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FlexPLI behaviour in outer area

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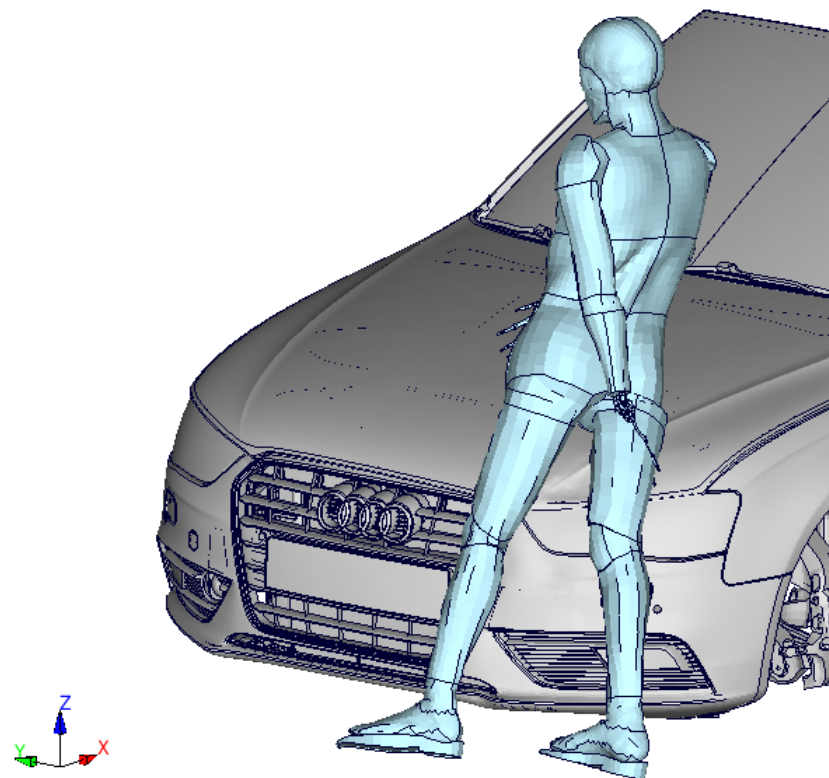
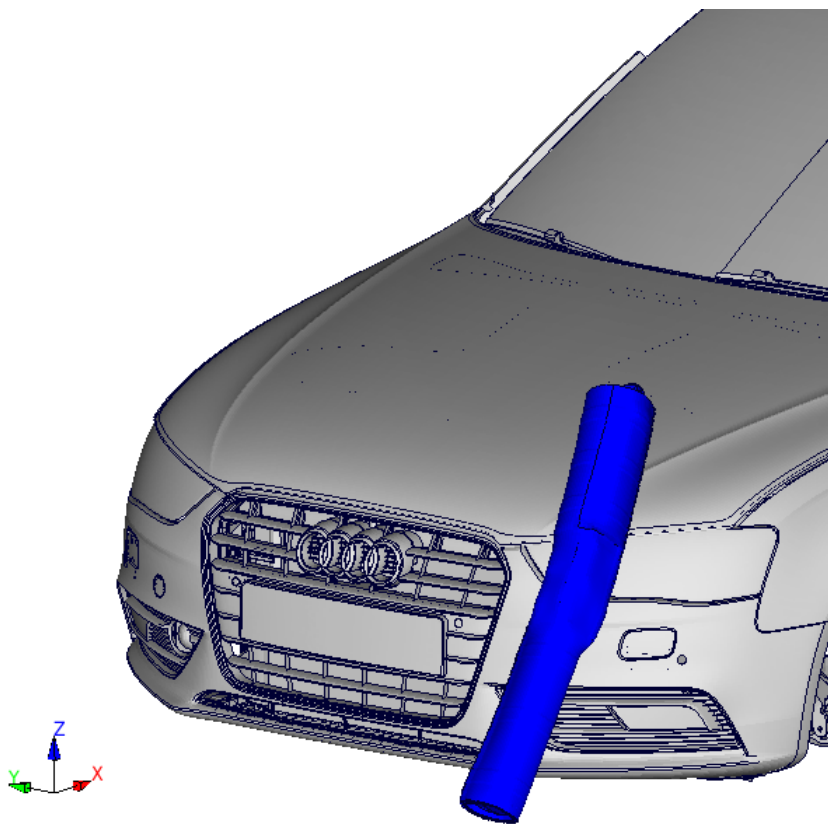
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Aim of the study

