

A NEW SEARCH AND EXTRACTION TECHNIQUE FOR  
MOTION CAPTURE DATA

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## ABSTRACT

Motion capture is defined as measuring the position and orientation of an object in physical space by triangulating information from multiple cameras which tracks and estimate a number of retro reflective markers over time. This information is later translated into a 3 dimensional digital representation. Motion capture is applied in a wide range of field such as biomechanics, athletic analysis/training, gait analysis, computer animations, gesture recognition, sign language, music and also fine art dance/ performance. In sport science, motion capture data is used for analyzing and perfecting the sequencing mechanics of premiere athletes, as well as monitoring the recovery progress of physical therapies. Existing indexing and extraction technique for motion capture files are based on the whole body motion, where-by motion analysis in sport generally focuses on repeated movements made by specific part of limb such as the arms and legs to measure the effects of a training program. In this research, “Silat Olahraga” movements were used as a case study to apply a new technique for searching and extraction of motion capture files based on different human body segments. “Silat Olahraga” is a type of sport based on “Silat”, a combative art of Malay fighting and survival. A total of sixteen “Silat Olahraga” motion samples simulating four different motion categories were collected and stored as a motion capture database. The process of identification and extraction of logically related motions scattered within the data set called content-based retrieval method was performed to return results to the user. Results from the experiments show that matching motion files were successfully extracted from the motion capture library using the new algorithm based on different human body segments.

## ABSTRAK

Definisi perakam pergerakan adalah mengukur kedudukan dan orientasi sesuatu objek di dalam ruang fizikal dan kemudian merakamkan maklumat tersebut ke dalam bentuk gunaan computer. Kegunaan perakam pergerakan meliputi bidang yang luas seperti biomekanik, analisa/latihan ahli sukan, analisa gaya jalan, animasi komputer, pengecaman gerak isyarat, bahasa isyarat, muzik serta seni tarian/persembahan. Masalah yang lazimnya timbul adalah dalam penyimpanan dan kemudiannya mengekstrak fail perakam pergerakan di dalam pangkalan data perakam pergerakan. Pengguna biasanya terpaksa melakukan turutan klip pergerakan secara manual atau membuat carian berdasarkan kata kunci yang memerihal perlakuan sesuatu pergerakan. Penyelidik terdahulu telah memfokuskan terhadap mengindeks dan pertanyaan pangkalan data ini berdasarkan kepada seluruh pergerakan badan. Di dalam penyelidikan ini, pergerakan Silat Olahraga telah digunakan sebagai kajian kes untuk menerapkan sebuah teknik baru di dalam pencarian dan mengekstrak fail perakam pergerakan berdasarkan segmen badan manusia yang berlainan. Silat Olahraga adalah sejenis sukan berdasarkan Silat iaitu satu bentuk seni mempertahankan dan kemandirian Melayu. Pergerakan di dalam bidang sukan biasanya tertumpu kepada gerakan yang dilakukan oleh bahagian-bahagian tertentu tubuh seperti tangan atau kaki. Sebanyak enam belas sampel pergerakan Silat Olahraga yang mewakili empat kategori pergerakan telah dirakam dan disimpan sebagai pangkalan data perakam pergerakan. Kaedah pengekstrakan berdasarkan kandungan telah diterapkan bagi memaparkan hasil pencarian. Hasil daripada uji kaji yang dijalankan menunjukkan fail-fail sepadan telah berjaya diekstrak daripada pangkalan data perakam pergerakan dengan menggunakan sebuah algoritma baru berdasarkan segmen tubuh manusia yang belainan.

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**LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS**

<b>AMC</b>	-	Acclaim Motion Capture Data
<b>ASF</b>	-	Acclaim Skeleton File
<b>BVH</b>	-	Biovision Hierarchical data
<b>DTW</b>	-	Dynamic Time Warping
<b>HTR</b>	-	Hierarchical Translational Rotation
<b>LCSS</b>	-	Longest Common Subsequence
<b>MCML</b>	-	Motion Capture Markup Language
<b>Mocap</b>	-	Motion Capture
<b>PCA</b>	-	Principle Component Analysis
<b>UI</b>	-	User Interface
<b>XML</b>	-	Extensible Markup Language

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# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

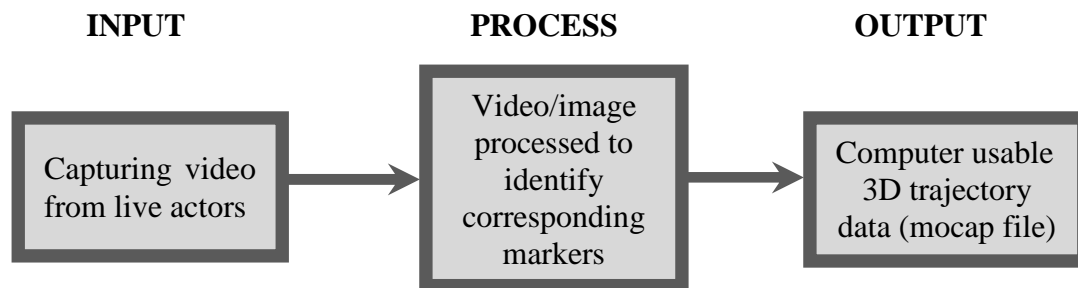
### 1.1 Background

The study of human locomotion and its applications have changed since it began from the cave drawings of the Paleolithic Era. The reason for human locomotion studies during its early days were driven by the need to survive by efficiently moving from place to place, escaping from predators and hunting for food (Thomas & Eugene, 2000). Modern-day human locomotion studies have contributed to a wide range of applications ranging from military use, sport, ergonomics, and health care. In locomotion studies, according to Susan (1991) the term *biomechanics* became accepted during the early 1970s as the internationally recognized descriptor of the field of study concerned with the mechanical analysis of living organism. In sport, human locomotion studies are made to stretch the limits of an athlete when even the smallest improvement in performance is pursued eagerly (Atha, 1984). However, the advancement of human locomotion studies remains dependent on the development of new tools for observation. According to Thomas & Eugene (2000) more recently, instrumentation and computer technology have provided opportunities for the advancement of the study of human locomotion. Atha (1984) described numerous techniques for measuring motion and

mentioned the co-ordinate analyzer (*motion capture* device) as a significant advance in movement analysis.

According to Maureen (2000) *Motion capture* or also known as *mocap* was originally created for military use before it was adapted into the entertainment industry since the mid 1980's. Dyer, Martin and Zulauf (1995) define *motion capture* as measuring an objects position and orientation in physical space, then recording that information into a computer usable form. According to Kovar and Gleicher, 2003; Suddha, Shrinath and Sharat, 2005 *motion capture* is the fastest way to generate rich, realistic animation data. James *et al.* (2000) describes that *Mocap* can also be applied in several other fields such as music, fine art dance/performance, sign language, gesture recognition, rehabilitation/medicine, biomechanics, special effects for live-action films and computer animation of all types as well as in defense and athletic analysis/training.

There are basically three types of motion capture systems available such as mechanical, electromagnetic and optical based system. All three systems go through the same basic process shown in **Figure 1.1**. The first step is the input where the movement of live actors either human or animal is recorded using various method depending on the type of the motion capture system used. Next, the information is processed to identify the corresponding markers of the live actor and then transferred into virtual space using specialized computer software. Finally the output is where the information is translated into a 3D trajectory computer data that contains translation and rotation information known as *motion capture* file.



**Figure 1.1 Basic Motion Capture Process.**

Training or coaching sport activities such as *martial art* have been traditionally exercised by means of observations and visual assessment. This trend however is fast becoming obsolete with the rapid growth of research and developments in sports science. According to Atha (1984) visual assessment is commonly practiced because of the fact that it is low cost but not without its significant drawbacks. It is relatively slow, it has to sort what it wants from a great variety of visual information, and its usefulness is limited by the small capacity short term memory to which it has access.

Scientists at National Geographic employ state of the art mocap system to measure and map the speed, force, range and impact of *martial art* fighter techniques (Yancey, 2006). This is a practical step to take *martial art* to the next level since most of the popular self-defense techniques such as *Tae Kwon Do*, *Karate* and also '*Silat Olahraga*' have been adapted to become a new form of sport which raises the issue of safety and competitiveness in term of training and coaching. The goal of this research is to apply scientific method towards '*silat olahraga*' training and coaching technique.

## 1.2 Problem Statement

- 1.2.1 Even though motion capture is applied into so many fields by creating physically perfect motions, it has a few significant weaknesses. According to Hyun-Sook & Yilbyung (2004) firstly, it has low flexibility, secondly the captured data can have different data formats depending on the motion capture system which was employed and thirdly, commercially available motion capture libraries are difficult to use as they often include hundreds of examples. Shih-Pin *et al.* (2003), states that motion capture sessions are not only costly but also a labor intensive process thus, promotes the usability of the motion data.
- 1.2.2 In the field of animation and gaming industry, it is common that motion clips are captured to be used for a particular project or stored in a *mocap* library. These clips can either be used as the whole range of motion sequence or as part of a motion synthesis. In sport science, mocap data is used for analyzing and perfecting the sequencing mechanics of premier athletes, as well as monitoring the recovery progress of physical therapies. This simply means that a vast collection of *motion capture* files or *motion capture* library are accumulated. Currently, motion data are often stored in small clips to allow for easy hand sequencing and searches based on keywords describing the behavior (Jernej *et al.*, 2004; Tanco and Hilton, 2000). However, according to Hyun-Sook & Yilbyung (2004), Carlos (2001), Tanco and Hilton, (2000) a *motion capture* library is not good at storing and retrieving *motion capture* files as a database. This calls for an immediate need for tools that index, query, compress, annotate and organize these datasets (Feng *et al.*, 2003)

- 1.2.3 During a biomechanics study for the purpose of performance improvements among athletes such as the one done by Gregory *et al.* (2005), a controlled cohort repeated-measures experimental method was used to study the effects of a specific training program. This involves measuring the before and after effects of such training program and also comparisons among the athletes who participated in the experiment. With a collection of motion sequence in hand, according to Muller, Roder, & Clausen (2005) one has to solve the fundamental problem of *identifying* and *extracting* suitable motion clips from the database on hand. The user usually resorts to describing the motion clips to be retrieved in various ways at different semantic levels. One possible specification could be a rough textual description such as “a kick of the right followed by a punch”. Another query mode would involve a short query motion clip, the task being to retrieve all clips in the database containing parts or aspects similar to the query. Muller, Roder, & Clausen (2005) refer this problem as *content-based retrieval*. This research will attempt to apply automatic *searching* and *extraction* of matching human motion data based on statistical properties as an alternative to hand sequencing.
- 1.2.4 Due to the success of motion capture, many organizations developed their own motion capture file formats which were designed for specific hardware. Because of this, according to Meredith & Maddock (2005), Alexander *et al.* (2007), there are no standard motion capture file formats and according to Carlos (2001) since there are no industry-wide standard for archiving and exchanging of motion capture data, it is hard to predict how different software react with the motion capture files. This is why TRC file format was used to develop the motion search and extraction system for this research since Institut Sukan Negara and Universiti Putra Malaysia both uses Motion Analysis Corporation motion capture system that generates TRC files.

1.2.5 Most of the motion capture file search and retrieval research cited in this research including Kovar and Glicher (2004) are concerned with character animation and motion synthesis where-by according to Bobby *et al.* (1997), in the field of animation, highly abstracted applications of *motion capture data*, analogous to puppetry, are primarily concerned with motion character, and only secondarily concerned with fidelity or accuracy where by additionally, accurate motion analysis is important to the biomechanics community.

### **1.3 Research Objectives**

The research objectives are as follows:-

- 1.3.1 To study and identify a suitable *search* and *extraction* method for biomechanics motion sequence.
- 1.3.2 To develop and to test a motion search and extraction system for biomechanics data.
- 1.3.3 To study the effectiveness of the biomechanics data search and extraction system in a motion capture database.

