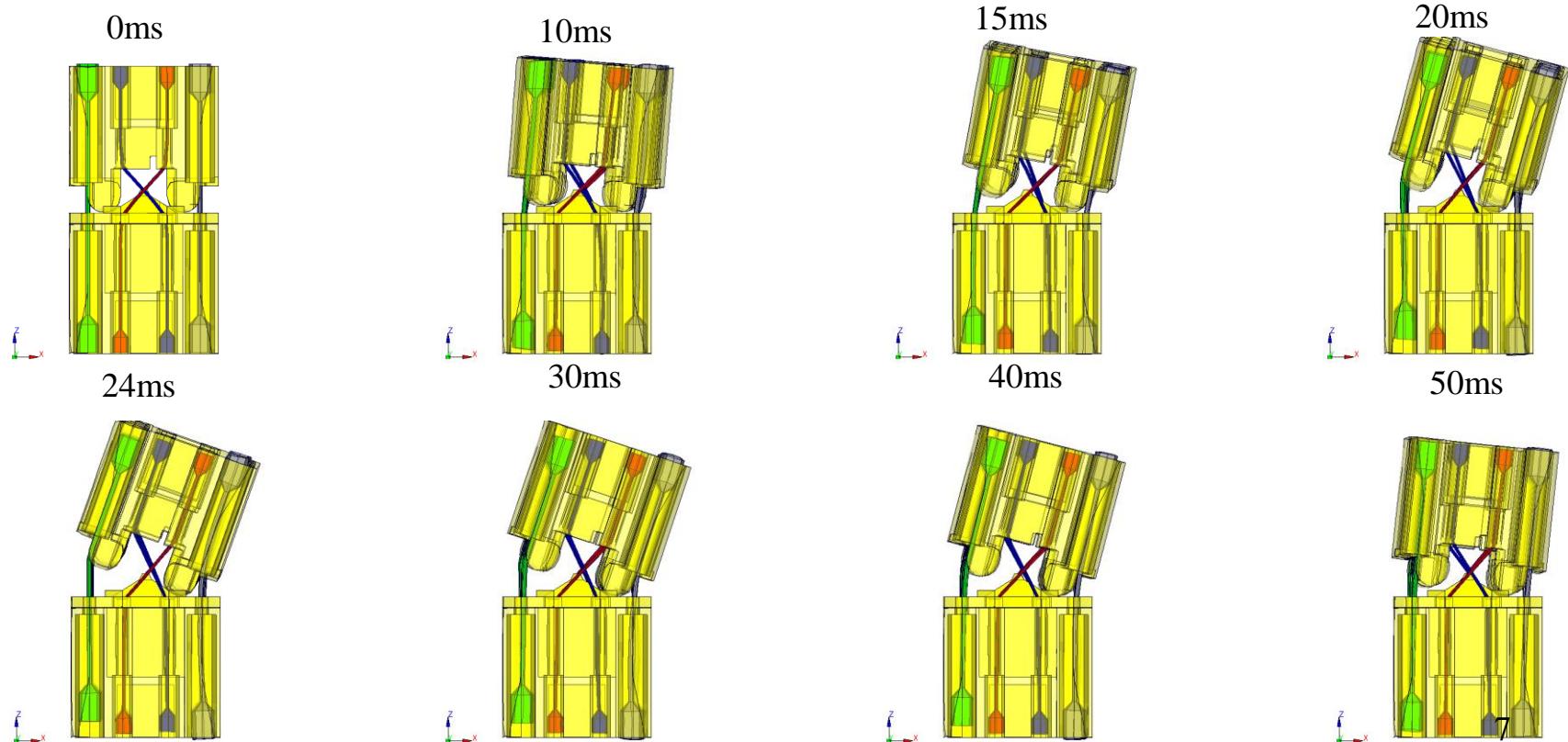
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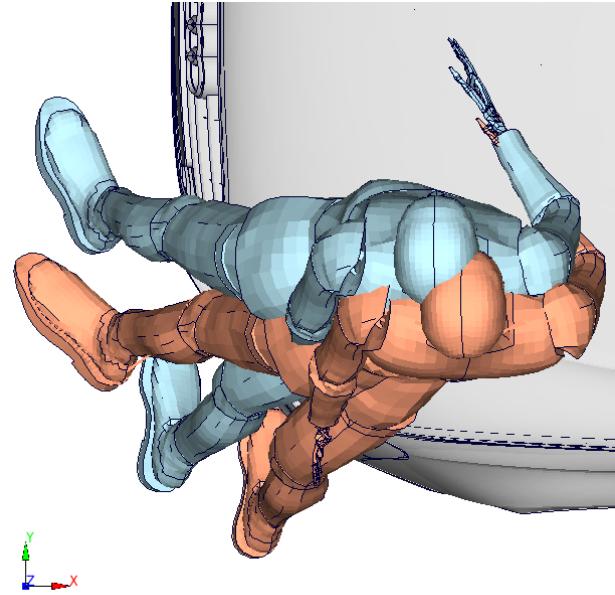
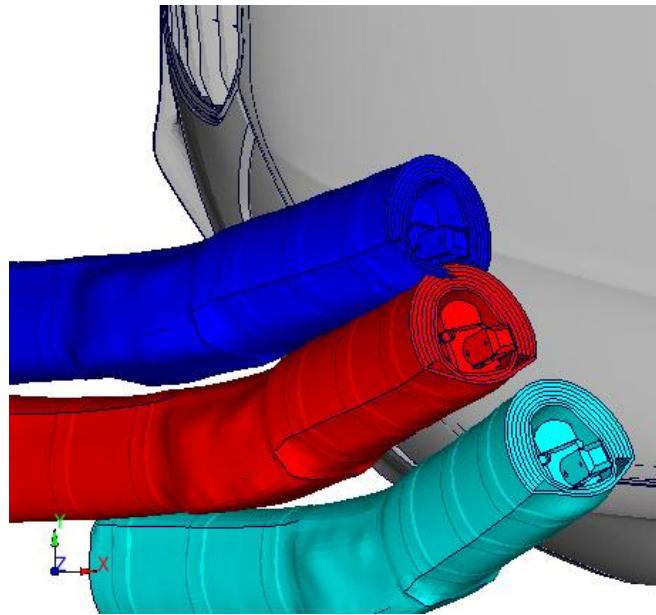
