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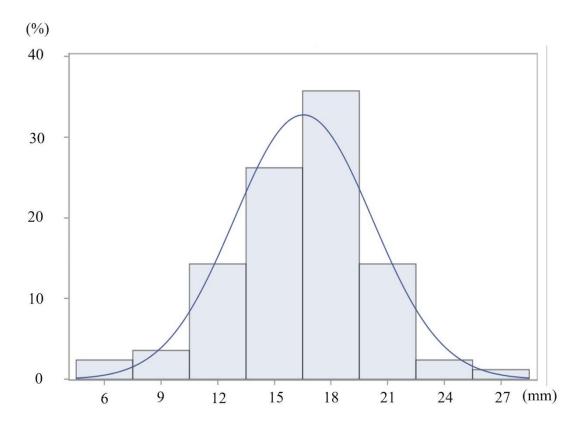


Figure 1. Normal distribution of the minimum distances to the femoral nerve at 90°. Measurements showed normal distribution in Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (mean 16.5mm, median 17mm, variance 13.4, and standard deviation 3.7).

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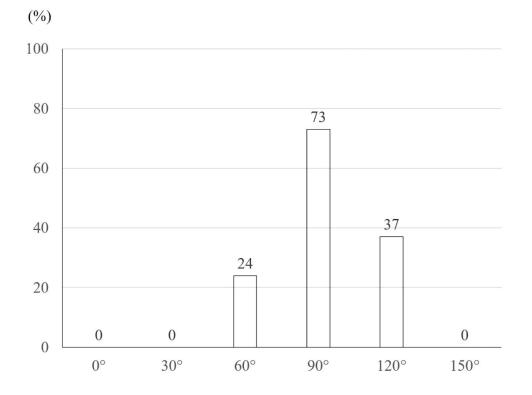


Figure 2. Distribution of the angle at the minimum distances to the femoral nerve The minimum distance shows that 73% (61 of 84 joints) were 90°, 37% (31 of 84 joints) were 120°, and 24% (20 of 84 joints) were 60°. Duplication is allowed such case as same minimum distances in two or more points. On the other hand, the minimum distance is not observed at the angle 0°, 30°, or 150°. Therefore, it is indicated that the femoral nerve is close to the anterior acetabular rim between 60° and 120° and is closest at 90°.

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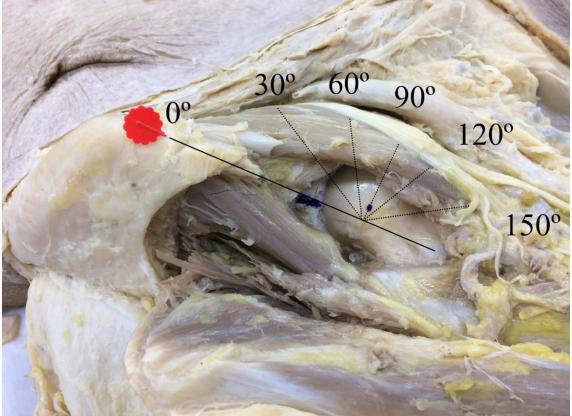


Figure 3. Schema of the minimum distances to the femoral nerve at each angle in the right hip Reference line (0°) through the anterior superior iliac spine with red pin shows in solid line. Each measurement line in dotted lines indicates that the anatomical course of the femoral nerve is closest to the rim at 90° and goes away from the center of the acetabulum.

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Table I Mixed effects model for repeated measure of the minimum distances to the femoral nerve at each angle

| Angle (degrees) | Angle (degrees) | P value |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------|
| 0 | 30 | <.001 |
| 0 | 60 | <.001 |
| 0 | 90 | <.001 |
| 0 | 120 | <.001 |
| 0 | 150 | <.0001 |
| 30 | 60 | <.001 |
| 30 | 90 | <.001 |
| 30 | 120 | <.001 |
| 30 | 150 | 0.153 |
| 60 | 90 | 0.003 |
| 60 | 120 | 0.931 |
| 60 | 150 | <.001 |
| 90 | 120 | 0.060 |
| 90 | 150 | <.001 |
| 120 | 150 | <.001 |

Difference of the minimum mean-square value. Tukey-Kramer test as a post hoc test.

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| | Thickness of the capsule | Thickness of the iliopsoas muscle | Width of the iliopsoas muscle | Femoral head diameter | Inguinal ligament length | Femoral length | Age |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Sex | 0.302 | 0.247 | 0.463 | 0.739 | 0.175 | 0.598 | -0.154 |
| | 0.005 | 0.024 | <.001 | <.001 | 0.111 | <.001 | 0.151 |
| Age | -0.208 | -0.074 | -0.042 | -0.366 | -0.111 | -0.239 | |
| | 0.057 | 0.506 | 0.704 | <.001 | 0.314 | 0.025 | |
| Femoral | 0.290 | 0.202 | 0.160 | 0.663 | 0.218 | | |
| length | 0.007 | 0.065 | 0.146 | <.001 | 0.047 | | |
| Inguinal ligament length | 0.133 0.228 | 0.100 0.365 | 0.187 0.089 | 0.162 0.142 | | | |
| Femoral head diameter | 0.417 <.001 | 0.288 0.008 | 0.354 0.001 | | | | |
| Width of | | | | | | | |
| the | 0.309 | 0.423 | | | | | |
| iliopsoas muscle | 0.004 | 0.001 | | | | | |
| Thickness | | | | | | | |
| of the | 0.180 | | | | | | |
| iliopsoas muscle | 0.101 | | | | | | |

| Table II | Correlation | matrix of | each | variables |
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Pearson correlation coefficient (above) and p value (below)