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

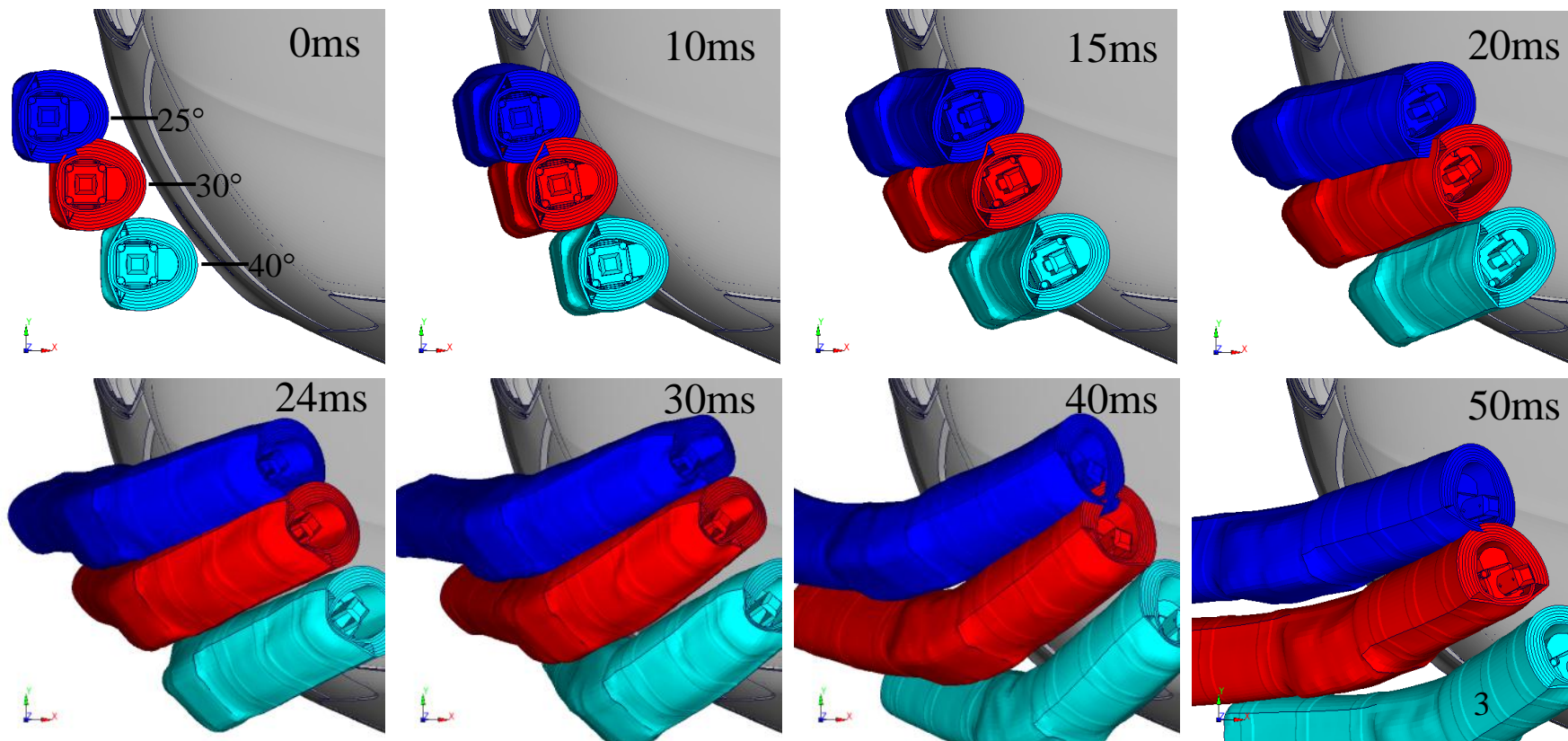




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FlexPLI behaviour in area $\geq 30^\circ$

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Y500L (25°-tangent), Y600L (30°-tangent), Y700L (40°-tangent)
- **Strong lateral rotation of FlexPLI even at 25° as from 11 ms**