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Comparison of THUMS / FlexPLI

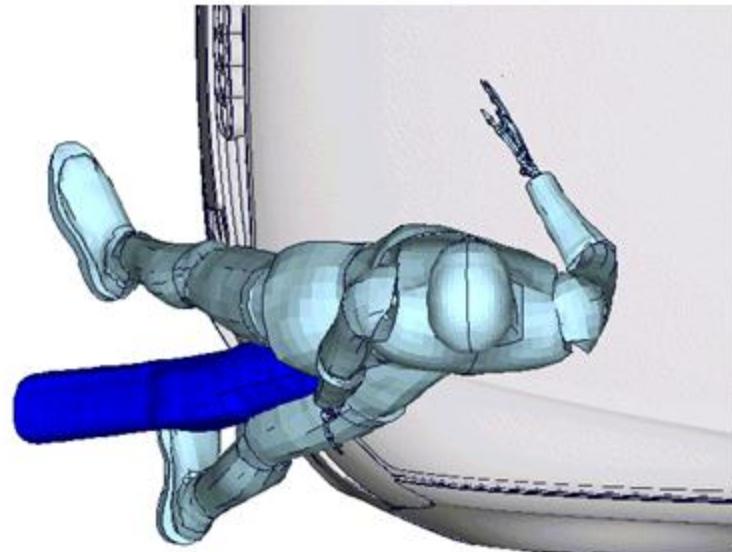
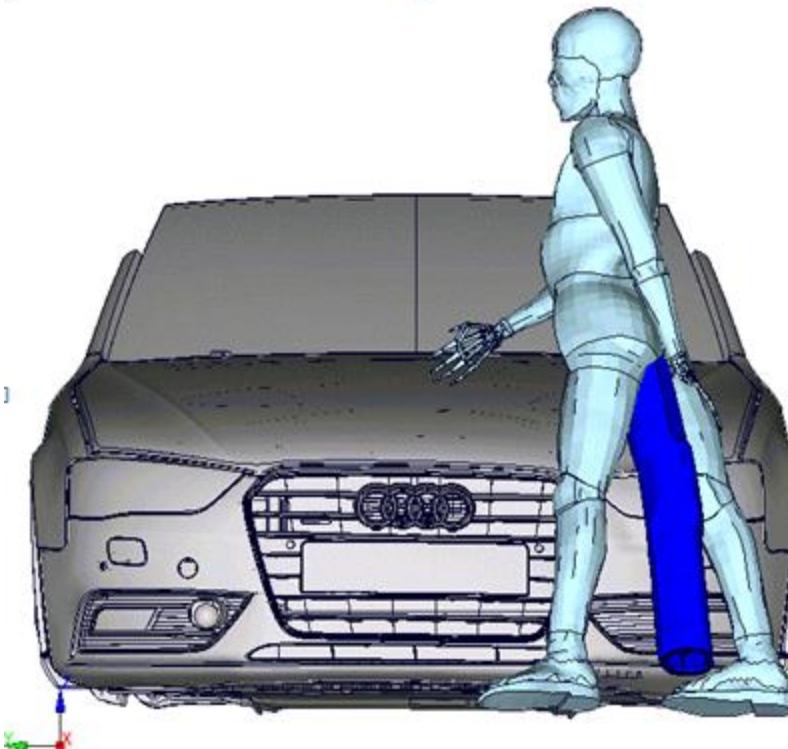
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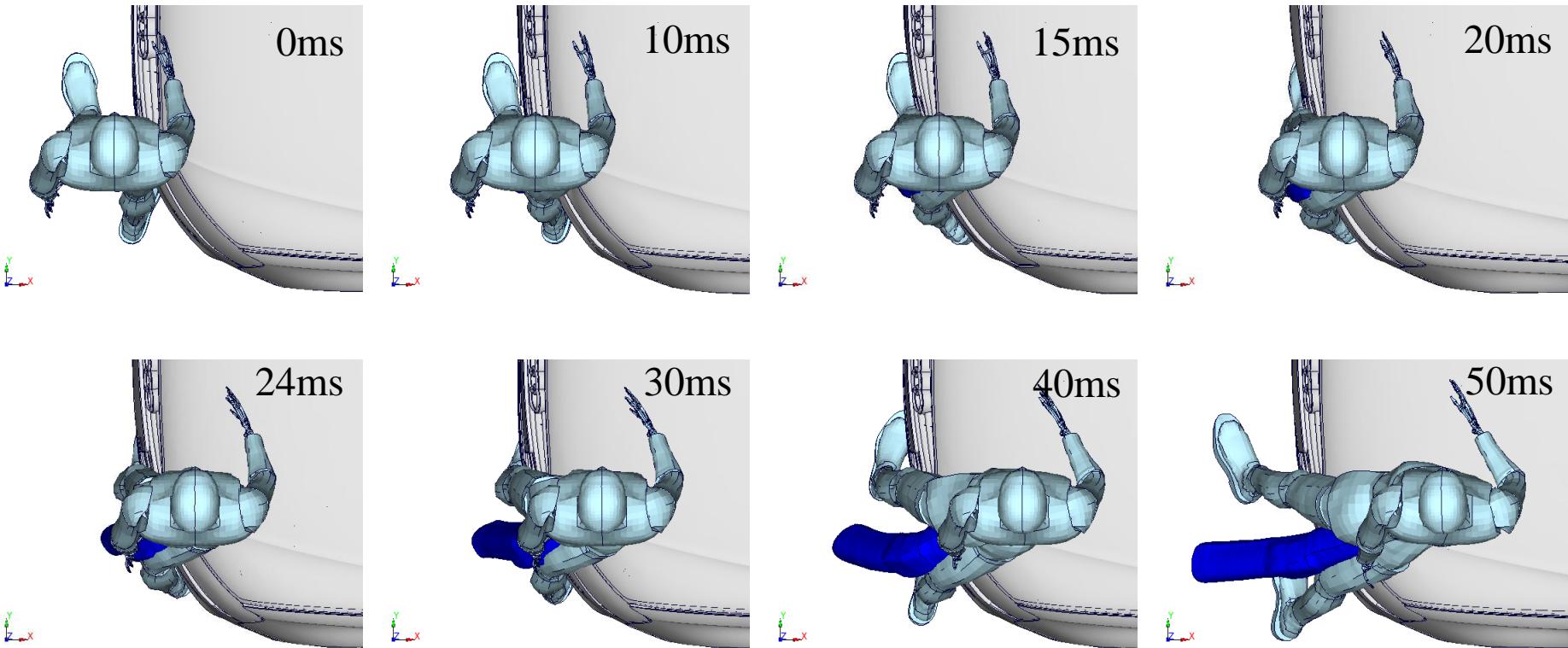
