

To compare of arch width, alveolar width and buccolingual inclination of teeth between Class II division 1 and Class II division 2 malocclusion.

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Abstract

Aim: To compare of arch width, alveolar width and buccolingual inclination of teeth between Class II division 1 and Class II division 2 malocclusion of 1st molar, 1st premolar, 2nd premolar.

Materials and Methods: Maxillary and mandibular pretreatment dental casts of 25 patients with Class II div 1 malocclusion and 25 patients with Class II div 2 malocclusion of average age 15-20 yrs. A digital caliper

used to measure the arch width and alveolar width of maxillary and mandibular 1st molar, 1st premolar, 2nd premolar. Modified protractor as per the requirements of the study used to measure buccolingual inclination of maxillary and mandibular 1st molar, 1st premolar, 2nd premolar.

Result: The maxillary posterior teeth are significantly more lingual tilted significantly in Class II division 2 malocclusion compared with in Class II div 1

malocclusion. The first mandibular premolars are less lingually tilted in Class II division 1 malocclusion than in Class II div 2 malocclusion, whereas there is difference in buccolingual inclination of mandibular second premolars and first molars between the Class II div 1 and Class II div

The arch width of the maxillary first molars and second premolars in the Class II division 1 malocclusion group was slight smaller than in the Class II division 2 occlusion group, but the difference was not statistically significant.

The alveolar width of posterior teeth is not different between Class II division 1 malocclusion and Class II div 2 malocclusions.

Conclusion: Buccolingual inclination rather than arch width, alveolar width plays an important role in transverse discrepancy of Class II malocclusion.

Keywords: Class II div 1 and Class II div 2 malocclusion, buccolingual inclination, arch width, alveolar width.

Introduction

Angle defined Class II malocclusion as characterized by a distal relation of the lower to the upper permanent first molar to the extent of more than one-half the width of one cusp and the maxillary incisors being protrusive. The Class II malocclusion is a common malocclusion with a prevalence ranging between 5% and 29%. Two thirds of the patients with Class II division 1 malocclusion were reported to have an associated significant skeletal discrepancy. The dentoskeletal morphology of subjects exhibiting Class II malocclusion has been reported in several studies. Some reports have indicated that the maxilla in Class II division 1 patients was more protrusive and the mandible was normal in size and position. Other studies found that the maxilla was in a normal position in relation to the cranial base

while the mandible was retrusive. Others found that Class II skeletal pattern is due to both maxillary protrusion and mandibular retrusion. It seems that ethnic backgrounds of the sample used in these studies have played a role in determining the craniofacial characteristics of the Class II pattern.

Class II division 1 malocclusion is one of the most common problems in orthodontic clinical practice. In the past, orthodontists focused mostly on the sagittal relationship of Class II malocclusion. Today, more and more studies have been focused on the transverse discrepancy in Class II division 1 malocclusion, and the results have been controversial.

Andrew suggested the use of an anatomic reference, such as a parameter with the object of centralizing the roots of teeth in the basal bone, which they denominated via the WALA (Will Andrew & Larry Andrew) Ridge. The WALA ridge is a strip of soft tissue immediately above mucogingival junction of the mandible, at the level of the line that passes through the centres of the rotation of the teeth or close to it and is exclusive to the mandible. Therefore, the centre line of rotation (hypothetical line that passes through the horizontal centre of rotation of each tooth) would be the line that best conserves the original and ideal form of the dental arch. Researchers have identified that there was significant relationship between the dental arch form and the WALA curve both in Class I occlusion and Class II division 1 malocclusion. In these studies, the WALA ridge was also considered as the mark of mandibular alveolar basal bone. Thus the ideal form of the maxillary and mandibular dental arches would be dictated by the form of the basal bone of the mandible. When the form of mandibular dental arch is correct, the wire that unites the bracket slot of "straight wire" bracket should have same shape as that of the WALA ridge. The mandibular

alveolar process is selected because its shape would be minimally effected by faciolingual tipping of the teeth, this would happen because of the shape of underlying basal bone. By taking it as a base of study i.e relation between teeth and WALA ridge, standard distances were established between FA points and the WALA ridge which would influence the treatment plan.

Thus, studies on the transverse discrepancy of Class II division malocclusion, with selected samples according to dental is required. The aim of this research is to study whether there is transverse discrepancy in Class II division 1 malocclusion and Class II division 2 malocclusion and the role arch width, alveolar width, and buccolingual inclination play in such a discrepancy.