## 1.4 Scope of Research

In order to achieve the best possible result from this research, we need to identify the scope in which the research will focus on. The scopes identified are concerning the software, types of data, techniques to be applied and the main topics to be covered related to the research area are as follows:-

1. This research will use the Tracked Row Column (TRC) file format for the system development and sample collection of motion capture files based on Motion Analysis Corporation motion capture System employed by Universiti Putra Malaysia where the motion data/samples were collected. The reason for using the TRC file format is explained on the problem statement 1.2.4.
2. Samples collected on basic 'silat' movements such as punching, kicking and elbowing will be manually segmented to simulate the motion library environment where motion sequences are usually named based on the behavior or the performers.
3. A prototype to apply the motion extraction technique identified from this research will be developed using Microsoft Visual Basic and Microsoft Access Database.

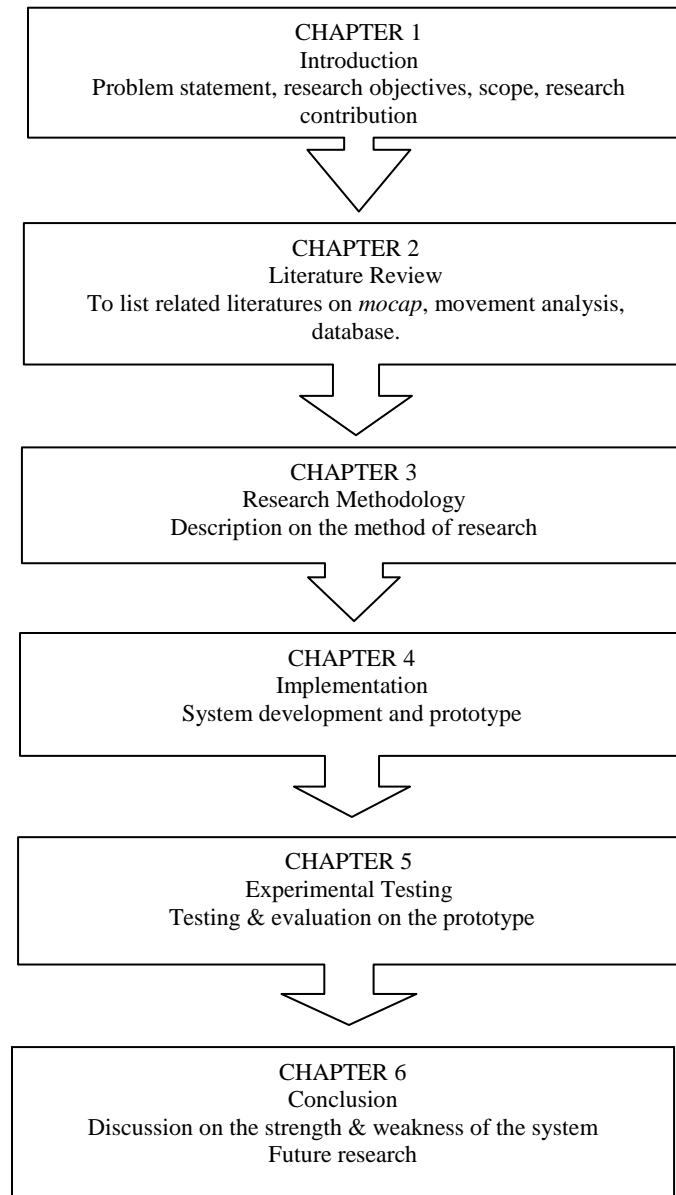
## 1.4 Research Contribution

The result of this research has generated two main contributions as far as knowledge is concerned:-

1. In this research, a content-based retrieval method for search and motion data extraction has been identified and applied for sequencing/identifying biomechanics data in a motion capture library or mocap database.
2. An automated content-based retrieval for search and motion data extraction has been developed to speed up the process of identifying and extracting suitable biomechanics data from a motion capture library for the purpose of analyzing and perfecting the sequencing mechanics of premier athletes, in relation to sports science.

## 1.6 Thesis Structure

The structures of the thesis are as follows. The first chapter will cover the introduction explaining briefly on *motion capture*. Also included in this chapter are the problem statement, research objectives, scopes and finally the research contributions. Chapter 2 will discuss the on the past research done on *motion capture* and other related topics to find the best methodology to address the research objectives mentioned in the first chapter. In Chapter 3 will be on the description of the methodologies of this research. Chapter 4 will explain on the implementation of the system development based on the methodology discussed on Chapter 3. Chapter 5 will cover on the test carried on the motion extraction system developed in this research and finally, Chapter 6 concludes this thesis with future directions. The general flow of the thesis is shown in *figure 1.2* below.



**Figure 1.2 Thesis Structure**

## CHAPTER 2

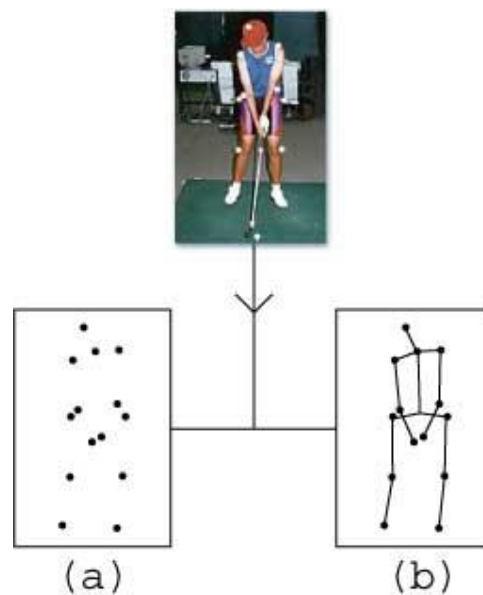
### LITERATURE REVIEW

#### 2.1 Introduction

This chapter is a discussion of the related issues on *motion capture* data *search* and *extraction*. Since *motion capture* is used in a wide range of applications, it comes to no surprise that the users are faced with common issues. In the animation and gaming industry according to Carlos (2001) the lack of an industry wide standard for archiving and exchanging *motion capture* data has contributed to the reluctance of animators to utilize this technology. This is because the same *motion capture* files react differently on different animation packages. So, before going deeper on the motion data *search* and *extraction* process, perhaps it is best to understand the basic overview *motion capture* system.

## 2.2 Motion Capture File Formats

*Motion capture* file formats can be roughly divided into two; The Tracker Format and the Skeleton Format, according to the method for processing and the system used to get the *motion capture* data. The former only has three-dimensional location values and accepts the Adaptive Optics Associates (AOA), Coordinate 3D (C3D) and Tracked Row Column (TRC) formats. The Latter has skeleton information as well as the three-dimensional location values and accepts the BVH, Biovision Data (BVA), Htr, ASF/AMC, Lamsoft Magnetic format BRD, Polhemous DAT files and Ascension ASC file formats (Hyun-Sook Chun and Yilbyung Lee, 2004).



(a)	(b)
Tracker Format Translation = Tx, Ty, Tz	Skeleton Format Hierarchical = root, Lhip, Rhip, etc Translation = Tx, Ty, Tz Rotation = Rx, Ry, Rz

**Figure 2.1 Basic Motion Capture File Format**

## 2.3 Motion Capture Data Extraction Techniques

*Motion capture* data are high-quality and solidified, designed for specific characters or circumstances making it difficult to edit or modified for other purposes. Its' data format vary depending on the *motion capture* system employed where each system defines its own data format to express the capture contents. Studies on *motion capture* are done basically to solve problems related to the issues mentioned above. The next section, reviews the method or approach taken by other researchers that are relevant to this study.

### 2.3.1 XML Based Approach

In an effort to make *motion capture* data become more versatile, Carlos (2001) applied immediate translation, indexing and archiving of *motion capture* files in a network environment by translating the file into XML document. By parsing the data provided by the user into an XML document and the developing a set of schemas for each viable output, the application would be able to use a single content file, which could serve multiple animation applications. The system handles three motion capture file formats i.e. BVA, Newtek's Lightwave and AOA. Carlos (2001) developed a structure that would hold the necessary data to reconstruct any of the input files before ASP (Microsoft's Active Server Pages) application could be used to parse out in-coming motion capture files into XML.

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**Figure 2.2** Morales XML Motion Capture File Structure

### 2.3.2 MCML Based Approach

Hyun-Sook & Yilbyung (2004) solved the problem of *searching* and *retrieving motion capture* library by applying MCML or Motion Capture Markup Language. This is actually an extension of Carlos (2001) work based on XML to define tags to integrate different type of *motion capture* file format which includes hierarchical data format such as Acclaim Skeleton File (ASF)/Acclaim Motion Capture Data (AMC), Biovision Hierarchical data (BVH) and Hierarchical Translational Rotation (HTR). By having a standard format, the duplication of *motion capture* files can be eliminated and this creates a compact-sized motion database. A stored MCML document can be viewed either in the form of text or as a hierarchy structure in a

database. Therefore, animators can examine the contents of an MCML document without loading it into main memory.

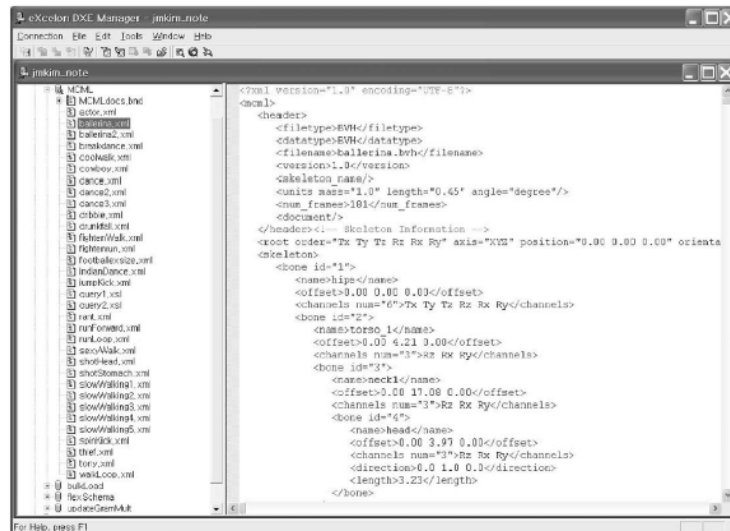


Figure 2.3 MCML Documents stored in XML Database

### 2.3.3 Motion Normalization Approach

According to Yan Gao *et al.* (2005), the difference between skeletons in motion data will affect the result of motion *retrieval* or motion graph. So it is desirable if each skeletal segment for all motion in motion database shares a common length. Yan Gao *et al.* (2005) proposed a method to preprocess motion data in motion database with common skeleton length. Similar to image normalization, the same principle is applied to motion normalization. The motion normalization is applied to adapt each skeletal segment of motion data in a database with common length automatically. This is done by first adjusting the root positions in

an online manner and then cleaning up foot skates using Kovar and Gleicher 2003) post-process algorithm.

### 2.3.4 Motion Data Indexing

Shih-Pin *et al.* (2003) proposed posture feature indexing to provide a novel framework to synthesize complex human motion. For *motion index*, posture features of each frame are extracted and then mapped into a multidimensional vector. For motion synthesis, a user interface graphical stickman is devised for specifying postures of start frame and end frame respectively. Then a path finding algorithm is applied to search for smooth paths in the multidimensional *index* space. A synthesized motion can be obtained by first collecting proper motion clips along a chosen path and then polishing consecutive motion clips using constraint-based transition method.

Another *motion data indexing* approach was introduced by Guodong *et al.* (2005). Through this method, a data-driven approach for representing, compressing and *indexing human-motion* databases was used. The modeling approach is based on piecewise-linear components that are determined via a divisive clustering method. Selection of the appropriate linear model is determined automatically via a classifier using subspace of the most significant, or principle features (markers).

Michail *et al.* (2005) came up with the idea of *multidimensional time-series indexing*. The purpose was to present an efficient, compact, external memory *indexing* technique for fast discovery of similar trajectories. Their technique offers enhanced robustness, particularly for noisy data encountered often in real-world applications by applying

LCSS model for similarity measures but at the same time their *index* also supports Euclidean and DTW distance measures as well.