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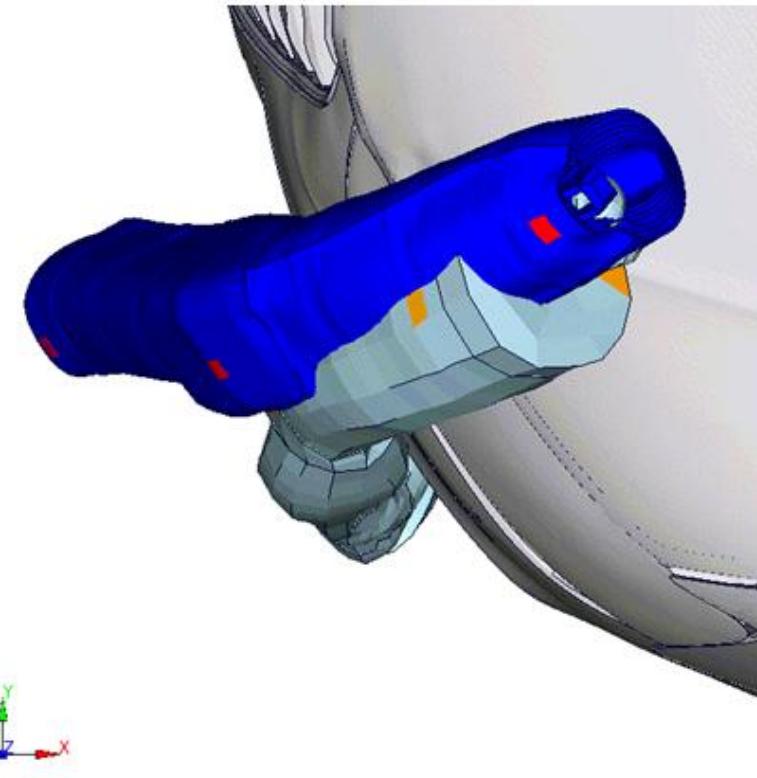
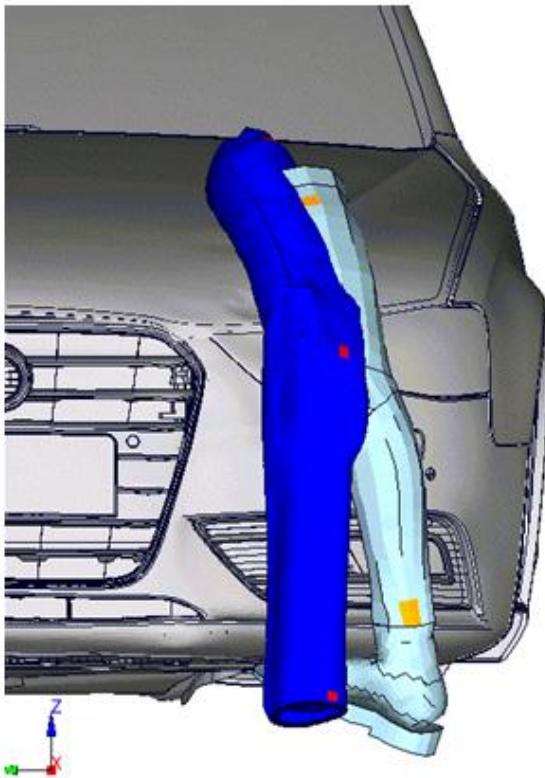


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