Material and Methods

Maxillary and mandibular pretreatment dental casts of 25 patients with Class II div 1 malocclusion and 25 patients with Class II div 2 attending at the OPD of Department of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics at the K.D. Dental college and Hospital. Pre-treatment cast of 25 samples with Class II div 1 and 25 samples of Class II div 2 malocclusion of average age 15-20 yrs.

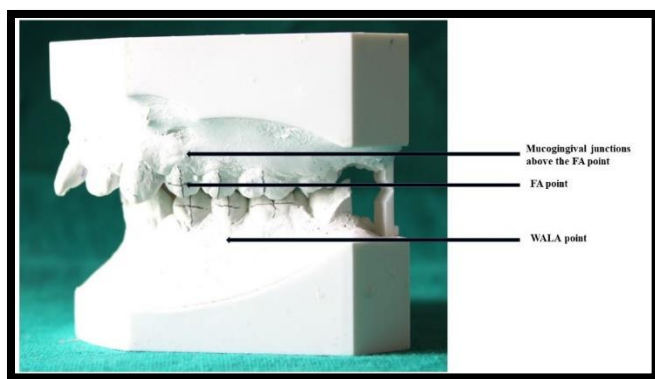


Fig.1 : Study model of class II div1

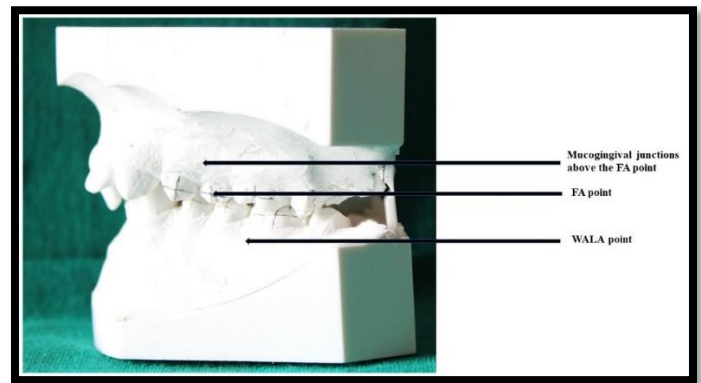


Fig. 2: Study Model of Class II Div 2

The Inclusion Criteria For Class II Div 1:

- (1) The mesiobuccal cusps of maxillary first molars were mesial to the mesiobuccal groove of the corresponding mandibular first molars bilaterally.
- (2) Full complement of permanent dentition with fully erupted first premolars, second premolars, and first molars.
- (3) Increased overjet
- (4) Class II skeletal relationship
- (5) Good periodontal condition

The Inclusion Criteria For Class II Div 2:

- (1) The mesiobuccal cusps of maxillary first molars were mesial to the mesiobuccal groove of the corresponding mandibular first molars bilaterally.
- (2) Full complement of permanent dentition with fully erupted first premolars, second premolars, and first molars.
- (3) Class II skeletal relationship
- (4) Retroinclination of maxillary central incisor and overlap of lateral incisor.
- (5) Deep overbite minimal overjet
- (5) Good periodontal condition

The Exclusion Criteria For Class II Malocclusion (50 Sample)

- (1) Patients with history of orthodontic, prosthodontic, or orthognathic treatment.

(2) Crowding > 2mm, crossbite, rotation of tooth/teeth in the arch.

(3) Occlusion with missing teeth except 3rd molar.

(4) Any abrasion or defect on the buccal surface of the premolars and first molars under the naked eye

Material Used

1. Well fabricated maxillary and mandibular casts of each individual.
2. Scale
3. Protractor for measuring angle
4. Pencil and Rubber
5. A digital caliper with minimal accuracy of 0.02 mm used to measure the arch width and alveolar width.
6. Modified protractor as per the requirements of the study used to measure buccolingual inclination.



Fig. 3: scale, pencil, eraser



Fig.4: Digital caliper



Fig.5: Modified protractor

Following Measurement Were Made

The facial axis of clinical crown (FACC) and its midpoint, the facial-axis point (FA point) point, were marked on the buccal surface as described by Andrews and were used to measure the buccolingual inclination.

These measurements were taken from the trimmed casts:

- buccolingual inclination of bilateral maxillary and mandibular first molars
- buccolingual inclination of bilateral maxillary and mandibular first and second premolars.
- intermolar width between the FA point of bilateral maxillary and mandibular first molars.
- first premolar width between the FA point of bilateral maxillary and mandibular first premolars.
- second premolar width between the FA point of bilateral maxillary and mandibular second premolars.
- maxillary alveolar width between the mucogingival junctions above the FA point of bilateral first maxillary molars.
- maxillary alveolar width between the mucogingival junctions above the FA point of bilateral first and second maxillary premolars.
- mandibular alveolar width between the WALA point below the FA point of bilateral first mandibular molars.