### 2.3.5 Cluster Graph Approach

Suddha, Shrinath and Sharat (2005) described a *query by example* and *cluster graph* scheme to enable search and transition for *mocap* data in their research. They view motion data as consisting of a bundle of signals and identify continuous monotonic portions (termed *fragments*) from the signals to retrieve queries. They considered *fragments* as important in their method because *fragments* enable “mining” of possibly unrelated clips and enables robust scaling. Individual clips are automatically chopped and also collects similar sub-clip sequences. All such sequences are collected into nodes in a *cluster graph*. This method allows animator to *query by example* the motion database.

### 2.3.6 Content-based Motion Retrieval Approach

This approach was inspired by *content-based retrieval* algorithm for retrieving multimedia data, based on the features automatically extracted from the content. Desired motions are obtained by submitting a similar sample in the form of a *motion capture* or a scripted one. Feng Liu *et al.* (2003); Kovar and Gliether (2004); Muller, Roder and Clausen (2005) presented their methods of content-based retrieval which are discussed in detail on section 2.4.

## 2.4 Content-based Retrieval

According to Kovar and Gliecher (2004) the search problem is related to time sequence, which has been studied by the database community for over a decade. Given a distance metric and a query time sequence, the task is to search a database for time sequences whose distance to the query is either below a threshold  $\epsilon$  or among the  $k$  smallest. In their research, the strategy was to find “close” matches that are numerically similar to the query and uses them as new queries to find more distant matches. Their method was developed to apply motion blending to the extracted motion that gives the user direct control over relevant motion properties.

Kovar and Gliecher (2004) uses two criteria to determine numerical similarity among two motion segments:

1. Corresponding frames should have similar skeleton poses.
2. Frame correspondences should be easy to identify. That is, related events in the motions should be clearly recognizable.

An analysis of the time alignment determines whether two motion segments satisfy the numerical similarity criteria. Given a distance function  $d$  for individual frames, dynamic programming can be used to compute an optimal time alignment that minimizes the total distance between matched frames.

Feng Liu *et al.* (2003) developed hierarchical tree clusters of motions by extracting key-frames of motion in a database because motion resembles video in their representation (i.e., both can be represented as posture/frames sequences) with deeper levels of the tree corresponding to joints deeper in the skeletal hierarchy. Within the hierarchical motion description, the motion of a parent joint may induce those of its children joints, whereas that of a child joint is unable to influence its parent joints. Their algorithm uses direct numerical comparison to determine similarity between two motions. According to Feng Liu *et al.* (2003) most similarity measures of motions are defined based on their corresponding key-frame sequences. A simple method is the Nearest Center (NC) algorithm.

Muller, Roder and Clausen (2005) introduced various kinds of qualitative features describing geometric relation between specified body points of a pose and show how these features induce a time segmentation of *motion capture* data stream. By incorporating spatio-temporal invariance into the geometric features and adaptive segments to adopt efficient indexing methods allowing for flexible and efficient content-based retrieval and browsing in huge motion capture database.

## 2.4 TRC Data Format

This section, reviews the TRC (Tracked Row Column) file format to study the file structure. The file *search* and *extraction* algorithm will be based on the position data of specified markers. As shown on **Figure 2.4** there are three main components in a TRC file format, defined as file header, data header and positional data. Please refer to **Table 2.1** for the details.

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		X1	Y1	Z1	X2	Y2	Z2	X3	Y3
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2	4.333	654.7773	1242.684	-22.5112	787.9257	1262.397	-21.6838	662.9822	1189.516
3	4.35	650.5796	1242.175	-23.4569	783.4551	1262.714	-22.229	660.2784	1188.592
4	4.367	646.6044	1242.737	-22.8247	779.6567	1262.985	-22.1212	656.9877	1187.816
5	4.383	642.6852	1241.802	-24.237	776.3693	1263.074	-23.6377	653.6027	1186.791
6	4.4	639.2983	1241.813	-25.527	772.5653	1263.355	-25.2187	650.1641	1186.094
7	4.417	635.6042	1240.258	-27.8713	768.6862	1263.059	-26.7848	647.4609	1185.686
8	4.433	632.2172	1239.777	-29.9081	765.161	1263.07	-29.1351	644.6481	1185.149
9	4.45	628.5794	1239.733	-32.6419	761.9251	1262.671	-31.516	640.5477	1183.763
10	4.467	625.9575	1239.288	-35.4142	758.7261	1261.674	-34.6919	637.4854	1183.272
11	4.483	621.708	1237.773	-37.859	755.6989	1260.928	-37.4011	634.1581	1183.315
12	4.5	620.1788	1238.086	-42.5888	752.5591	1260.426	-41.7637	631.2387	1183.279
13	4.517	616.4313	1236.736	-46.5103	749.5506	1259.811	-44.7497	628.7905	1182.994
14	4.533	614.2166	1235.643	-51.0422	746.9777	1259.647	-49.6131	625.2748	1182.358
15	4.55	610.3926	1234.221	-53.9652	743.4327	1258.378	-54.0765	622.9103	1182.456
16	4.567	609.0518	1233.41	-59.9803	741.4177	1257.726	-58.2588	620.1668	1182.464

	File Header
	Data Header
	Position Data

**Figure 2.4 TRC File Sample**

**Table 2.1 TRC File Structure**

<b>FILE HEADER</b>	
First row	File path
Second row	Headings for data rate, camera rate, number of frames, number of marker units, original data rate, original data start and original number of frames.
Third row	actual number/value for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> row's information
<b>DATA HEADER</b>	
Fourth row	Headings for frame number, time and markers name
Fifth row	Markers dimension headings (x, y, z)
<b>POSITION DATA</b>	
Sixth row onwards	The actual position and time values

## 2.6 Summary

Through out this chapter, a total of six approaches on how to solve *motion capture search* and *retrieval* problem done by other researchers that is relevant to this study has been presented. The techniques discussed were the XML, MCML, Motion Normalization, Motion Data Indexing, Cluster Graph and the Content-based Retrieval approach. The reason for this is actually to make a study and comparisons as a guide to select the best method to be implemented in the “*silat olahraga*” or sport science domain.

Based on the literatures presented, *content-based retrieval* has been identified as a potential approach to be applied to this research. All the literatures reviewed in this study used the skeleton type of *motion capture* files for their system development. This is because their main goal was to assist animators in selecting suitable motion clips to be mapped onto new characters or as part of a motion synthesis. *The tracker format* is considered as raw *motion capture* files and is being used to construct skeleton type *motion capture* files. In the field of sport science, the tracker file format can either be used directly as a performance measurement or mapped onto biomechanical models to provide kinematical data for clinical gait analysis (Cerveri , Pedotti and Ferrigno, 2003). From the observations made at the *Institut Sukan Negara (ISN)* and *Pusat Pembangunan Maklumat dan Komunikasi, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM)*, both owns *Motion Analysis Corporation* © motion capture system that generates TRC *motion capture* file format. All the motion files are basically stored in a *motion capture* library where the file naming is either based on the movement type or by the performer’s name. This provides the perfect case studies to apply to this research based on the problem statement and research objectives presented on the first chapter.

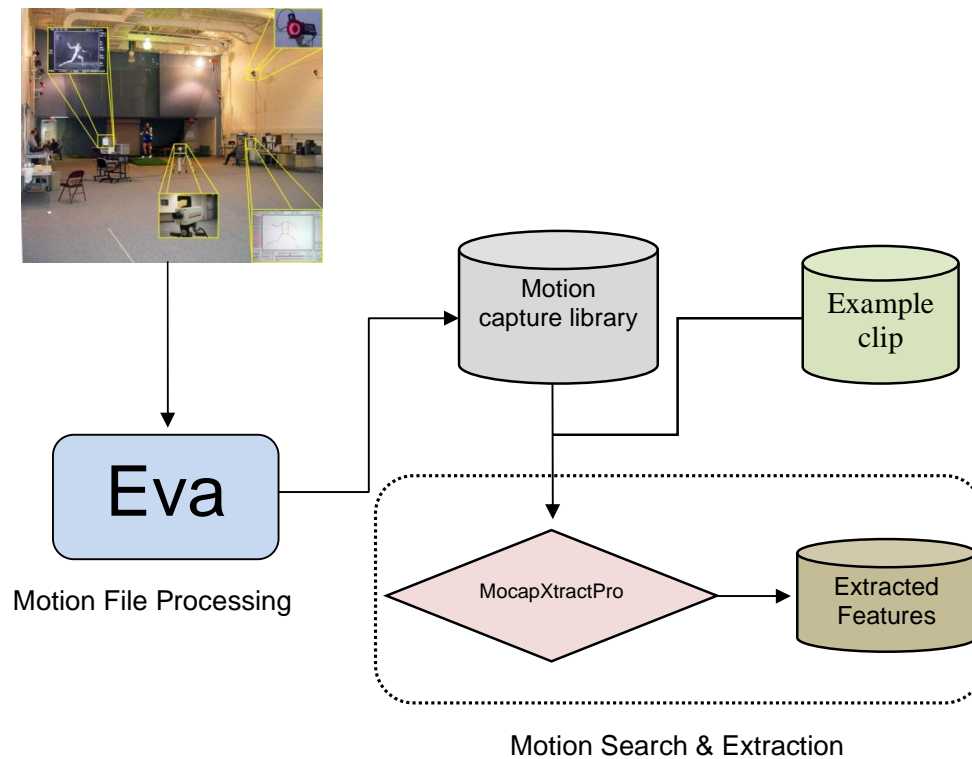
## CHAPTER 3

### RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

#### 3.1 Introduction

This chapter will discuss the design of the prototype for *motion capture search and extraction* system. Based on the previous chapter, the best approach to be implemented for the system development is the *content-based retrieval* technique based on Kovar and Gleicher (2004) that uses the *query by example*. The similarity measure of motion for this system is defined based on their corresponding key-frame sequence method using Nearest Center (NC) algorithm. **Figure 3.1** shows the basic flow for a biomechanics archiving system where MocapXtractPro can be implemented. The MocapXtractPro *search and retrieving* process, consists of three main steps. The first step is *the query* that involves a segment of motion data to find similar action or sequence while in the second step of the system automatically searches for matching files based on NC algorithm and finally in the last step, the system extracts the selected features into a database.

## Motion Capture System



**Figure 3.1 Biomechanics Archiving System Flow**

### 3.2 MocapXtractPro System Flow

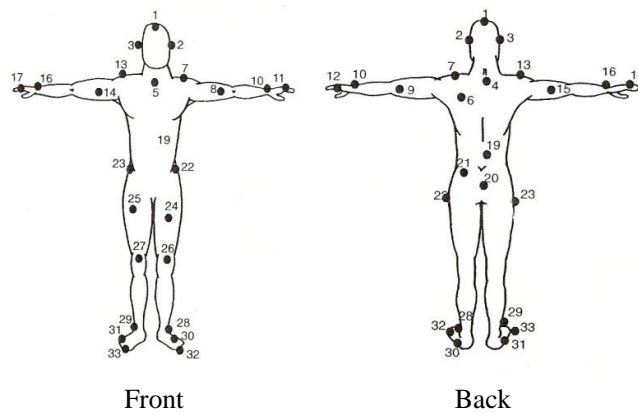
In this section, the proposed MocapXtractPro system for *search* and *retrieving* is explained. The flow starts with the *motion capture* process where the desired motion is recorded using optical based *motion capture* system. After the *motion capture* session is done, the video data is then converted into TRC *motion capture* files and stored into a *motion capture* library for archiving purpose. The

MocapXtractPro *search* and *retrieve* process begins when the user makes a query using an example motion clip to find *matching* files stored in the *motion capture* library. The system will *extract* the features based on the user's selection from the example clip and runs the algorithm to determine the center of motion for the specified clip. Next the system extracts the same features from all of the motion clips in the *motion capture* library and calculates the center of motion for each clip. The system then calculates the distance between the example clip and all the motion capture files in the motion capture library and finally extracts the matching clips according to the threshold value specified by the user. The details of the search and extraction process are discussed in **section 3.6**.

### **3.3 Sample Collection**

To develop and to test the MocapXtractPro system, samples of “*silat olahraga*” motion is needed to build a simulated *motion capture* library or database. Every *motion capture* system has its' own set of rules for standard marker position to be placed on the performer. Universiti Putra Malaysia uses the Motion Analysis Corporation *motion capture* system and the standard marker placement is shown in **Figure 3.2**.