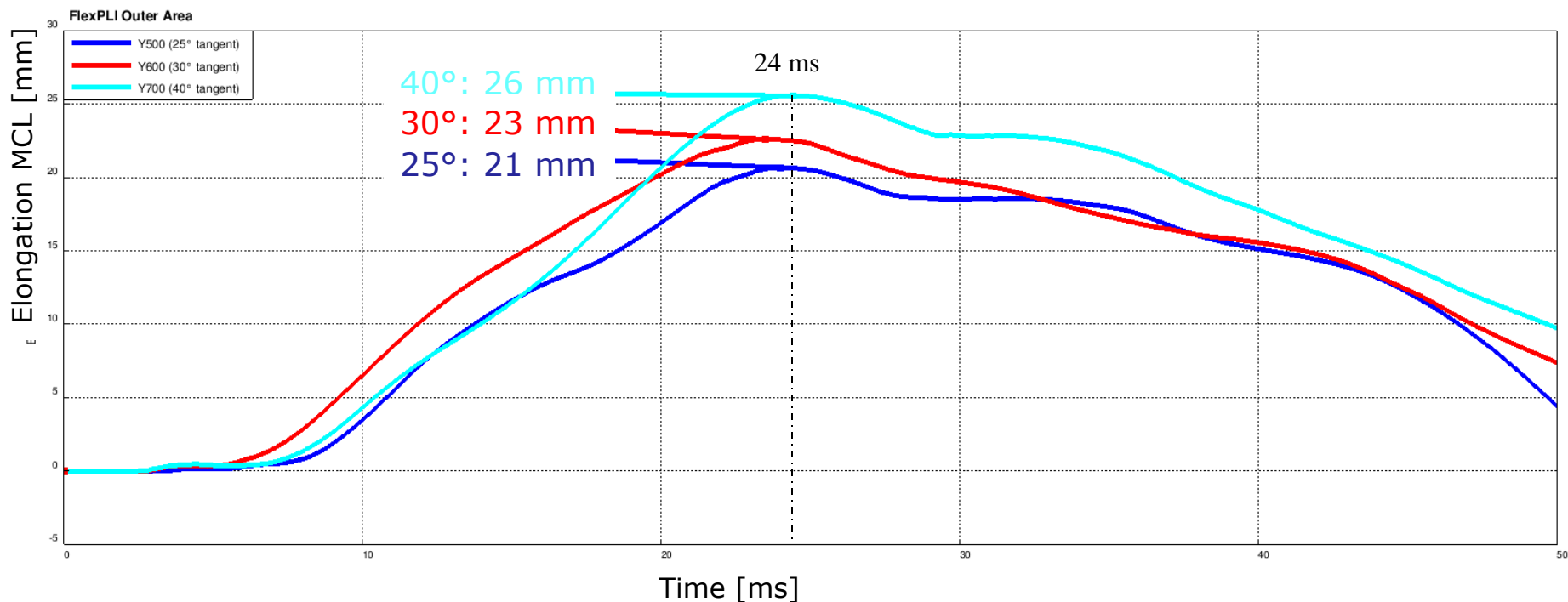




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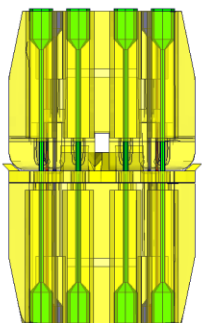


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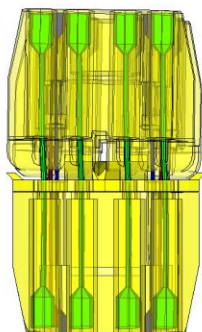
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- **Detail FlexPLI: knee movement at Y=500L (25°)**
- **Tibia fixed: view of the relative movement of the femur**

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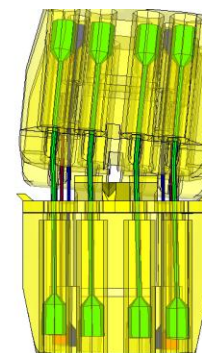
10ms



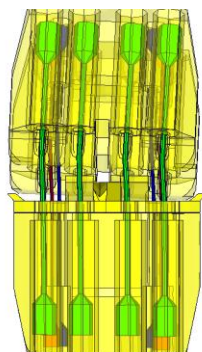
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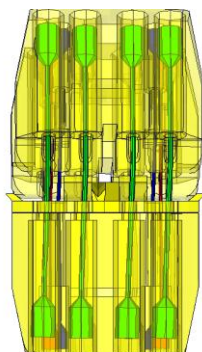
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24ms



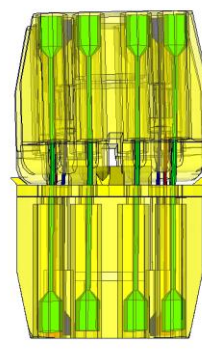
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50ms