- mandibular alveolar width between the WALA point below the FA point of bilateral first and second premolars.



Fig. 6: Measurement of Buccolingual Inclination



Fig. 7: Measurement of Arch Width



Fig. 8: Measurement of Alveolar arch width

Result

Twenty-five casts were randomly selected to be measured. Paired t-test was applied to determine the systematic error. The comparison showed that the differences between the first and second measurements for arch and alveolar width and buccolingual inclination were insignificant.

Table 1(a): Intergroup Comparison of Alveolar Width Between Class II Div I And Class II Div II Samples In Different Maxillary Teeth

Tooth	Inter Group	Mean	SD	Std Error	Mean Diff	T value	P value
Ist premolar	Div I	45.58	3.88	0.777	4.68000	4.328	0.001 (Sig)
	Div II	50.26	3.75	0.751			
IInd Premolar	Div I	52.41	2.46	0.493	2.46400	2.494	0.016 (Sig)
	Div II	54.87	4.28	0.856			
Ist Molar	Div I	57.78	3.42	0.684	2.19200	1.756	0.045 (Sig)
	Div II	59.96	5.22	1.043			

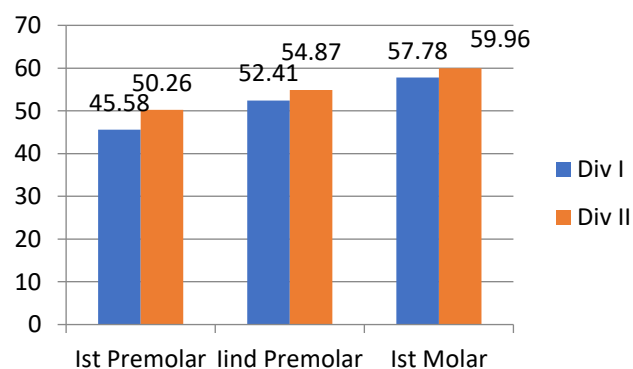


Table 1(b): Intergroup Comparison of Alveolar Width Between Class II Div I And Class II Div II Samples In Different Mandibular Teeth

Tooth	Inter Group	Mean	SD	Std Error	Mean Diff	T value	P value
Ist premolar	Div I	42.57	4.60	.921	-	-	0.265
	Div II	43.92	3.77	.755	1.34400	1.128	(Non-Sig)
IInd Premolar	Div I	49.89	4.651	.930	1.72000	1.373	0.176
	Div II	48.17	4.194	.838			(non-Sig)
Ist Molar	Div I	58.50	3.787	.757	1.08000	1.064	0.292
	Div II	57.42	3.375	.675			(non-Sig)

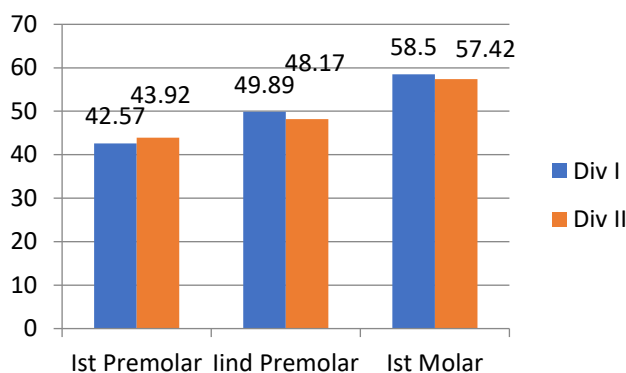


Table 2(a): Intergroup Comparison of Bucco Lingual Inclination Between Class II Div I And Class II Div II Samples in Different Maxillary Teeth

Tooth	Inter Group	Mean	SD	Std Error	Mean Diff	T value	P value
Ist premolar	Div I	65.60	6.99	1.398	-	-	0.003
	Div II	70.44	3.26	.653	4.84000	3.135	(Sig)
IInd Premolar	Div I	67.88	6.233	1.246	-	-	0.010
	Div II	71.72	3.506	.701	3.84000	2.685	(Sig)
Ist Molar	Div I	66.88	6.869	1.373	-	-	0.001
	Div II	74.12	5.387	1.077	7.24000	4.146	(Sig)