	Head and Neck		Shoulders and Sternum
1	Head_top	5	Sternum
2	LHead	6	LBackShoulder
3	RHead	7	LShoulder
4	Neck_rear	13	RShoulder
		19	MidBack
	Arms and Hands		Pelvis and Hips
8	Lbicep	20	Root
9	LElbow	21	LPelvis
10	LWrist	22	LHips
11	LThumb	23	RHips
12	LPinky		Legs
14	RBicep	24	LThigh
15	RElbow	25	RThigh
16	RWrist	26	LKnee
17	RThumb	27	RKnee
18	RPinky		Feet
		28	LAnkle
		29	RAnkle
		30	LMidFoot
		31	RMidFoot
		32	LToe
		33	RToe



**Figure 3.2 Standard Marker Placements for Motion Samples**

A collection of simple “*silat*” motion was collected at the *Pusat Pembangunan Maklumat dan Komunikasi, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM)* using *Motion Analysis Corporation* © *motion capture* system and the sample collection process is shown on **Figure 3.3**.

Before we can proceed with the *motion capture* session, the actors are fitted with a special suite. A total of 33 pieces of special spherical markers with reflective material are placed on strategic parts of the figure, see **Figure 3.3 (a)**. Next, the system is calibrated to determine the capture volume of the real world in relation with virtual space. This is done by placing a special cube and wand that is also placed with reflective markers. The marker placement of the cube and wand is recognized by the system which enables it to triangulate every camera’s position in relation with the markers placed on the actors. The capture volume space usually depends on the number of camera used and for this particular system only allows a maximum of two actors to be recorded at one time **Figure 3.3 (b)**. The *motion capture* session starts with the actor performing the T-Pose action which is also part of the standard calibration procedure. Next, the actual *motion capture* process commences with the actors performing basic “*silat olahraga*” motions. The movements were done by two actors, each performing four sets of simple “*silat*” motion i.e. right hand punch, elbowing maneuver, right leg kick and knee attack **Figure 3.3 (c)**. With a special light mounted on the cameras, the reflective markers are made brighter than anything in the background, creating a simple black and white image with no grey scale. The actual video data is then saved with no trace of the human figure. After that the motion capture software (Eva 2.0) will then process the video data and finally produces a computer usable data known as *mocap* file **Figure 3.3 (d)**.

The motion samples generated as TRC files are then manually segmented with each sequence comprising 45 frames of motion and are then stored into a folder or a *motion capture* library. For this experiment, the samples are divided into two separate folders. The first folder called “Master TRC” contains four different motion segments. These files will be used as a *query sample* to find matching files in the

second folder called “TRC”. The second folder consists of 16 (sixteen) sample motions which simulates the motion library where all the captured clips are stored. The motion clips are named after the behavior (type of motion recorded) for example RightHandPunc.trc, RightFootKick.trc, etc.



a) Actors fitted with special suit



b) System Calibration process



c) Motion Recording/Capture Process



d) TRC File Output

**Figure 3.3 Sample Collection Process**

### 3.4 Center of Motion

The crucial point in *content-based motion retrieval* is the notion of “similarity” used to compare different motions. According to Kovar and Gleicher (2004) intuitively, two motions are regarded as similar if they represent variations of the same actions. A body posed is specified by a set of marker positions, each with three spatial coordinates ( $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ ). In this case, the set is composed of 33 markers representing each pose. A motion sequence is a time series of such pose. In the first stage, a Principle Marker needs to be identified. A Principle Marker is selected based on the best marker to explain the variability seen in a database. For example in a motion segment that contains right punching sequences, the right wrist marker is selected as the Principle Marker. The MocapXtractPro provides six options for the user to declare as the Principle Marker labeled as left wrist, left elbow, left toe, right wrist, right elbow and right toe.

Each motion sequence is represented as a sequence of frames, with 30 frames per second. Each frame is represented by the translation value of the three spatial coordinates ( $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ ). For a simple motion, the frames form a cluster that is spread around the center of motion  $\mathbf{P}$ . For every  $\mathbf{P}$  there are 3 dimensions representing coordinates  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  presented as follows,  $\mathbf{P}_c = \mathbf{P}_x, \mathbf{P}_y$  and  $\mathbf{P}_z$ . The *center of motion*  $\mathbf{P}$  can be defined as (Feng Liu et al., 2003):

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{P}_i$$

Each frame  $\mathbf{P}_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, n$ ) where  $n$  is the total of frame in a motion segment. The center of motion  $\mathbf{P}$  is determined by calculating the total value of  $n$ , where  $n$  is the total number of frames in a specific motion segment ( $\mathbf{P}_1 + \mathbf{P}_2 + \dots + \mathbf{P}_n$ ) divided by total number of  $n$ .

Kovar and Gleicher (2004) regarded motion as a continuous function  $\mathbf{M}(t)$  that is regularly sampled into frames  $\mathbf{M}(t_i)$ , where each frame is a skeletal pose defined by its joint orientations and the position of the root joint. Their goal was to find other motion segments that represent variations of the same action which they refer as *matches* and then uses them as queries to find more distant matches. Their research was to find identical motions in a database for the purpose of motion blending and synthesis in the field of animation. The database in Kovar and Gleicher (2004) research consists of skeleton format motion capture files. So, they used two criteria to determine numerical similarity between two motion segments:

1. Corresponding frames should have similar skeleton poses.
2. Frame correspondence should be easy to identify. That is, related events in the motions should be recognizable.

In the case of tracker motion capture file format, the problem is still the same where-by as explained earlier that the main point is to seek “similarity”. The process of searching for “similarity” is referred as clustering problem which applies to many different applications, including data mining and knowledge discovery, data compression and vector quantization, and pattern recognition and pattern classification (Tapas *et al.*, 2002). According to Tapas *et al.* (2002), one of the popular and widely studied clustering methods for points in Euclidean space is called *k-means clustering*. Given a set  $P$  of  $n$  data points in real  $d$ -dimensional space  $\mathcal{R}^d$ , an integer  $k$ , the problem is to determine a set of  $k$  points in  $\mathcal{R}^d$ , called *centers*, to minimize the mean squared Euclidean distance from each data point to its nearest center.

### 3.5 Motion Search

Given a query,  $\mathbf{M}_q$  which is a segment of motion in the data set, the goal is to find other motion segments that are similar to  $\mathbf{M}_q$  meaning, segments that represent variations of the same action. This is called *matches*. The search criteria are to find “close” matches that are numerically similar to the query. A user executes the search by providing a *query* and a distance *threshold* value that is used to determine whether two motion segments are numerically similar. Using the Euclidean distance model, the system finds a single motion  $\mathbf{M}_q$  that are numerically similar to another motion  $\mathbf{M}_i$ . The system uses, the *center of motion* of  $\mathbf{M}_q(x_q, y_q, z_q)$  and  $\mathbf{M}_i(x_i, y_i, z_i)$  to calculate the distance between the two motions defined as follows (Kovar and Gleicher, 2004):

$$d = | \sqrt{(M_q - M_i)^2} |$$

The user specifies the threshold  $t$  value of the maximum distance between  $\mathbf{M}_q$  and  $\mathbf{M}_i$  as the criteria for his search. According to the research done by Kovar and Gleicher (2004) an analysis of the time alignment determines whether two motion segments satisfy the numerical similarity criteria. This research uses a different approach since the structure of a TRC or tracker motion capture file formats are different from a skeleton motion capture file format which has been used.

A skeleton file format uses a hierarchy file structure where every child joints are dependant of its parent joint and ultimately all joints within a skeleton structure are connected to only one root joint. The skeleton file format contains translational as well as rotational information where-by the tracker file format only holds the translational data of each individual marker. Since each marker in a tracker file format are independent, any individual or set of markers can be extracted without affecting the whole file structure. In **Figure 3.6** a visual sample of the original and

extracted file of a sample *mocap* data is shown viewed from the *Alias Motion Builder Pro* software, where an experiment is done to test the file structure of the TRC (tracker format) motion capture file while **Figure 3.7** shows the result of the file extraction experiment.

### 3.5.1 Feature Extraction

This research uses the Principle Marker Selection approach as a basis to form a similarity analysis between two motion segments. Since the nature of a TRC file format is different from a skeleton motion capture file format, any individual marker can be identified as the feature or Principle Marker. The criteria for a Principle Marker selection is explained on **section 3.8** and the main point in this research is that the motion capture data in this research are meant for sport analysis. This is a significant difference between the research done by Kovar and Gleicher (2004) which focuses on animation and motion synthesis. Their research involves the whole skeleton structure and the motions are much more complex compared to that of a motion analysis. A motion analysis for example to study the effect of a training exercise only involves certain part of limb and on a simple motion like a golf or tennis swing. According to Conley *et al.* (2000) studies has been done to investigate injuries in related to sports on specific part of the body such as the elbow, knee, foot and ankle.

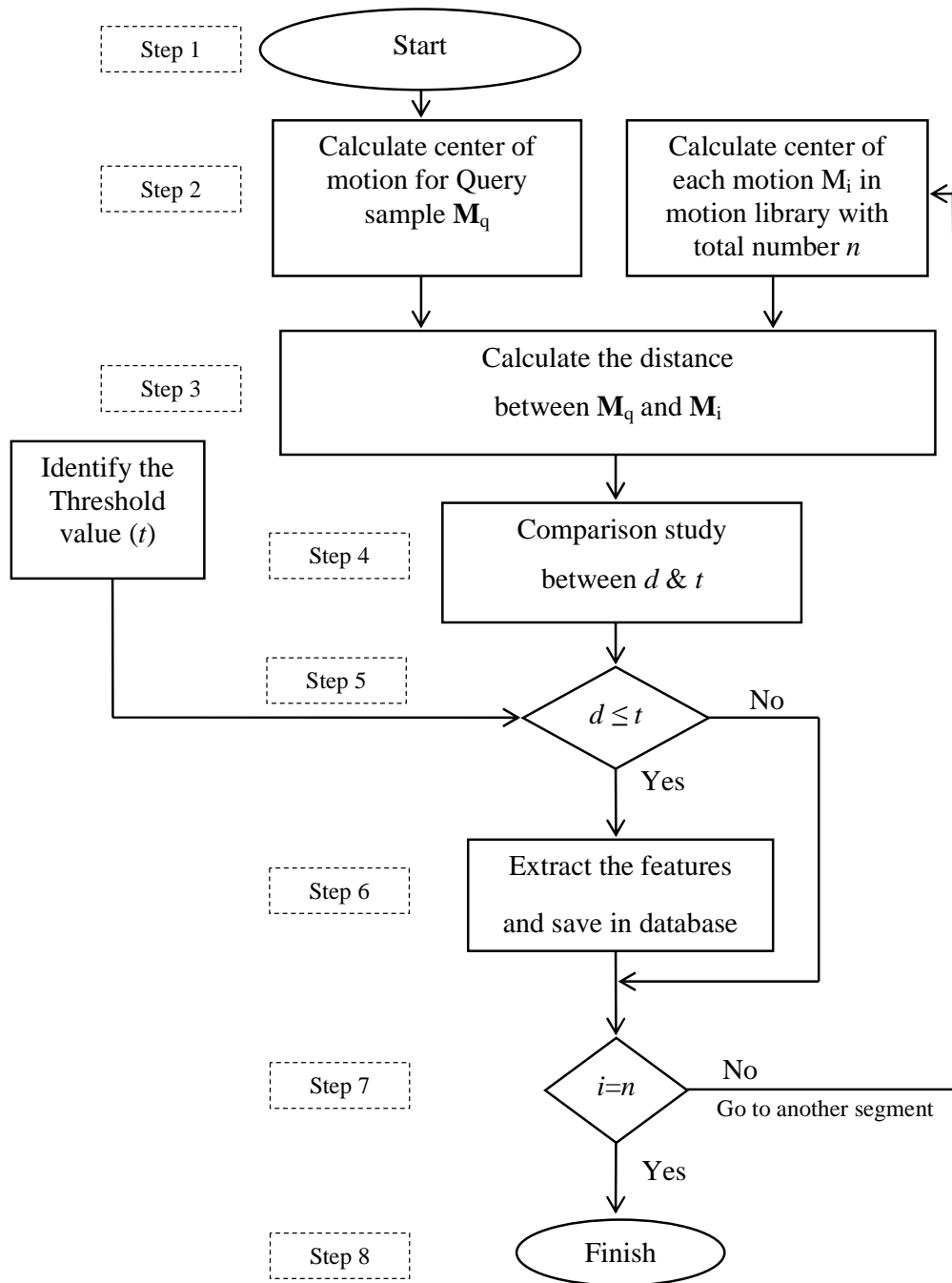
The method to compute the distance between  $\mathbf{M}_q$  and  $\mathbf{M}_i$  has been discussed on **section 3.5** where-by the system calculates the *center of motion* for the sample motion and all the motion capture files in the database. Then the system performs an analysis to calculate the distance between the sample motion and all the other motions. The system will match the *query* by the user based on the *threshold* value and extracts the features of all the *matching* files into a temporary database. The features extracted are actually the translational value of the matching files. This is based on the Principle Markers declared by the user. This means that at each

successful extraction process, the temporary database will contain a number of translational values of the matching motion capture files and each file will consist of the three spatial coordinates ( $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ ) per frame. The total number of frames for this experiment is limited to 45 frames.