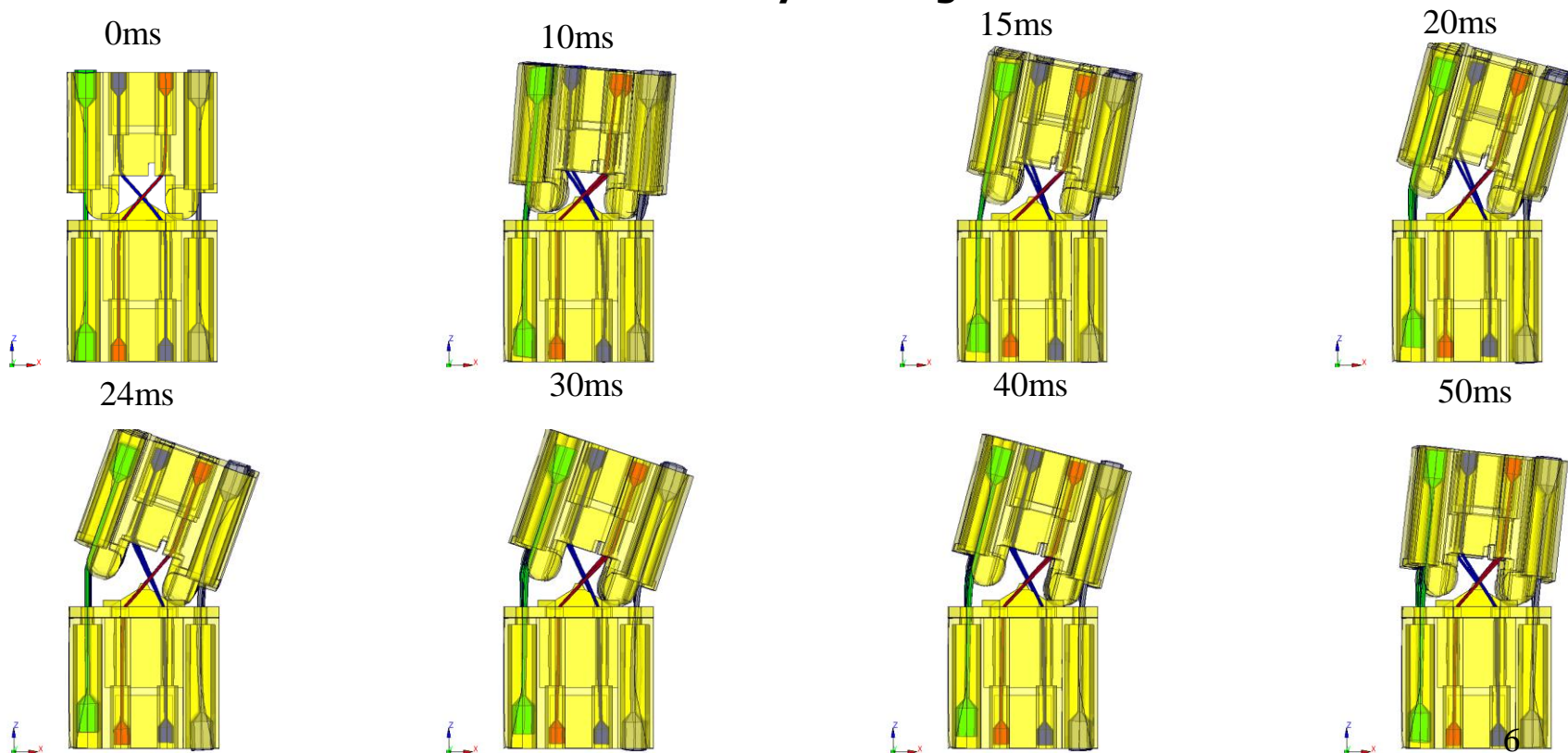




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- **Detail FlexPLI: knee movement at Y=500L (25°)**
 - **Tibia fixed: side view of the relative movement of the femur**
- femur turns relative to tibia additionally to the global lateral rotation

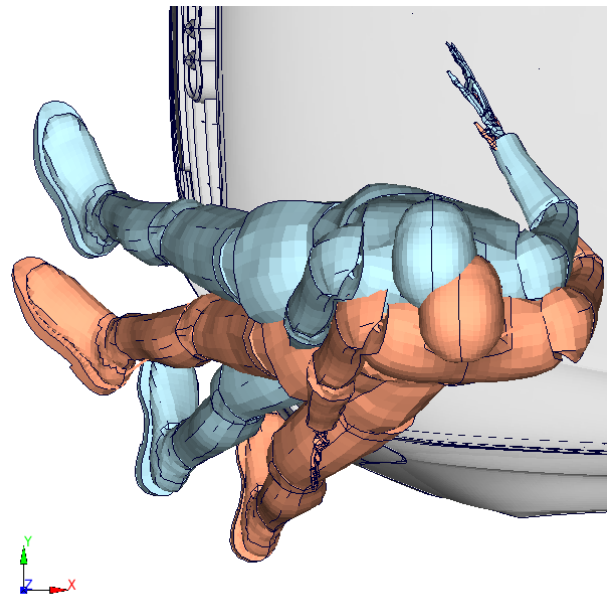
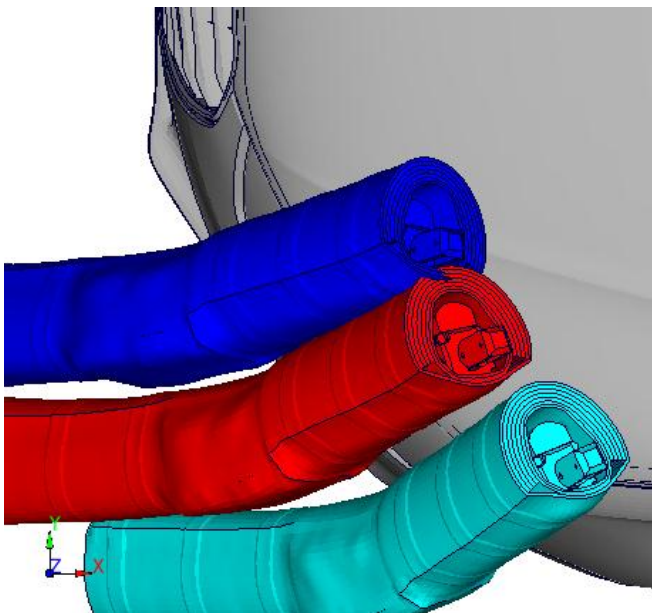




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Comparison of THUMS / FlexPLI