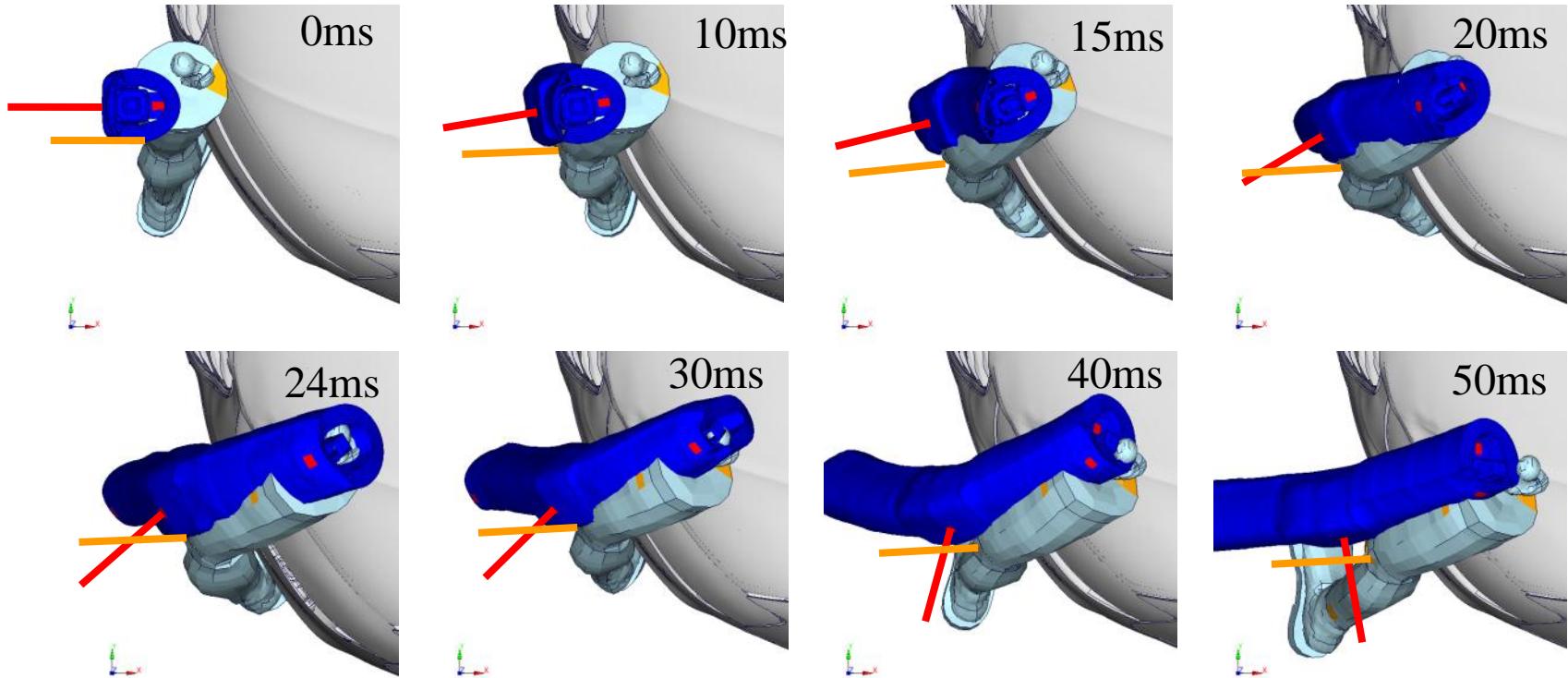
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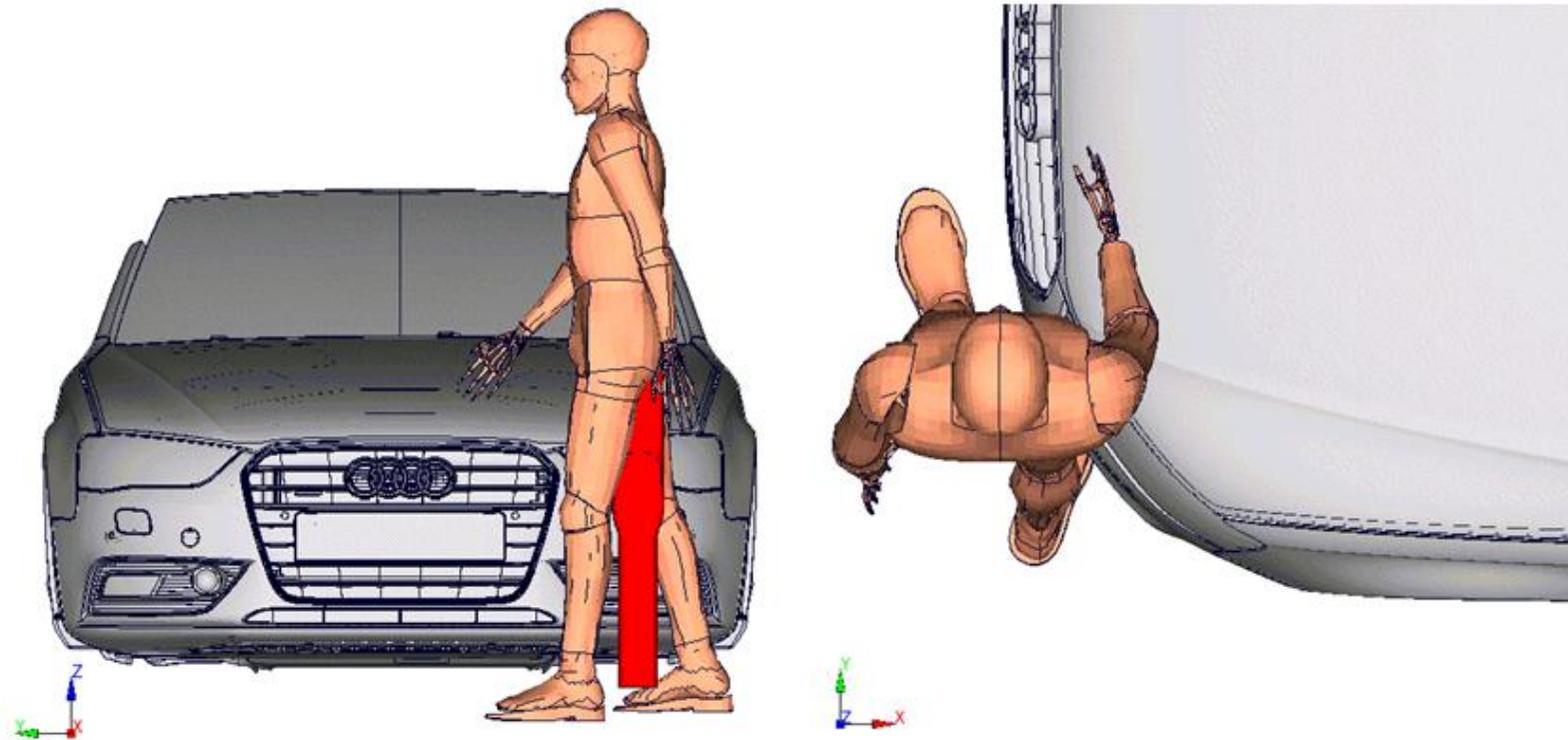
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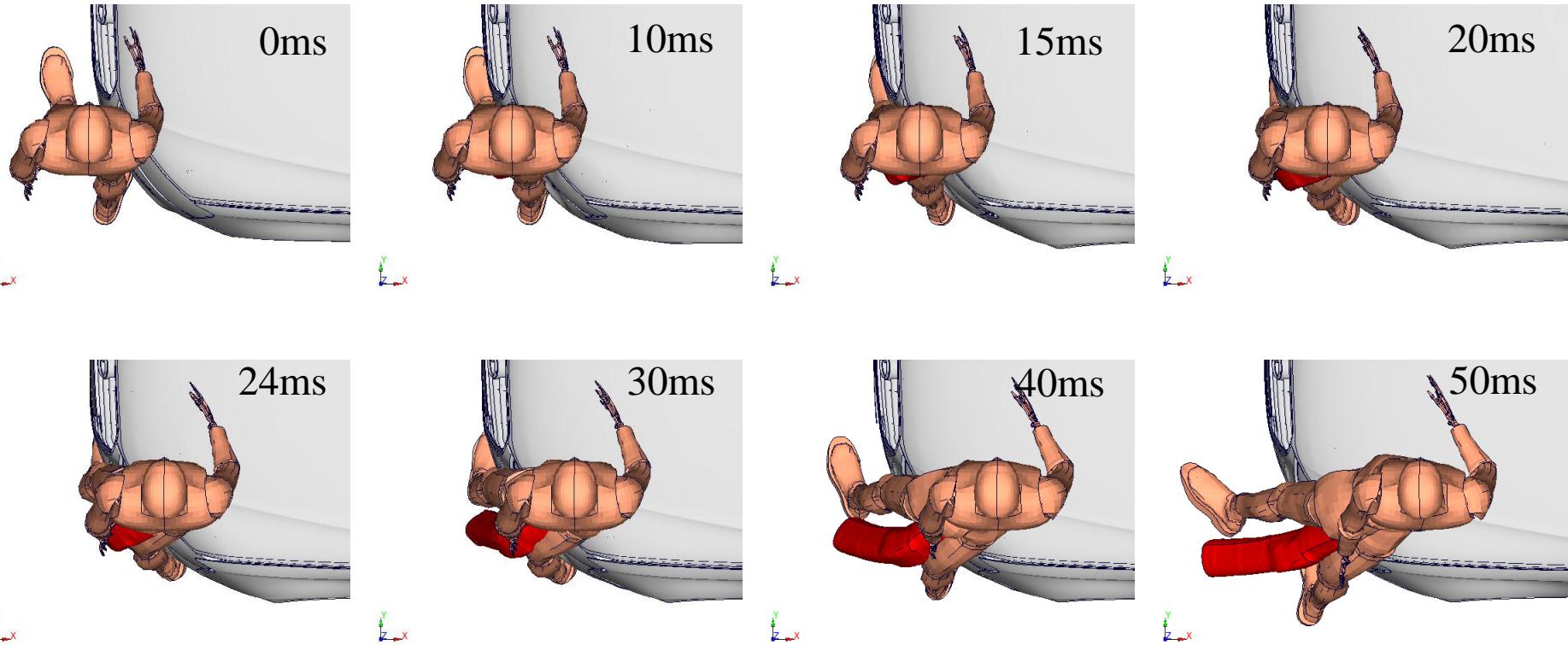