### 3.6 The Extraction Process Flow

This section will explain the proposed biomechanics data extraction system flow based on the flow chart in **Figure 3.4**. The process starts when the user initiates the query process by providing a sample file ( $\mathbf{M}_q$ ) and a *threshold* ( $t$ ) value. The system will start by computing the *center of motion* of the sample file and all the biomechanics data in the database. Using the Euclidean distance model, the next step is to calculate the distance between the sample file and all the biomechanics data in the motion capture file library. Next, the system will begin another analysis process which is to compare all the distance values of the *motion capture* files with the *threshold* value provided by the user. The system will identify the *mocap* files based on the  $d \leq t$  criteria and extracts the files with the value of less than or equal to the *threshold* value provided by the user save it to a temporary database.

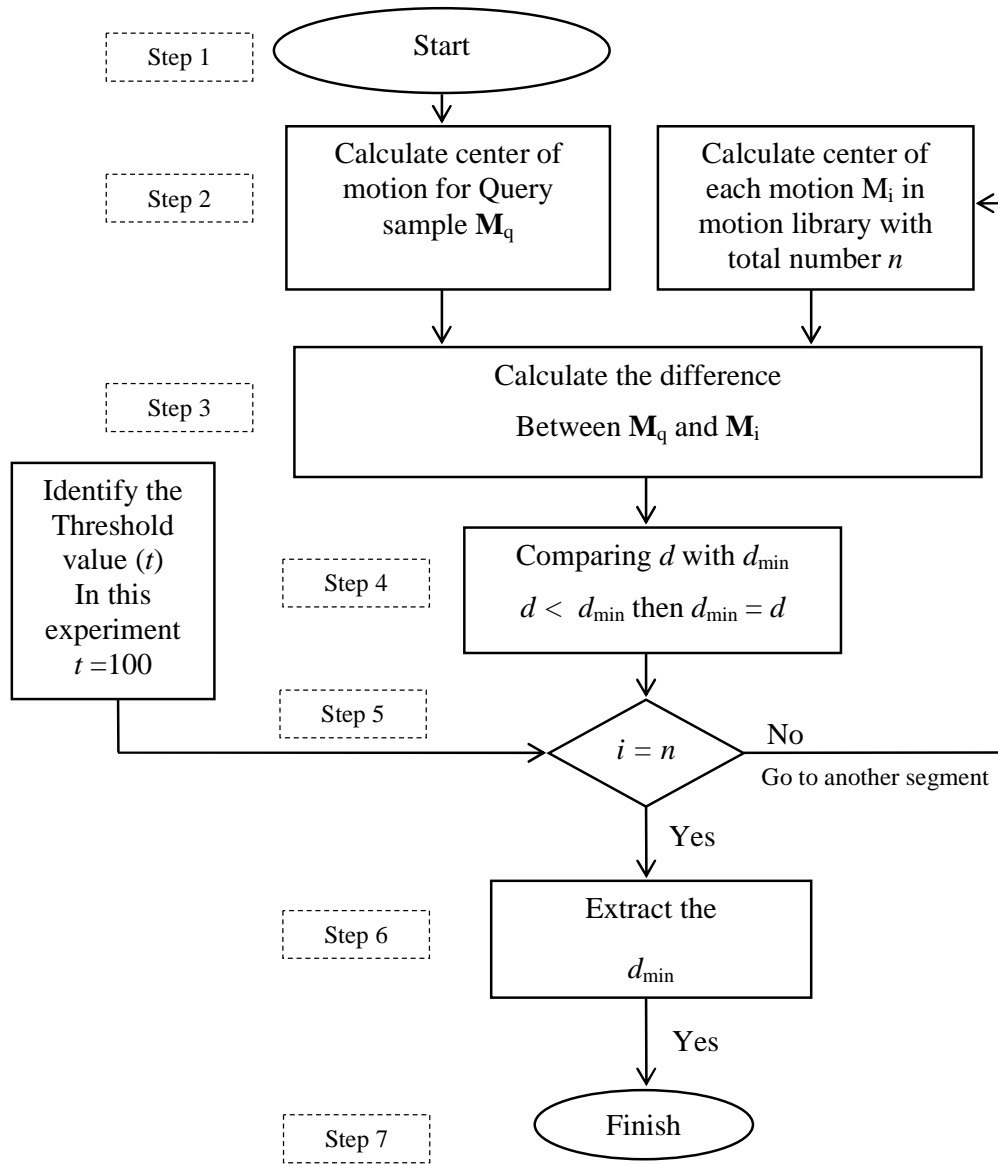
In order to get the optimum value of  $t$ , the user needs to run a series of random values. The best range of threshold value will depend on the type of motion involved and also how close the resemblance between motions stored in the motion library and the example motions are. The process ends after all the matching files in the database have been extracted.



**Figure 3.4** MocapXtractPro Search and Retrieval Process Flow

### 3.6.1 Further Extraction

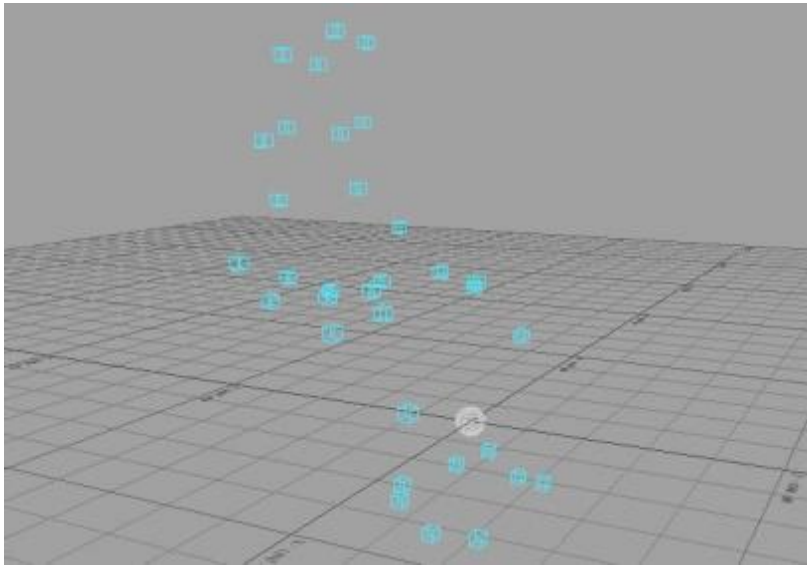
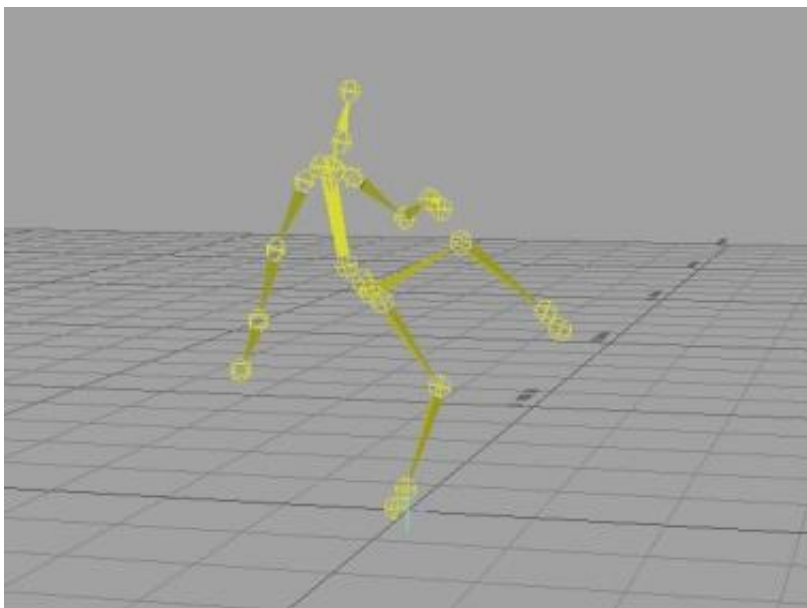
By now a number of matching motion segments are found and displayed to the user. According to Kovar and Gleicher (2004) method for searching for match sequence, each match sequence is a time alignment between the query and the potential match in  $M_i$ . In some cases, the matching motion segments returned may not be in the same set of motion segment submitted by the query. For example in this study, when a query is made using the punching example, the elbowing motion segments are also returned as the matching sequence and can be considered as redundant. This happens because the range of motion between punching and elbowing action are very close even though the *principle marker* selection is different. One way solve this problem is to lower the *threshold* value of the distance between the sample motion and the matching sequences. Another way is by refining the search criteria by the closest match. The flow for this refinement in **Figure 3.5** is basically the same as the normal search criteria except in **step 4** where only the closest match is returned.



**Figure 3.5 Finding Nearest Point to the Sample**

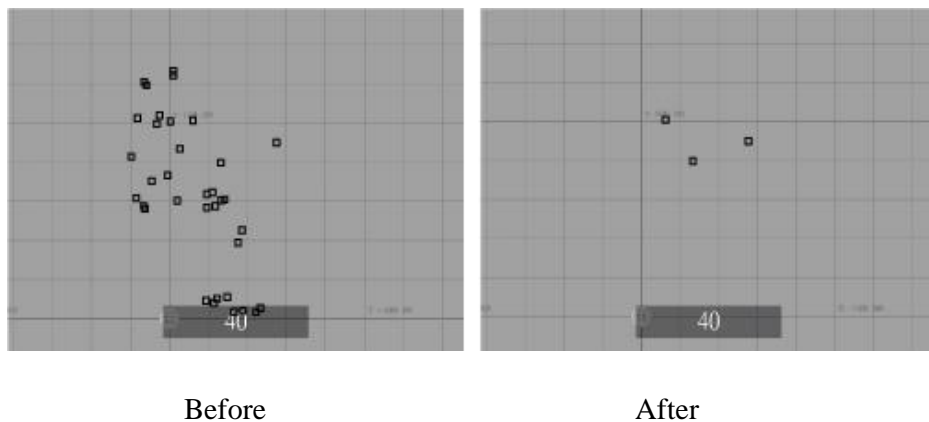
### 3.7 TRC Data Format

This section will discuss on the TRC data format which will be used as the motion capture data format for MocapXtractPro. As mentioned earlier, TRC file format consists of three main components defined as file header, data header and positional data. MocapXtractPro extracts only the key parts of the motion data. TRC file is in the Tracker Format category which only contains the positional or translational information for a set of markers. In this case the total number of markers in the samples collected is 33. **Figure 3.6** shows the graphical representation of the two type of motion capture file format viewed from Alias Motion Builder software where **A** is the Tracker Format while **B** is the Skeleton Format. The Skeleton Format is hierarchal based where the movement of a root joint affects all the child joints in the hierarchy.

**A****B**

**Figure 3.6** Graphical Differences between Tracker Format and the Skeleton Format

The structure of a Tracker motion capture file format is much less complex compared to the Skeleton Format. Each individual marker is independent of each other and only stores positional data without any rotational values. To prove this theory, an experiment was done by extracting a number of markers from a sample of a Tracker Format motion capture file. The result from this experiment is shown in **Figure 3.7**. The figure shows the before and after result of the extraction process. Viewed from the Alias Motion Builder software, the motion capture file is still readable even with only three markers attached.