- **Overlay of both legs**
- **Comparison of rotation**

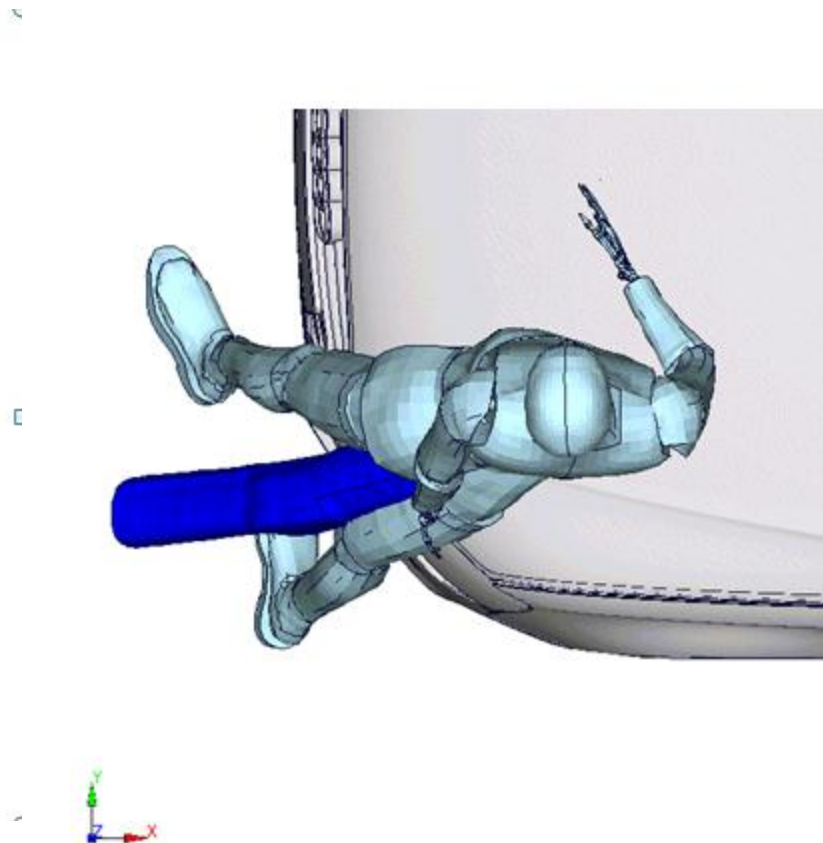
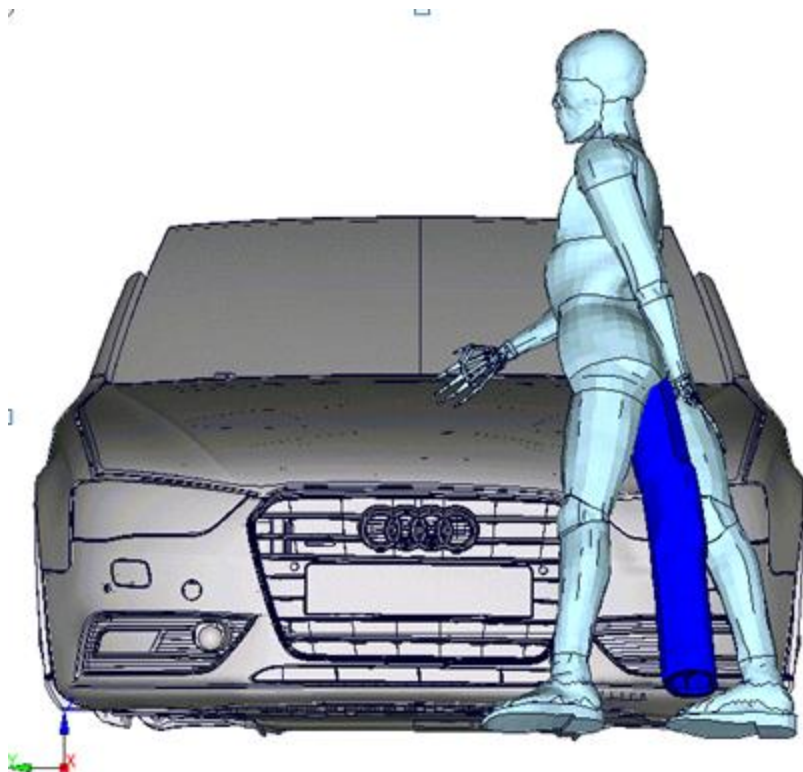




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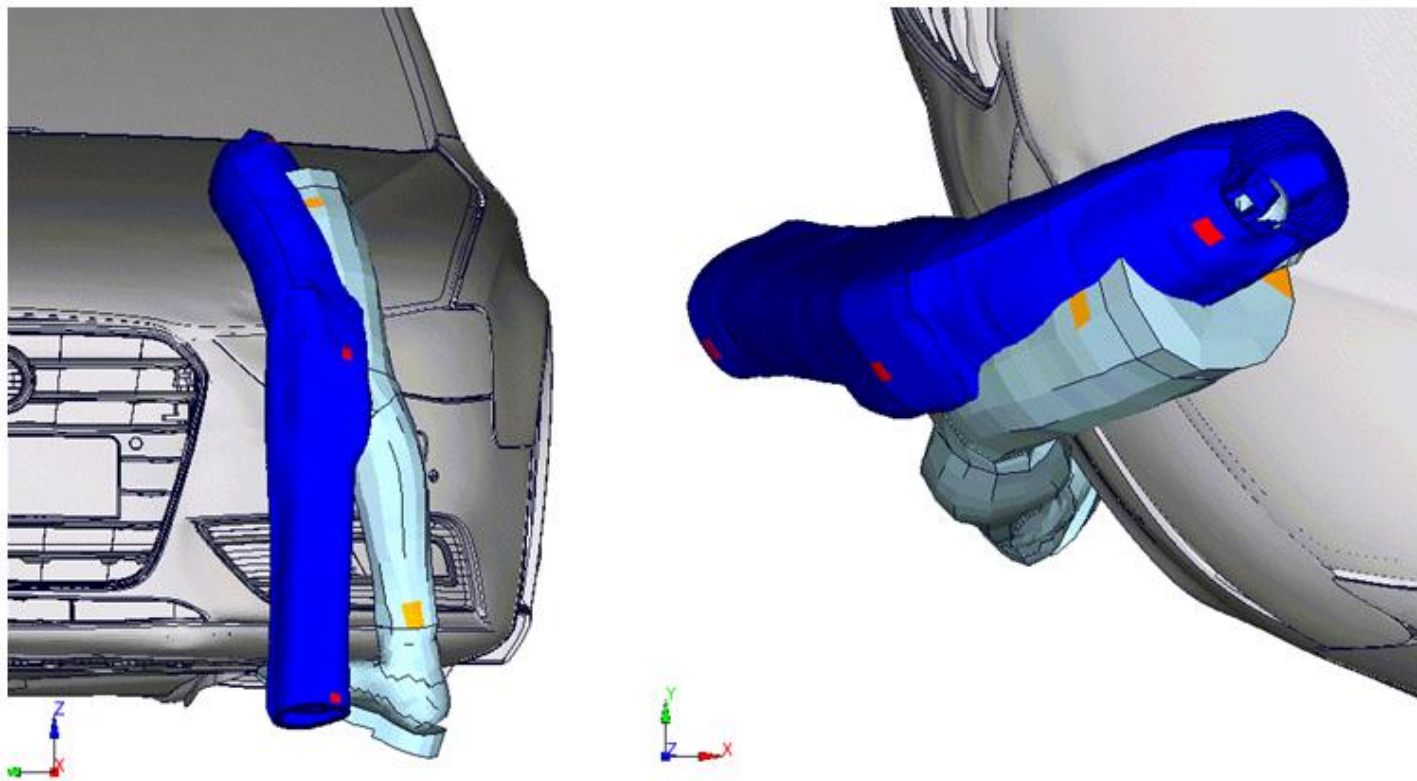




