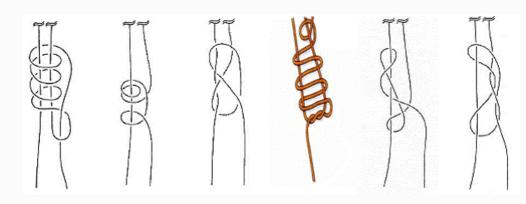
Arthroscopic knot tying

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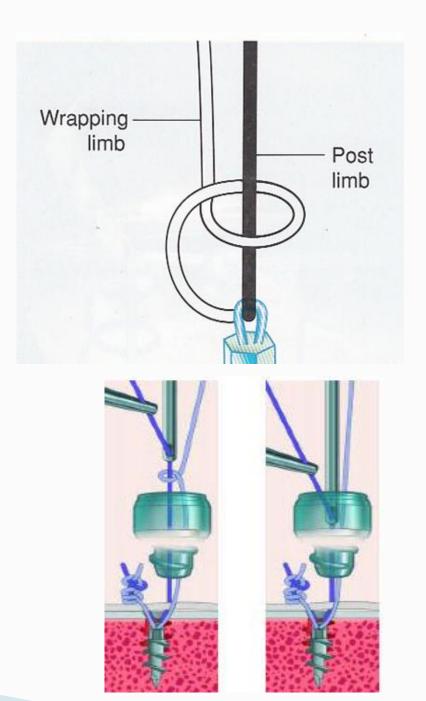
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Wrapping limb

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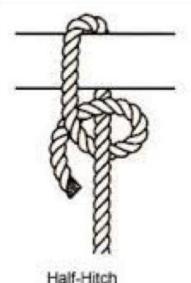
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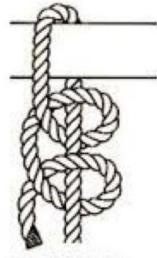
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Two Half-Hitches

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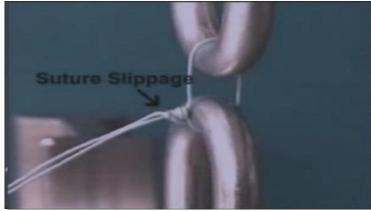


A. Under-over B. Over- under

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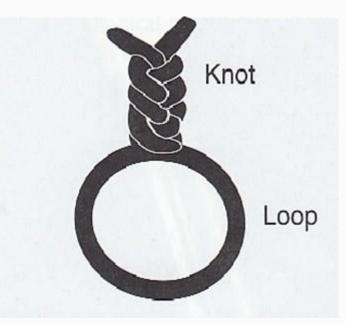
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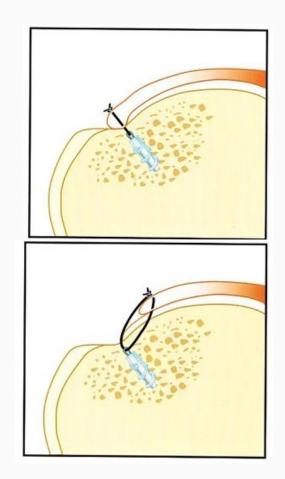
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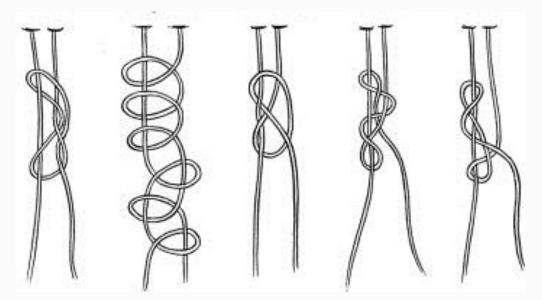
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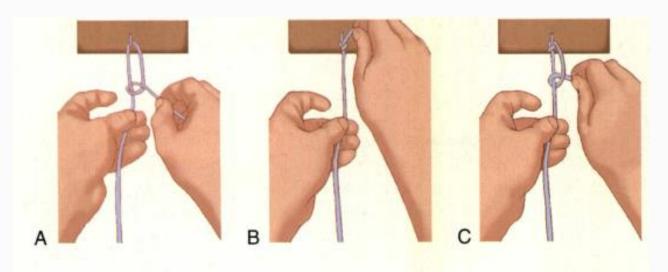
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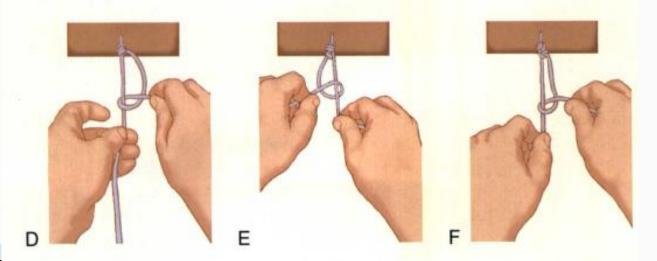


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 - sliding–locking
 - sliding-non locking



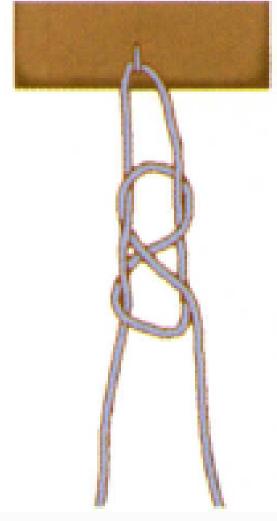
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Revo knot