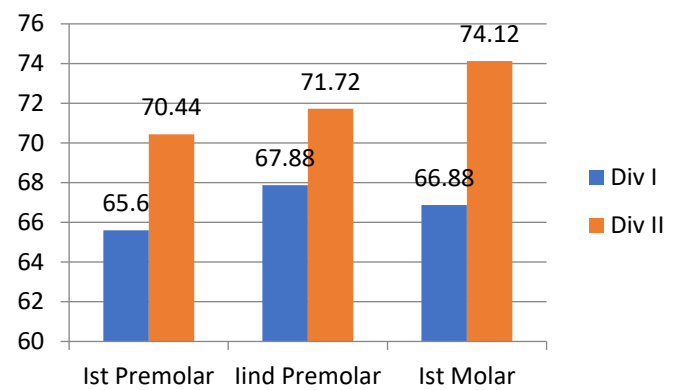


Table 2(b): Intergroup Comparison of Bucco Lingual Inclination Between Class II Div I And Class II Div II Samples In Different Mandibular Teeth

Tooth	Inter Group	Mean	SD	Std Error	Mean Diff	T value	P value
Ist premolar	Div I	68.96	5.04	1.009	1.08000	.874	0.386
	Div II	67.88	3.56	.712			(non-Sig)
IInd Premolar	Div I	68.60	4.102	.820	.76000	.621	0.538
	Div II	67.84	4.543	.908			(non-Sig)
Ist Molar	Div I	66.28	7.797	1.559	-	-	0.115
	Div II	69.48	6.198	1.239	3.20000	1.606	(non-Sig)

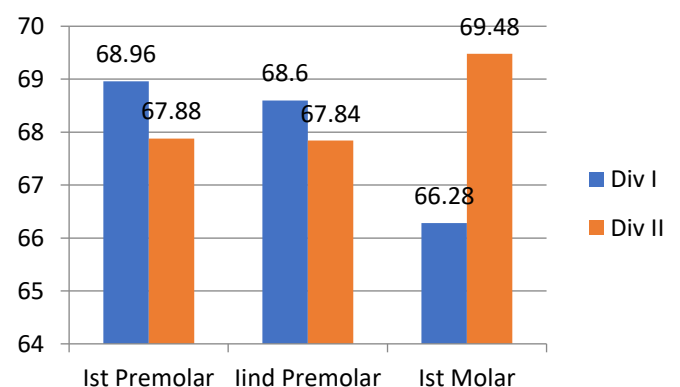
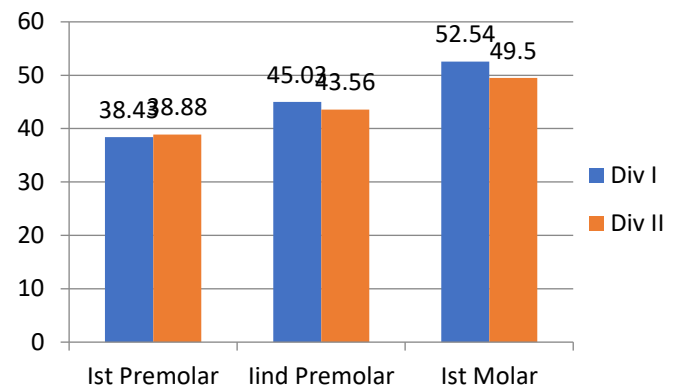


Table 3(a): Intergroup Comparison of Arch Width Between Class II Div I And Class II Div II Samples In Different Maxillary Teeth

Tooth	Inter Group	Mean	SD	Std Error	Mean Diff	T value	P value
Ist premolar	Div I	43.89	2.13	.426	.58000	.988	0.328 (non-Sig)
	Div II	43.31	2.02	.403			
IInd Premolar	Div I	48.21	3.048	.609	-	-.606	0.548 (non-Sig)
	Div II	48.88	4.596	.919	.66800		
Ist Molar	Div I	54.46	1.777	.355	.69200	1.112	0.272 (non-Sig)
	Div II	53.77	2.555	.511			



Discussion

A thorough knowledge of the skeletal and dental components that contribute to a malocclusion is essential as these elements may influence the treatment approach. Angle defined Class II malocclusion as characterized by a distal relation of the lower to the upper permanent first molar to the extent of more than one-half the width of one cusp and the maxillary incisors being protrusive¹. The Class II malocclusion is a common malocclusion with a prevalence ranging between 5% and 29% . Two thirds of the patients with Class II division 1 malocclusion were reported to have an associated significant skeletal discrepancy³. The dentoskeletal morphology of subjects exhibiting Class II malocclusion has been reported in several studies.