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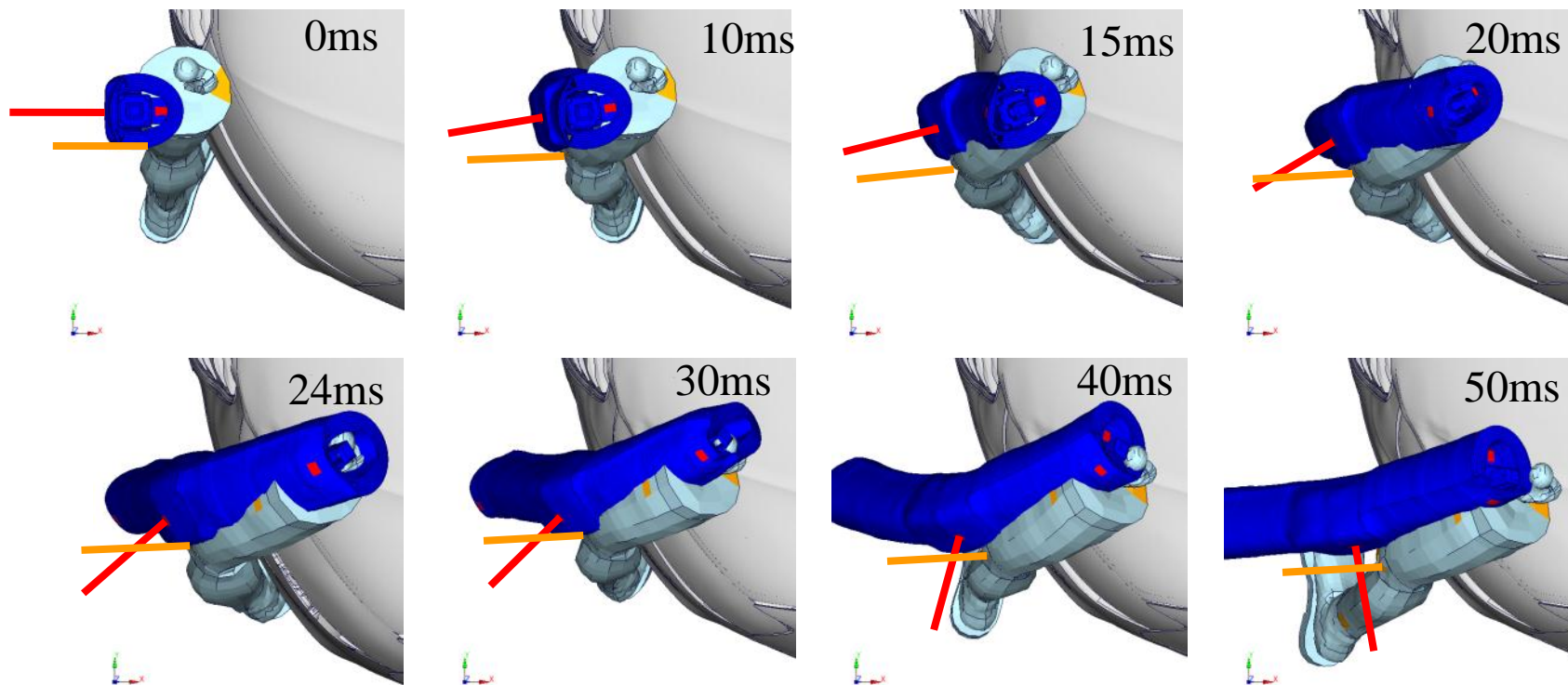