**Figure 3.7** Numbers of Markers Before and After Extraction

**Table 3.1** shows the difference in terms of the numbers of markers and file size of a TRC file before and after an extraction process. The extraction was done using an earlier version of the MocapXtracPro program. As a result of the extraction process, a set of selected markers was successfully extracted thus reducing the file size of the mocap files and maintains the number of frames for the particular motion.

**Table 3.1** Result after the Extraction Process

	Original File	Extracted File
File Size	240kb	36kb
Num. of Markers	33	3
Num. of Frames	241	241

### 3.8 Principle Marker Selection

As discussed earlier, the *principle marker* selection by the user is based on the main criteria of a specified motion. The MocapXtractPro system needs to understand and identify the position of the *principle marker* inside a TRC file. The TRC format places its content using tab delimited style where pieces of information is separated by space. Even though the TRC file can be viewed using the Notepad program, it is difficult to identify the position of the *principle markers* this way. Instead MocapXtractPro uses the ASCII code where each character within the content of the file is defined clearly. **Table 3.2** shows the value of all six *principle marker* options included in MocapXtractPro. The system will use the LHand or RHand marker features for distance calculations when the Wrist option is selected, the LOuterElbow and ROuterElbow for Elbow option while LToe and RToe will be read for the Toe option.

**Table 3.2 Principle Marker Values in MocapXtractPro**

	Left	Right
Wrist	LHand	RHand
Elbow	LOuterElbow	ROuterElbow
Toe	LToe	RToe

**Figure 3.8** shows the content for a particular motion data in the TRC file which it uses for calculating the center of motion and also determine the distance value. The figure shows a screen shot of a TRC file viewed from Microsoft Excel. The content within the red dotted box are the actual features that will be extracted by the MocapXtractPro. The explanation on the features has been discussed in **section 3.5.1**.

RShoulder		ROuterElbow				RWristThumb			
X13	Y13	Z13	X14	Y14	Z14	X15	Y15	Z15	
-231.03	1406.562	1078.897	-245.976	1099.623	957.4944	-280.18	851.4525	1012.842	
-231.488	1405.051	1078.051	-244.032	1098.576	955.9617	-277.183	850.1851	1012.28	
-231.042	1404.716	1076.69	-242.984	1098.024	953.7708	-278.837	850.0246	1010.96	
-230.786	1404.767	1074.813	-243.709	1097.557	952.5363	-280.341	849.5171	1009.069	
-230.909	1404.737	1073.292	-243.456	1096.785	951.2424	-282.671	849.6297	1006.97	
-230.605	1404.7	1071.49	-242.188	1097.075	948.7084	-284.739	849.902	1005.448	
-231.435	1403.164	1070.261	-240.478	1097.939	943.9708	-288.155	851.9878	1004.226	
-232.479	1402.088	1070.271	-236.361	1099.949	934.2545	-294.175	858.0735	1005.398	
-233.876	1401.29	1070.157	-231.681	1103.978	922.0927	-301.92	869.0364	1008.129	
-233.458	1400.963	1068.424	-227.356	1108.265	910.8951	-310.792	884.1053	1012.172	
-232.606	1398.922	1065.993	-223.215	1110.316	902.5789	-317.65	897.7108	1016.628	
-231.539	1393.701	1062.409	-218.651	1106.817	896.5035	-325.184	907.1672	1020.878	
-232.654	1383.287	1058.956	-211.346	1097.053	891.3649	-331.845	912.2952	1023.657	
-233.924	1365.164	1057.053	-200.95	1081.057	885.6587	-337.884	915.7652	1022.977	
-232.517	1340.857	1056.722	-187.357	1062.306	881.0885	-345.972	921.7078	1017.915	
-231.699	1318.557	1066.059	-184.434	1049.763	877.3214	-360.206	942.8767	1013.134	
-228.352	1308.358	1085.58	-210.157	1053.23	880.9996	-386.187	980.7575	1027.155	
-215.358	1309.84	1113.866	-276.972	1069.171	905.5618	-422.324	1043.3	1088.98	
-191.797	1321.939	1145.257	-366.596	1105.275	981.3774	-432.121	1128.912	1203.948	
-164.192	1330.818	1172.55	-436.662	1169.775	1122.92	-379.065	1213.296	1345.81	
-141.631	1332.278	1192.433	-423.396	1270.74	1295.429	-261.88	1281.422	1469.605	
-117.19	1333.482	1203.326	-328.94	1348.468	1402.415	-114.853	1318.94	1531.631	
-97.3225	1334.543	1210.553	-263.073	1354.419	1447.982	-32.33	1329.824	1545.082	
-91.3045	1337.212	1223.149	-244.321	1327.93	1473.621	-3.40727	1330.633	1546.792	
-86.9576	1338.477	1231.283	-243.505	1307.78	1481.154	-5.19023	1330.885	1551.562	
-88.2195	1340.314	1233.523	-250.391	1306.036	1479.091	-16.9465	1330.076	1558.867	
-91.0642	1343.396	1234.466	-260.607	1310.557	1474.978	-30.1284	1331.799	1562.513	
-97.3978	1347.096	1231.819	-276.365	1315.033	1466.986	-46.1094	1333.953	1562.107	
-108.129	1351.522	1227.483	-296.655	1314.224	1454.014	-73.4508	1337.501	1558.574	
-118.877	1356.521	1222.484	-321.526	1305.547	1437.359	-107.533	1338.304	1552.999	
-130.186	1362.292	1215.8	-348.207	1289.343	1414.652	-143.34	1332.11	1546.657	
-143.234	1367.802	1208.196	-374.364	1266.803	1385.332	-183.904	1321.94	1531.669	
-157.614	1373.856	1198.743	-396.415	1235.949	1347.594	-225.138	1306.201	1508.677	
-172.812	1379.923	1186.908	-408.643	1199.571	1299.79	-264.803	1283.102	1477.961	
-187.855	1383.795	1172.447	-410.549	1161.215	1242.783	-299.206	1253.638	1438.569	
-203.315	1386.922	1157.012	-398.827	1128.135	1180.157	-327.516	1220.549	1392.226	
-215.965	1392.401	1137.902	-372.87	1102.425	1113.866	-345.608	1183.113	1340.188	
-227.618	1395.896	1120.527	-338.41	1089.391	1050.416	-352.56	1144.731	1285.759	
-235.351	1398.3	1103.58	-297.761	1087.936	993.256	-349.486	1108.033	1230.935	
-244.279	1399.605	1091.421	-259.099	1096.142	948.5204	-340.823	1076.943	1178.161	
-251.043	1397.886	1080.242	-227.432	1107.197	916.5547	-327.088	1048.83	1133.018	
-255.115	1395.997	1068.326	-203.235	1116.629	895.5328	-322.854	1033.766	1090.09	
-257.249	1393.448	1058.301	-187.016	1124.085	879.1557	-308.195	1019.38	1065.899	
-259.257	1390.391	1050.442	-176.028	1130.646	865.8133	-298.814	1013.309	1044.81	
-261.643	1388.293	1045.121	-171.493	1135.245	856.4137	-292.602	1010.564	1027.156	

Sample of content extracted by MocapXtractPro

Figure 3.8 Sample of Content Used by MocapXtractPro for its Calculation

### 3.9 Summary

Throughout this chapter, the methodology of this research is discussed in detail. The *content-based retrieval* system of this study is based on the method introduced by Kovar and Gleicher (2004). In term of knowledge contribution, this study has applied the *content-based retrieval* system to the sport science domain. Kovar and Gleicher (2004) made studies to solve the 3D animators problem in reusing existing motion capture clips for creating new motions of motion synthesis. This research was done to improve the analysis process to aid in coaching and improving “silat olahraga” athletes in particular or virtually any form of sport in general.

The system flow for MocapXtractPro *search* and *retrieving* system has been laid out in detail so that further discussion can be made to improve the outcome of this research. The basic design of MocapXtractPro prototype discussion in this chapter also helps to make the implementation process which will be discussed in the next chapter. The implementation of MocapXtractPro will significantly reduce the *searching* and *retrieving* time of *motion capture* files thus improving the efficiency of a biomechanics archiving system.

## CHAPTER 4

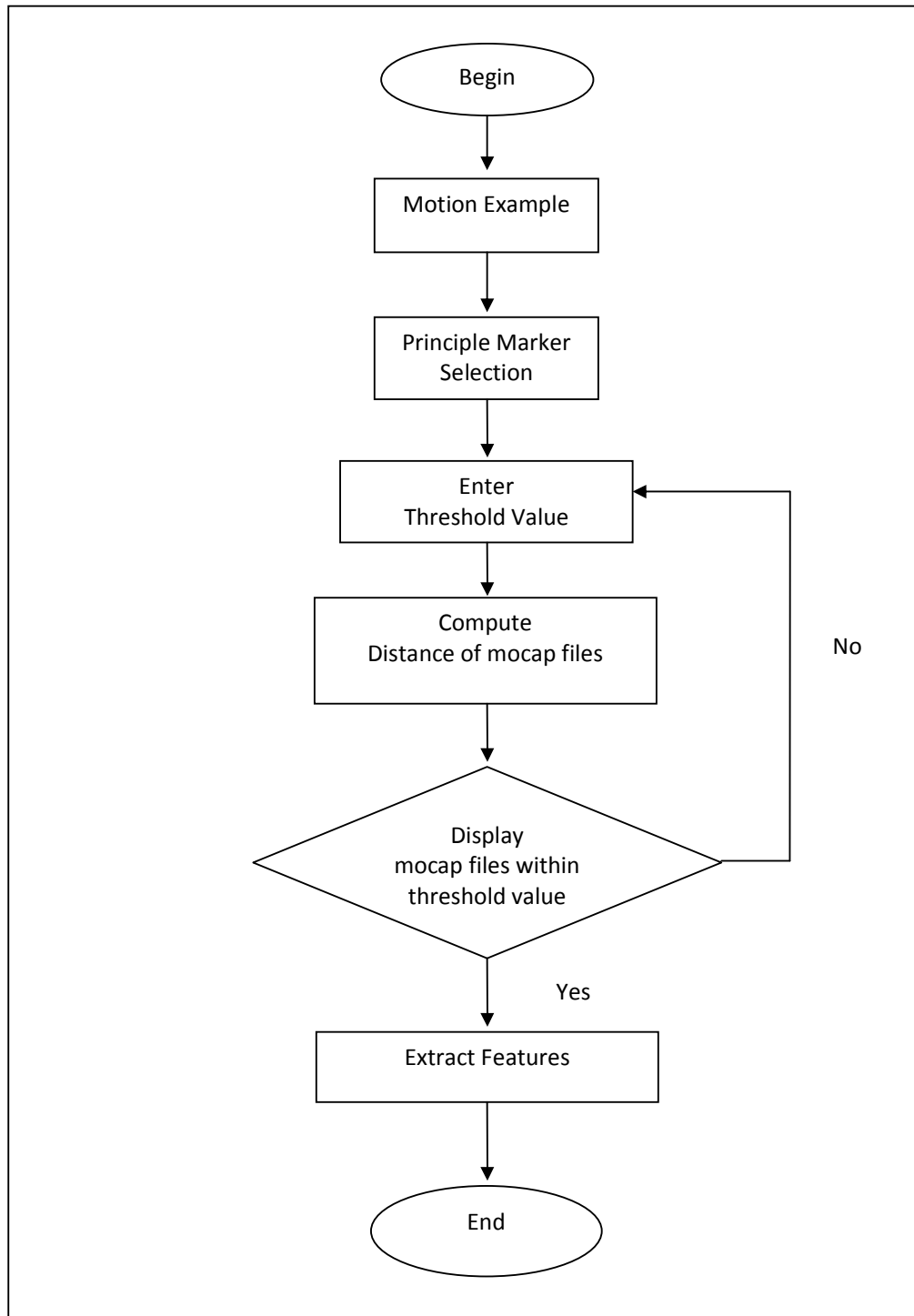
### IMPLEMENTATION AND RESULTS

#### 4.1 Development of Prototype

The MocapXtractPro prototype is developed in order to test the efficiency of the *search* and *extraction* of *motion capture* data based on the proposed method of *content-base retrieval*. This is done also to meet the third objective of this research which is to test in order to measure the effectiveness of the developed system in term of the accuracy of the file extraction and its' speed. A user friendly interface is designed to get the user easy access to the motion capture library at hand.