A literature review showed that only Frohlich's study¹⁴ supported our results. Even in studies that agreed that Class II division 1 malocclusion has a narrower maxillary arch, there are some contradictions. The research of Uysal et al demonstrated a narrower interpremolar width but wider maxillary intermolar width in a Class II division 1 patient, while the Sayin and Turkkanhraman result was just the opposite. They found the Class II division 1 group with narrower maxillary intermolar width and interpremolar width, but no narrower interpremolar width. It seems that the result of arch width difference may be influenced easily by both sample size and sample selection. According to our

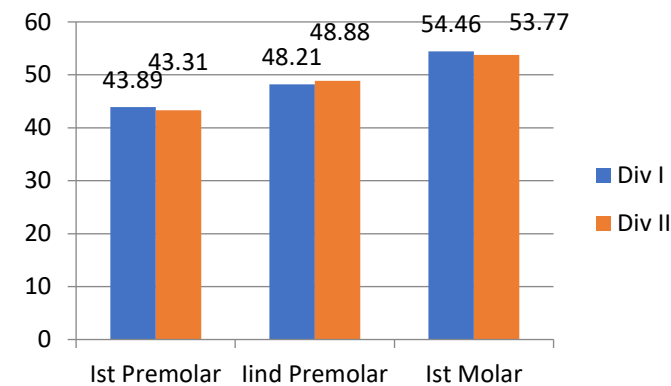


Table 3(b): Inter Group Comparison of Arch Width Between Class II Div I And Class II Div II Samples In Different Mandibular Teeth

Tooth	Inter Group	Mean	SD	Std Error	Mean Diff	T value	P value
Ist premolar	Div I	38.43	2.49	.498	-.44800	-.551	0.584 (non-Sig)
	Div II	38.88	3.21	.642			
IInd Premolar	Div I	45.03	2.530	.506	1.47200	1.965	0.095 (non-Sig)
	Div II	43.56	2.761	.552			
Ist Molar	Div I	52.54	3.796	.759	3.04400	3.441	0.055 (non-Sig)
	Div II	49.50	2.269	.453			

results, lingually tilted maxillary posterior teeth may induce a narrow arch width. There was a tendency for Class II division 1 malocclusion to have a narrower maxillary arch in our result, but the difference was not statistically significant.

From the orthodontic point of view, the degree of the reduction tendency of the maxillary molar is perhaps expressed as a shorter distance between the bracket base and the slot on the mesial than the distal half of the molar, or the distal offset prescription of the SWA system. Because the reduction tendency was originally based on the cusp tip position, its application to the bracket prescription is not perfectly pertinent. The buccolingual dimensions of the tooth are known to be established far later during development than the cusp position, which mainly depends on the formation of enamel knots. Therefore, the Buccolingual outline is reported to be independent of the cusp position. In this respect, the measurements on the outermost points of the 4 cusps were inserted as raw data for cluster analysis in this study, since these points are where the bracket or tube base is bonded. However, the angle between the midsagittal line and the buccal cusp line is not so different from the angle between the midsagittal line and the buccal vertex line.

We concluded that, rather than arch width, the buccolingual inclination played a major role in transverse discrepancy in Class II malocclusion.

Conclusion

Our study was carried out to compare the arch width, alveolar width, and Buccolingual inclination of maxillary and mandibular posterior teeth between Class II division 1 malocclusion and Class II div 2 malocclusions. A total sample size of 25 subjects of Class II div1 malocclusion and 25 subjects with Class II division 2 malocclusion

Following conclusion is drawn from the study.

The maxillary posterior teeth are significantly more lingual tilted significantly in Class II division 2 malocclusion compared with in Class II div1 malocclusion.

The first mandibular premolars are less lingually tilted in Class II division 1 malocclusion than in Class II div 2 malocclusions, whereas there is difference in buccolingual inclination of mandibular second premolars and first molars between the Class II div 1 and Class II div 2.

The arch width of the maxillary first molars and second premolars in the Class II division1 malocclusion group was slight smaller than in the Class II division 2 occlusion group, but the difference was not statistically significant.

The alveolar width of posterior teeth is not different between Class II division 1 malocclusion and Class II div 2 malocclusions.

The buccolingual inclination plays a more important role in transverse discrepancy of Class II malocclusion .

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