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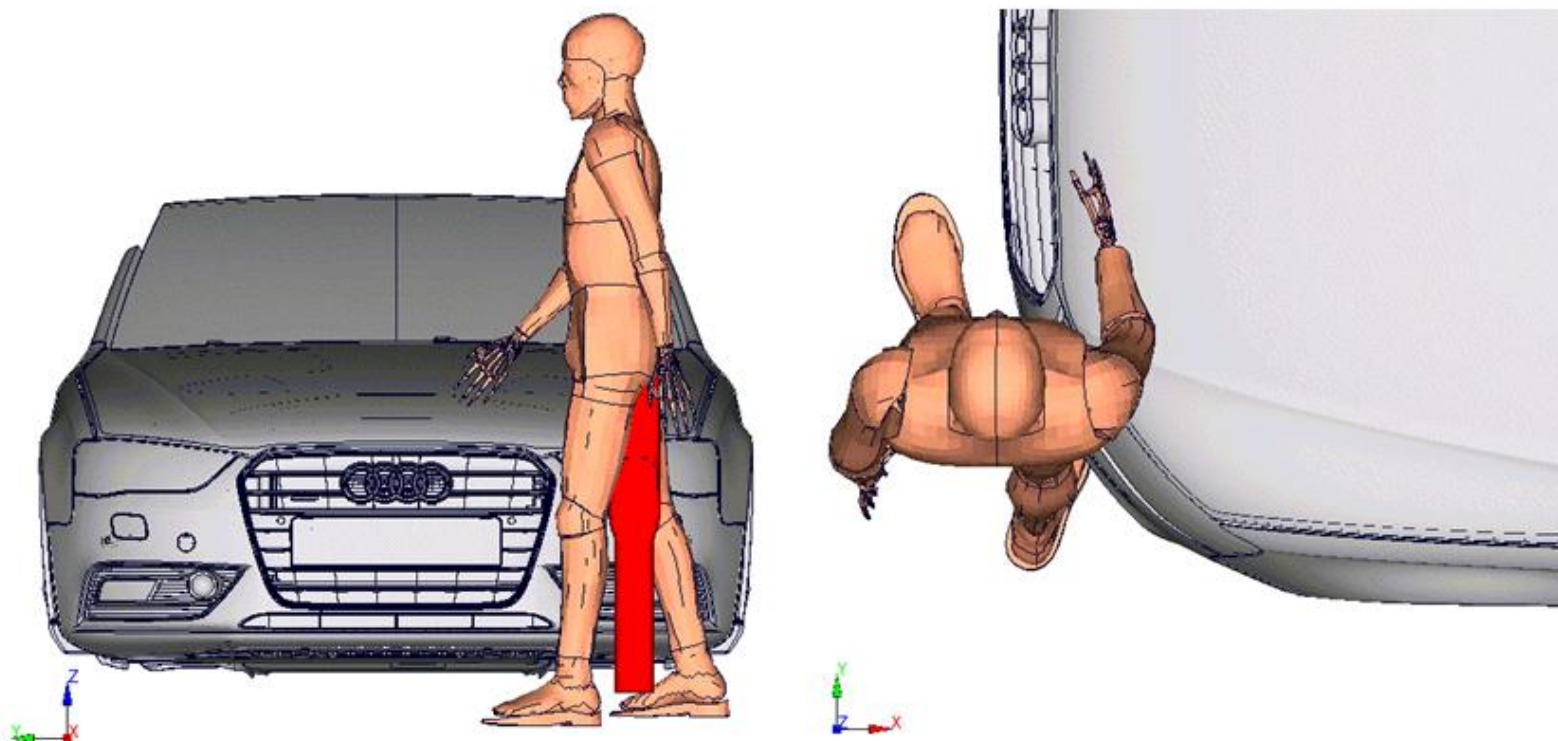




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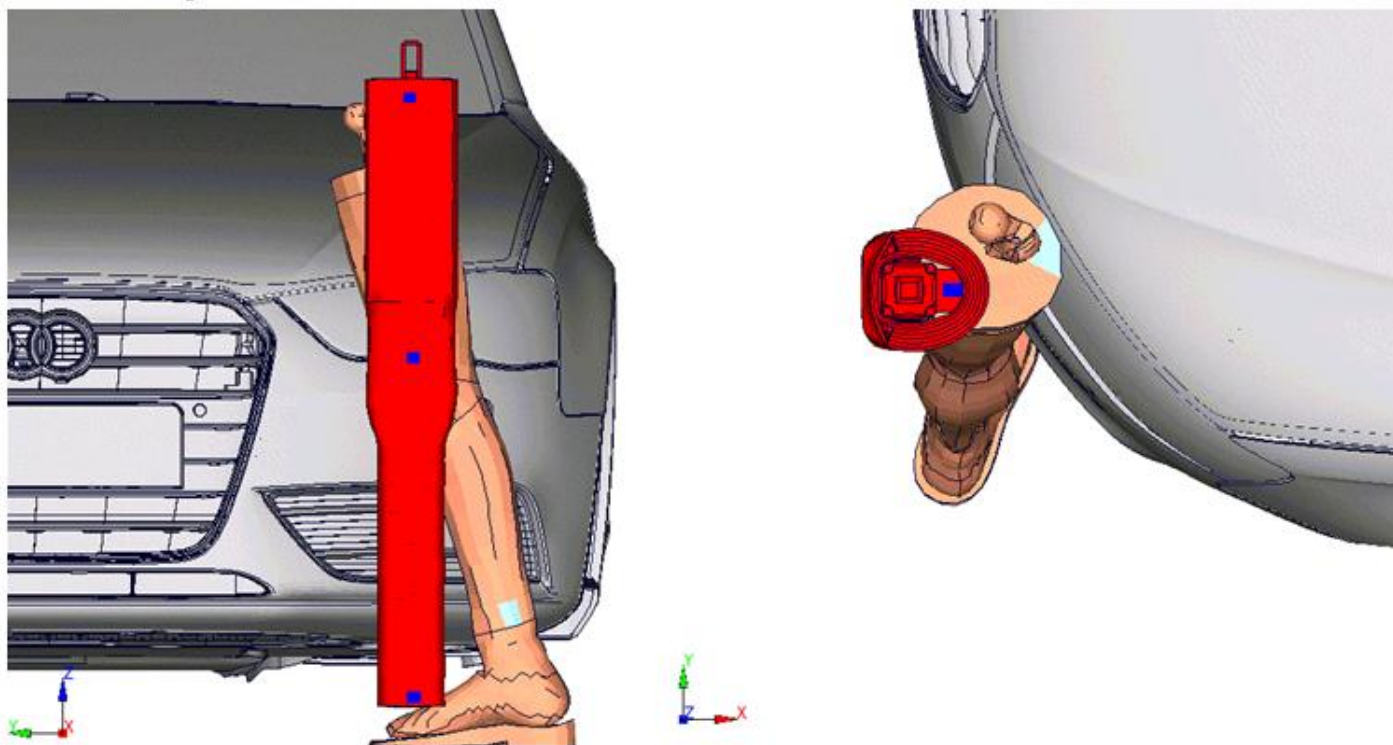