## 4.2 User Interface

A user friendly User Interface is designed for the users to easily make motion capture queries. It enables the user to browse and select the sample motion segment for the queries and displays the result for the motion match. The **MocapXtractPro** and the function of the relevant buttons within the UI are shown in **Appendix C**.



**Figure 4.1 Biomechanics Data Extraction Algorithm**

### 4.3 Implementation of the Biomechanics Data Extraction

**Figure 4.1** above is the algorithm for the MocapXtractPro program and the explanations on it are as follows:

#### 4.3.1 Motion Example

The function of *content-based retrieval* is to extract information of files based on its content. For this particular system, the extraction of files is made based on the query where an example *motion capture* file is used as a reference to find other matching motion sequence in the database.

#### 4.3.2 Principle Marker Selection

The user needs to specify the principle marker based on the best marker to explain the variability seen in a database.

#### 4.3.3 Enter Threshold Value

The user enters a threshold value to locate similar motion files. This works the same as a normal search function where the user can change the search criteria to get a more refined result.

#### 4.3.4 Compute Distance of Mocap Files

The main task of the operation is to do the *center of motion* calculation and compare the distance value of all the motion segments in the database with the sample motion provided by the user.

Formula: 
$$P = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n P_i$$

Where,

$P$  - center of motion

$n$  - number of frames

For example please refer to **Table 4.1**:

**Table 4.1 A Simple Motion Segment Example**

Motion segment 1					
Frame No.	1	2	3	4	5
Coordinate $x$	0	1	3	5	6
Coordinate $y$	1	3	3.5	4	4.5
Coordinate $z$	2	2	2.5	3	3.5

The center of motion for **motion segment 1** is

$$\text{Coordinate } x = \frac{0+1+3+5+6}{5} = 15$$

$$\text{Coordinate } y = \frac{1+3+3.5+4+4.5}{5} = 16$$

$$\text{Coordinate } z = \frac{2+2+2.5+3+3.5}{5} = 13$$

Center of motion for **motion segment 1** = (15, 16, 13)

The distance between all the motion files in the database with the sample motion file is calculated using Euclidean Distance model. Euclidean distance or simply 'distance' examines the root of square differences between coordinates of a pair of objects.

$$\text{Formula: } d = \sqrt{(M_q - M_i)^2}$$

Where,

$M_q$  - input for motion sample

$M_i$  - input for motion segment in database

For example please refer to **Table 4.2**:

Master Kick is the sample motion file and

Right Foot Kick is the motion segment in the motion capture database

**Table 4.2 Center of Motion Example**

Center of Motion			
	X	y	z
Master Kick	275	1162	1099
RightFootKick	291	1231	1037

$$d = \sqrt{(275-291)^2 + (1162-1231)^2 + (1099-1037)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{256 + 4761 + 3844}$$

$$= 94.13288$$

### 4.3.5 Display Mocap Files Within Threshold Value

Once all the distance measurement between the sample motion and all the motion segments in the database has been computed, the system will display the motion files that matches ( $d \leq t$ ) with the threshold value entered by the user. The user can choose to enter a new threshold value and run the distance calculation again or go to the final step.

### 4.3.6 Extract Features

If and when the user is satisfied with the outcome of the motion capture file search result, he can execute the final step where the system extracts the feature (coordinates of the principle marker) into a temporary database.

## 4.4 Implementation Summary

This chapter discussed the operational framework for development of biomechanics data *search and extraction* task. It explains the use of *content-based retrieval* method introduced by Kovar and Gleicher (2004). Also mentioned in this chapter is the use of principle marker selection which enables the user to determine the type of behavior of a particular motion to be included as another criterion in his search. The process of motion file *search and extraction* is also discussed in detail from the algorithm developed from this research. The implementation of the **MocapXtractPro** prototype is completed according to the system design and methodology discussed in **Chapter 3** using visual basic programming. Alas matching motion segments in TRC file format can now be extracted from the motion library. The next step now is to test the prototype for its efficiency of *searching* and *extracting* motion capture files.

## 4.5 Experimental testing

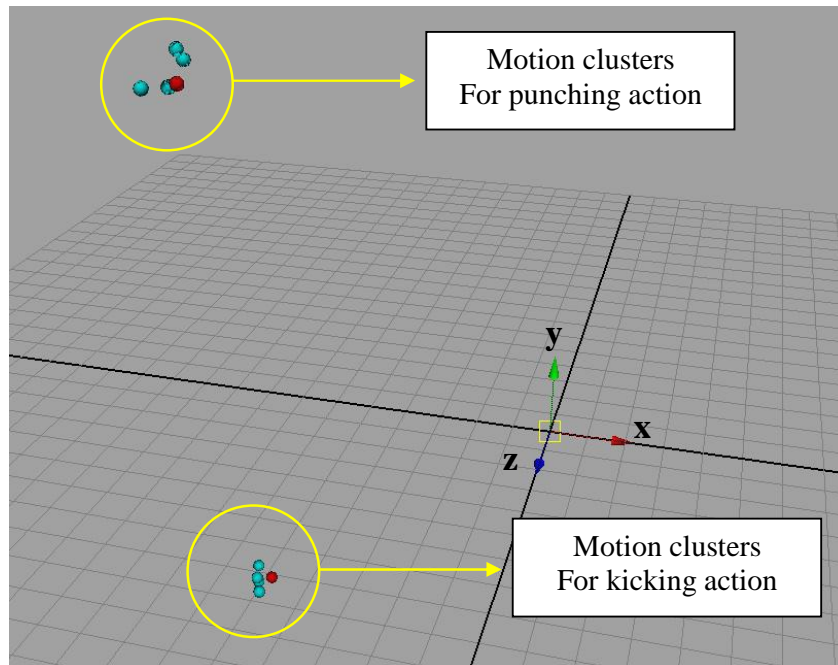
After the implementation of the algorithm is successfully implemented, a series of test is conducted on MocapXtractPro prototype. The test is done to determine the efficiency and accuracy of the system in retrieving matching *motion capture* files. This test is done also to prove that the method used in solving the research problem is sufficient. In all of the experiments for this study were done with the threshold  $t$  value of 100.

## 4.6 Preparation for Data Testing

The *motion capture* files used for this experiment were manually segmented into 16 (sixteen) individual files consisting of 45 frames of motion sequence each sampled at 30 frames per second. The motion consists of simple “silat olahraga” moves divided into four categories which includes punching, elbowing maneuver, kicking and knee attack. Each category has four different files representing four different performers. All experiments were run on a machine with 0.97GB of RAM and 3.20 GHz processor. The reasons why all the samples in the database are segmented into only 45 frames are:

- i) Because all the movement recorded consists of fast and direct motions, and 45 frames are observed as the average number of frames recorded for all motions in this experiment.
- ii) The main focus for this study is to evaluate the performance of the NC algorithm as a simple method to identify similar motions in a motion capture library.

From the experiments done, clusters of center of motion for all the motion clips form in respect to their principle marker selection. **Figure 4.2** shows the motion center clusters for punching and kicking action with respect of their principle marker selections. The master files or motion example is indicated by the red dots while the matching clips are indicated by the blue dots. **Figure 4.2** is a screen shot from a 3D animation software Alias Maya. The clusters shown are within the threshold  $t$  value set at 100.



**Figure 4.2** Clusters of center of motion in 3D space

## 4.7 The Results of Experimental Data Extraction

**Table 4.3** shows the result of data extraction using the punching motion example. The extraction time is 0.25s and the system extracted 8 similar motion files. The analysis of the experiment is shown in **Figure 4.3** and **Table 4.4**. It shows the distance of extracted motion match against the example motion when maximum distance was set at 100. From this result, it clearly shows that the range of motion between punching motion and elbowing maneuver are extremely close or similar.

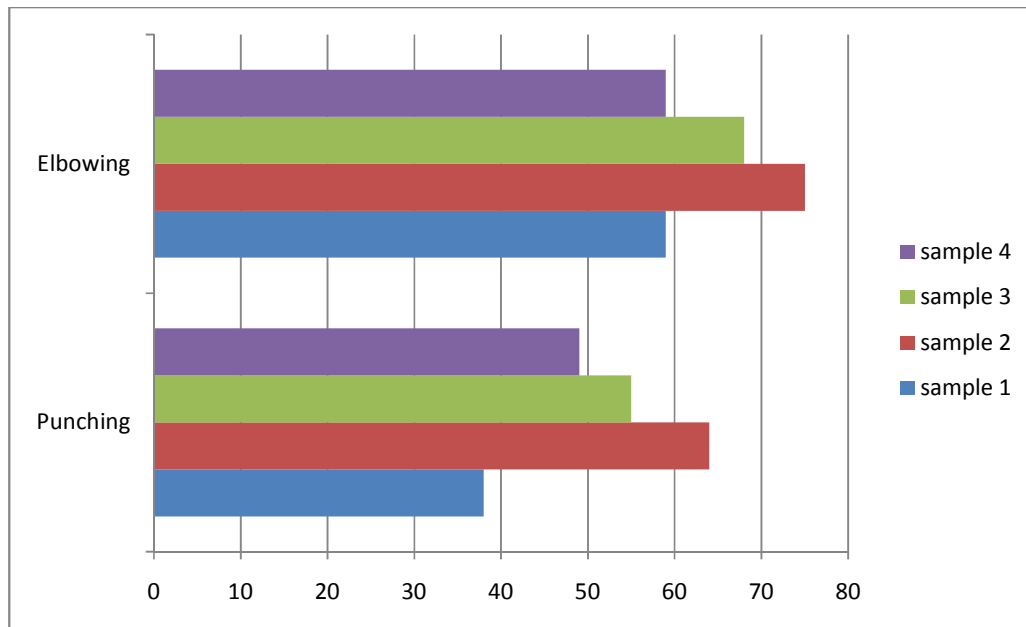
Based on observation, the reason for this situation is due to the selection of the *principle markers*. The placements of both the wrist and elbow markers are very close together and the nature of motion affects the result of the distance calculation. The same applies to kicking and knee attack motions. This is consistent with most human motions for example it is not easy to identify between running motions with walking motions based only on the markers coordinates. If the user decides to lower the threshold value, the result will eventually return to only of the punching motion. In **Chapter 3**, this research also suggested an enhancement of the search criteria into extracting the closest match. If the user were to do this, the result would definitely return RightHandPunch\_1.trc (punching sample 1) since it is the closest to the model/example file. This might be useful if the user wants to find the same class of motion done by the same actor for instance.

**Table 4.3 File Extraction result**

	Number of file extracted	Number of Successful match files	Number of failure %
<b>Punch</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Elbow</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Knee</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>50%</b>
<b>Kick</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0%</b>

**Table 4.4 Motion Extraction Figures**

	sample 1	sample 2	sample 3	sample 4
<b>Punching</b>	38	64	55	49
<b>Elbowing</b>	59	75	68	59

**Figure 4.3 Motion Extraction Chart**

The time recorded for the system to extract the matching file time are almost interactive. However, the time range of file extraction might increase if the total number of motion segments in the motion library also increases. From the result recorded on **table 4.1** shows that 100% of matching file were successfully extracted for punching, elbow and kicking motions.

#### 4.7 Summary

From the experiment conducted on the MocapXtractPro prototype clearly this system has the potential to significantly reduce the time for searching and extracting biomechanics data in a motion library. This can help improve the efficiency of analysis on the training of “silat olahraga”. Comparison on the athlete performance can be done more efficiently with the *searching* and *extraction* significantly reduced. However from the experiment conducted, several weaknesses on the MocapXtractPro prototype have been identified. The first weakness identified is the application of the NC algorithm itself. In this experiment, all the motion samples were manually segmented into equal number of frames to simplify the data management and observations but in an actual motion library, the parameters of the motions might not be so uniformed. The motion data might consists of many more categories of performers such as in term of genders, height, weight, age etc. This would definitely yield in different result when the NC algorithm is applied to find matching files.