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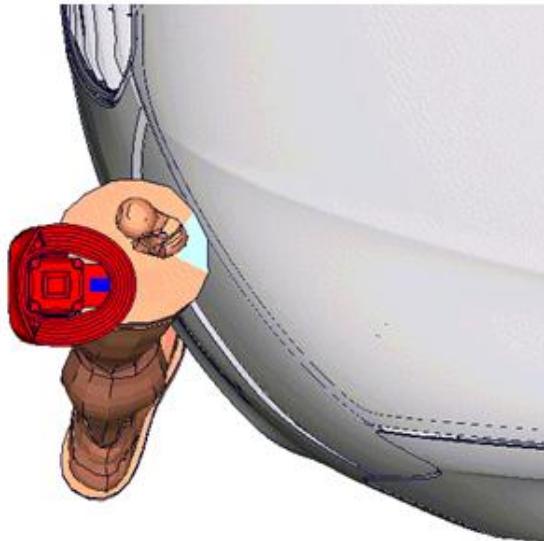
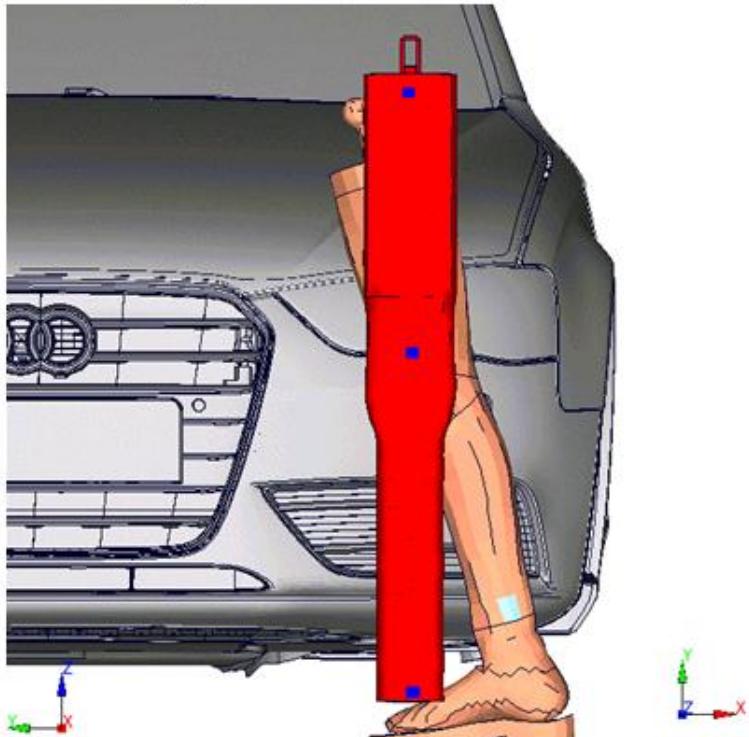
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