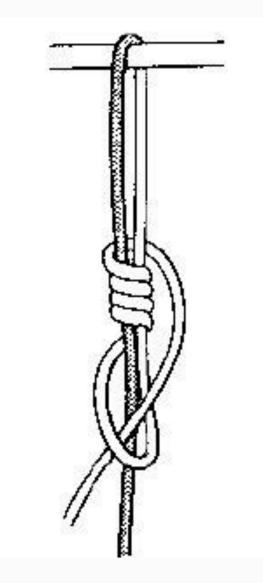


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 - Easy knot





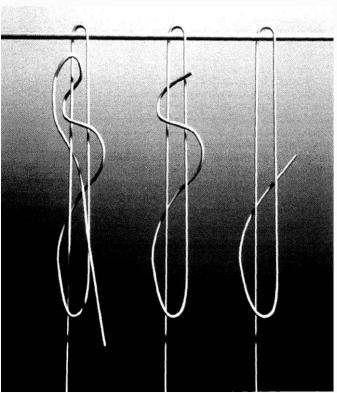
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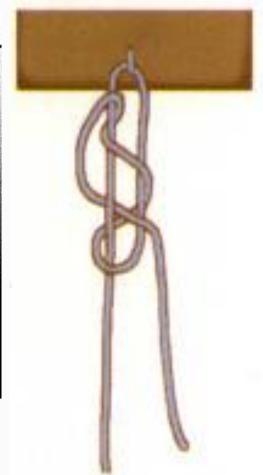


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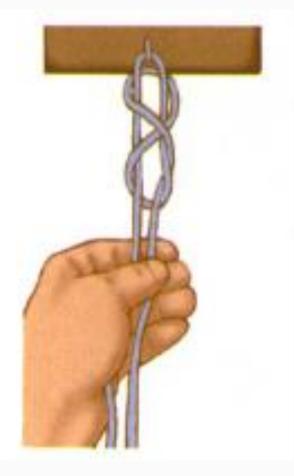
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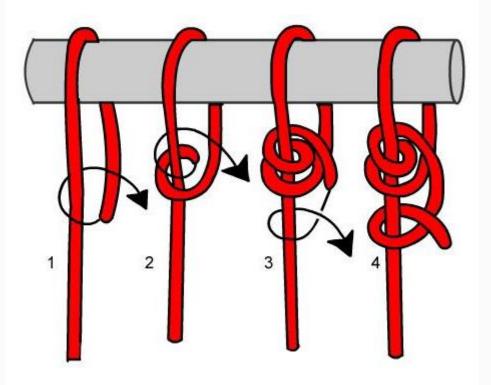


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Techniques in suture technique

Seat each knot fully under arthroscopic visualization prior to passing subsequent throws

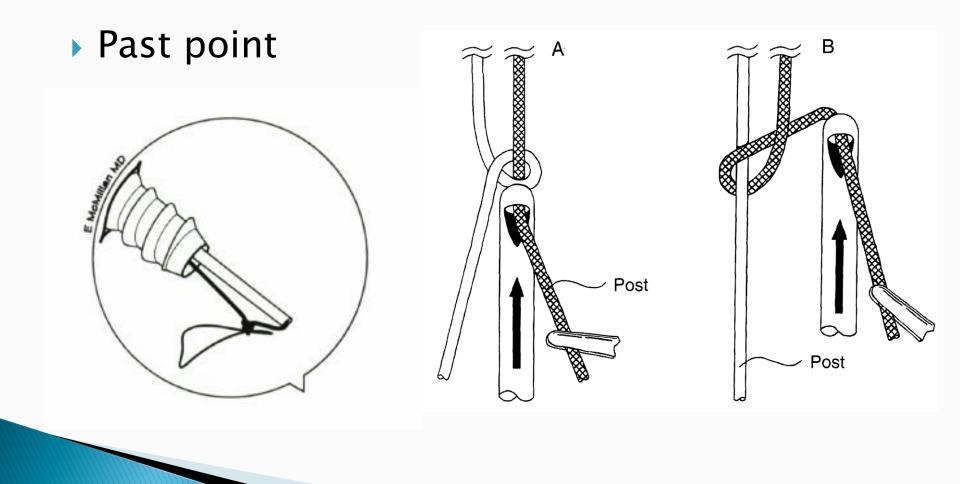


Sliding knots inherently provide better tissue loop tension, but inherently loosen more easily



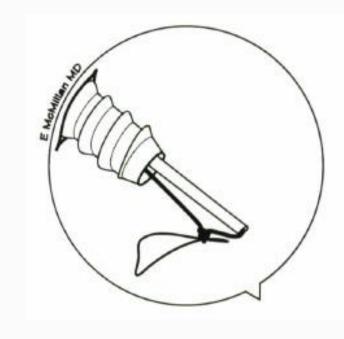
Add half hitches to Knot

Techniques in suture technique



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Past point





Selecting the right arthroscopic knot

- provide good tissue loop tension
- Good Knot security
- smallest bulk
- Surgeon ease of tying
 - Experience

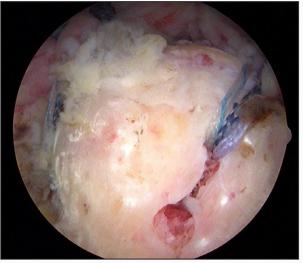
Practice , practice , practice



Why sutures fail?

- surgical technique
- quality of the tissue
- quality of anchors & suture material





Thank you for attention