Abstract: Esthetics in orthodontics has been defined mainly in terms of profile enhancement, but if you ask lay people what an orthodontist does, their answers will usually include something about creating beautiful smiles. It is important to differentiate between the social smile and the enjoyment smile. The social smile is a voluntary smile a person uses in social settings or when posing for a photograph. In treating the smile, the social smile generally represents a repeatable smile. In this presentation we have chosen the social smile and will discuss esthetic teeth and gingival relationships, the evolution of smile analysis, and will analyze the smile in 4 dimensions: frontal, oblique, sagittal, and time-specific. Conclusion: This article represented a reemphasis of the importance of physical diagnosis and the appreciation of the soft tissues that both drive our treatment planning and limit the treatment response. The key element in this evaluation was the direct measurement of lip–tooth relationships both dynamically and in repose.

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