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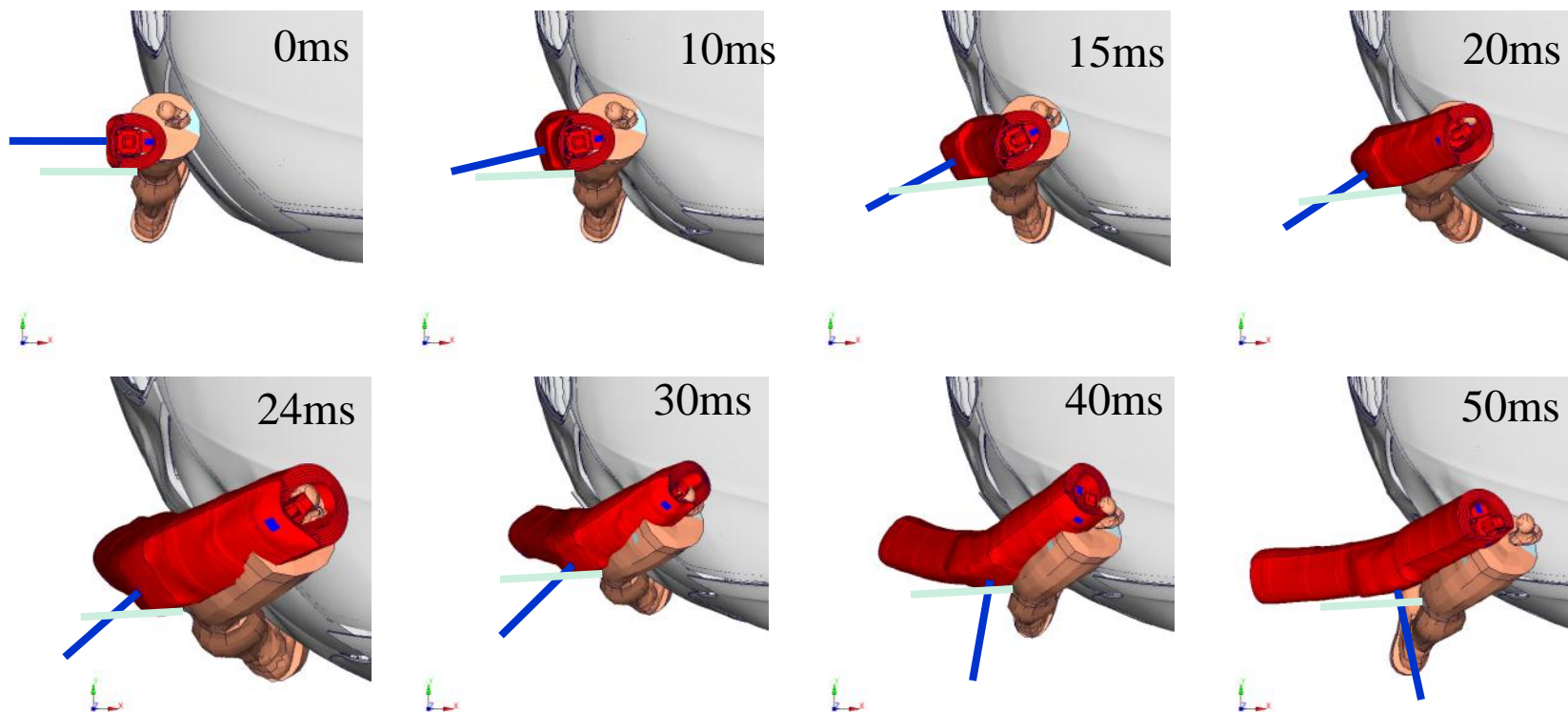




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Conclusions

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