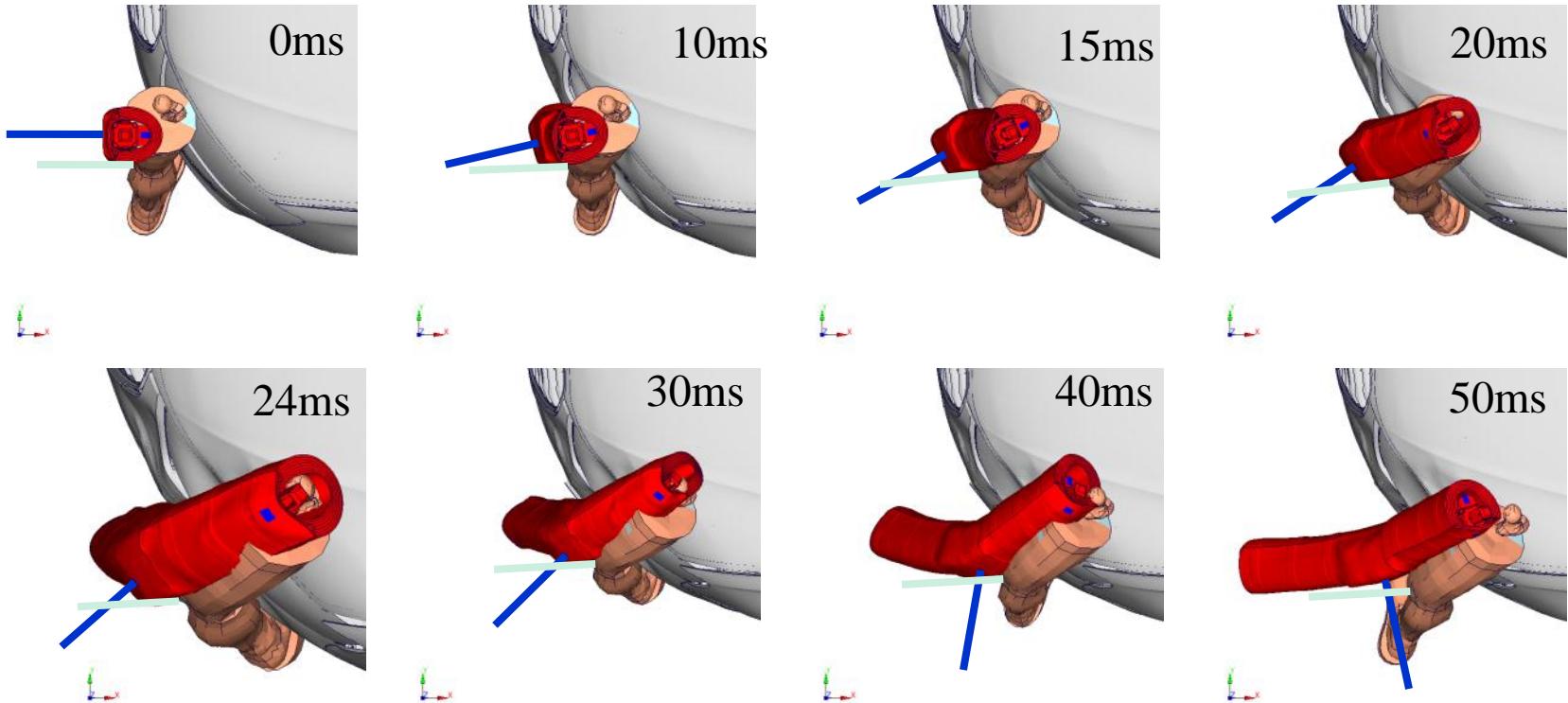
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Conclusions

- **Strong lateral rotation of FlexPLI even at 25° as from 11 ms**
- **Increase of MCL elongation due to lateral und relative rotational effects of the impactor**
- **Lateral rotation of the impactor relative to the car front enables more bending (artificial)**
- **Lateral rotation of the impactor relative to the car front drives to additional artificial (non physical) bending**
- **Comparison with THUMS show that the impactor can not reproduce the behaviour of the human leg in the outer area**