## CHAPTER 5

### CONCLUSION

#### 5.1 Introduction

This research has successfully developed an automated *search* and *retrieval* system of *motion capture data*. The prototype of this system is called MocapXtractPro. With the development of this system, the *search* and *retrieval* process which are usually done by hand sequencing or by manually browsing through the motion library to find matching files is now automated. The system uses the *content-based retrieval* and *query by example* approach introduced by Kovar and Gleicher (2004). This research has applied the NC algorithm as a method to find a close match to the query example provided by the user. Finding a matching motion clips can be made faster for analysis purposes in sport science. In fact it can also be applied to other application such as animation. This helps the monitoring of an athletes' progress after a particular training session to improve their performance.

## 5.2 A Summary of Work

In this particular research, the following have been done:

- i. *Content-based retrieval* has been applied in searching and retrieval of biomechanics data in the field of sport science.
- ii. NC algorithm is applied to find matching motion files
- iii. Conduct experiments by using “silat olahraga” motion samples representing a motion capture file library.
- iv. Test and evaluate the performance of biomechanics data extraction algorithm.
- v. Results analysis and discussion based on the results obtained in the experiment.

## 5.3 Future Works

From the experiments done and discussed in **Chapter 4**, the performance of this *search* and *retrieval* system for biomechanics data can be improved. This research assessed the NC algorithm to find similar or matching motion capture files in a database. The algorithm and method proposed proved that it is possible to automate a similar motion search. However, due to the fact that motion capture files have no industry wide standard format, a few adjustments has to be done when dealing with any different mocap format. Writing different search and extraction programs for every file format would be futile. Instead, maybe a standard motion

capture file format should be introduced. With the introduction of a standard mocap file format, this might make it possible to have a consistent and optimum threshold value. Another possible future research can be done to automate the process of motion segmentation. Manual motion segmentation is time consuming and might not work for every application. This useful since motion databases are growing rapidly because of its' wide range of applications.

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## APPENDIX A

### A sample of TRC data

PathFileType	4	(X/Y/Z) Kaydara						
DataRate	CameraRate	NumFrames	NumMarkers	Units	OrigDataRate			
		OrigDataStartFrame	OrigNumFrames					
30	30	45	33	mm	30	51	45	
Frame#	Time	LFrontHead			RFrontHead			LBackHead
		X1	Y1	Z1	X2	Y2	Z2	X3
1	1.667	-18.69157	1615.22537		1110.86693		-137.03634	
		1600.35156	1053.84575	35.35489				
2	1.7	-13.99416	1616.12		1113.77762		-131.80346	
		1601.71478	1056.86386	40.15768				
3	1.733	-8.38547	1616.4212		1115.6765		-125.3895	
		1602.36603	1058.14705	46.61876				
4	1.767	1.31734	1615.97931		1116.95		-116.41677	
		1601.06842	1059.24195	55.69662				

5	1.8	13.32421	1615.84412	1119.01123	-104.48053	
		1601.55136	1062.10449	66.26871		
6	1.833	27.25081	1616.11618	1121.00914	-90.06212	
		1600.84778	1064.49211	79.40887		
7	1.867	42.66023	1616.7952	1123.09258	-75.16958	
		1602.47299	1066.549	94.77948		
8	1.9	57.45111	1619.7934	1126.41907	-59.85765	1604.0889
		1068.97537	110.48658			
9	1.933	69.44515	1621.7955	1129.72313	-46.42279	
		1605.15274	1071.9236	125.62355		
10	1.967	78.37519	1624.28284	1135.10582	-37.56127	
		1604.92218	1077.03003	135.23796		
11	2	81.40879	1625.35507	1143.26737	-33.41862	
		1605.31464	1083.84499	141.29726		
12	2.033	81.95178	1624.61884	1155.35866	-32.29599	
		1603.74329	1094.10332	144.11227		
13	2.067	75.67309	1621.71005	1171.01479	-36.30689	1600.0499
		1106.83533	142.62744			
14	2.1	69.25113	1618.311	1185.5764	-41.51485	
		1595.93643	1120.92713	138.80916		
15	2.133	66.56529	1616.35773	1198.14453	-45.17535	
		1593.48663	1133.35816	134.64694		
16	2.167	63.92297	1617.01248	1209.03557	-47.83008	1592.5705
		1145.34172	132.10496			
17	2.2	63.30836	1617.01111	1221.36864	-48.65219	1593.1218
		1157.73842	131.79669			
18	2.233	62.04387	1619.7908	1232.15813	-48.22303	
		1596.20255	1165.92484	133.59329		

19	2.267	63.67223	1626.35284	1232.16553	-46.08067	
	1601.87439	1163.42774	137.95707			
20	2.3	67.43394	1636.60492	1215.66887	-38.27477	
	1609.78409	1144.67491	148.43502			
21	2.333	74.72768	1647.1257	1191.75659	-29.27858	
	1617.47955	1119.24706	159.16101			
22	2.367	84.09935	1653.33771	1163.9486	-19.24614	
	1622.22595	1089.97216	170.73741			
23	2.4	92.09909	1655.13672	1132.60941	-9.24478	
	1622.89246	1059.33861	180.32698			
24	2.433	104.37103	1655.3241	1097.13761	-1.5923	1621.23077
	1029.9791	185.63463				
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			X16	Y16	Z16
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	-244.86721	940.44708	1131.09795		

## APPENDIX B

### Source code for MocapXtractPro

Option Explicit

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'*****
'*****
' modTest
' Description:
' This module contains the main test function that run through all
the tests.
' It also contains the test functions for each function for the
component.
'*****
'*****

'*****
'*****
' Enum and constant section
' (add all enums and constants here)
'*****
'*****

Private Const mstrMOD_NAME As String = "modProcess"

Private Const DB_PATH As String = "Data.mdb"
Private Const TBL_MATCH As String = "tblFile"
Private Const FLD_FILENAME As String = "FileName"
Private Const FLD_FRAMENO As String = "FrameNo"
Private Const FLD_X As String = "X"

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Private Const FLD_Y As String = "Y"
Private Const FLD_Z As String = "Z"
Private Const FLD_DSMEASURE As String = "DistanceMeasurement"

Public Const TYPE_CREATE = 1
Public Const TYPE_INSERT = 2

' Constants for input file delimiters and escape character
Public Const INFILE_ESC = "\"

Public Const DIR_FILES As String = "TRC"
Public Const LINE_HEADER As Integer = 4
Public Const LINE_DATA As Integer = 6
Public Const DEFAULT_SPACE As Integer = 2

Public Enum OPT_VALUES
    OPT_LWRIST = 1
    OPT_RWRIST = 2
    OPT_LELBOW = 3
    OPT_RELBOW = 4
    OPT_LTOE = 5
    OPT_RTOE = 6
End Enum

Public Enum SRCH_CRITERIA
    SRCH_INWORDS = 0
    SRCH_SPACE = 1
    SRCH_START_POS = 2
    ' SRCH_POS = 3
    SRCH_START_X_POS = 3
    SRCH_START_Y_POS = 4
    SRCH_START_Z_POS = 5
    SRCH_X_POS = 6
    SRCH_Y_POS = 7
    SRCH_Z_POS = 8
End Enum

Private Type TRCInfo
    sngXValue As Single
    sngYValue As Single
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    sngZValue As Single
End Type

Private Type TRCsInfo
    strFileName As String
    sngMeanX As Single
    sngMeanY As Single
    sngMeanZ As Single
    lngTotalFrame As Long
    boolIsMatch As Boolean
    atypTRCs() As TRCInfo
End Type

Public Type TblFld
    Name As String
    Type As String
End Type

'*****
'*****
' Variable declaration section
' (add all variables declaration here)
'*****
'*****

Private mtypMasterTRC As TRCsInfo
Private matypTRC() As TRCsInfo

'*****
'*****
' Function : SearchMatchingFile
'           - returns:
' Purpose   :

' Modified :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****

Public Function SearchMatchingFile(ByVal strMasterFilePath, ByVal
strOption As String) _

    As Long

    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "SearchMatchingFile"

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On Error GoTo ErrHandler

Dim strMatchedItem As String

Call MapItems(strOption, strMatchedItem)

If strMatchedItem = "" Then
    MsgBox "No matched item", vbExclamation
    Exit Function
End If

If Dir(strMasterFilePath) = "" Then
    MsgBox "File: " & strMasterFilePath & " not found",
vbExclamation
    Exit Function
End If

Call AnalystMasterTRC(strMasterFilePath, strMatchedItem)
Call AnalystTRCs(strMatchedItem)

Call AnalystProcess

Exit Function
ErrorHandler:
    SearchMatchingFile = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : AnalystMasterTRC
'           - returns
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes     :
'*****
'*****

Private Function AnalystMasterTRC(ByVal strPath As String, ByVal
strItem As String) As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "AnalystMasterTRC"
    Const PROCESS_TYPE As String = "Master"

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    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    mtypMasterTRC.strFileName = Mid(strPath, InStrRev(strPath,
INFILE_ESC) + 1)

    Call ProcessFile(strPath, strItem, PROCESS_TYPE)

    Exit Function
ErrorHandler:
    AnalystMasterTRC = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : AnalystTRCs
'           - returns
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****

Private Function AnalystTRCs(ByVal strItem As String) As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "AnalystTRCs"
    Const PROCESS_TYPE As String = "TRC"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim objFSO As FileSystemObject
    Dim objFiles As Files
    Dim objFile As File
    Dim objFolder As Folder

    Dim strPath As String

    Set objFSO = New FileSystemObject

    On Error Resume Next
    Set objFolder = objFSO.GetFolder(App.Path & "\" & DIR_FILES)
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    If objFolder Is Nothing Then

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        MsgBox "Default TRC path not found", vbExclamation
    Exit Function
End If

On Error Resume Next
Set objFiles = objFolder.Files
On Error GoTo ErrHandler

If objFiles Is Nothing Then
    MsgBox "No TRC file", vbExclamation
    Exit Function
End If

For Each objFile In objFiles
    If Not objFile Is Nothing Then
        strPath = objFile.Path
        Call UpdateTRCFileNameProperty(strPath)
        Call ProcessFile(strPath, strItem, PROCESS_TYPE)
    End If
Next objFile

Exit Function
ErrHandler:
    AnalystTRCs = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : ProcessFile
'           - returns
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****

Private Function ProcessFile(ByVal strPath As String, ByVal strItem
As String, _
                                Optional ByVal strType As String) As
Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "ProcessFile"

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On Error GoTo ErrHandler

Dim objFSO As FileSystemObject
Dim txtStream As TextStream
Dim strLine As String
Dim lngMatchPos As Long
Dim lngCounter As Long

Set objFSO = New FileSystemObject
Set txtStream =
objFSO.GetFile(strPath).OpenAsTextStream(ForReading)

lngCounter = 0
If Not txtStream Is Nothing Then
    Do While txtStream.AtEndOfStream = False
        lngCounter = lngCounter + 1
        strLine = txtStream.ReadLine

        If lngCounter = LINE_HEADER Then
            Call ReadHeader(strLine, strItem, lngMatchPos)
        ElseIf lngCounter >= LINE_DATA Then
            Call ReadData(strLine, lngMatchPos, strType)
        End If

        DoEvents
    Loop
End If

Call txtStream.Close

Exit Function
ErrorHandler:
    ProcessFile = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description

End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : ReadHeader
'           - returns

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' Purpose :
' Modified :
' Notes :
'*****
'*****
Private Function ReadHeader(ByVal strContent As String, ByVal
strItem As String, _
                                ByRef lngFieldPos As Long) As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "ReadHeader"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim strData As String
    Dim strTemp As String
    Dim lngMatchPos As Long
    Dim lngSearchType As Long
    Dim i As Long

    strItem = "RBackHead"

    If Len(strContent) = 0 Then Exit Function

    strData = ""
    lngMatchPos = 0
    For i = 0 To Len(strContent)
        strTemp = Mid(strContent, i + 1, 1)
        ' 0 means still in a word
        If lngSearchType = SRCH_INWORDS Then
            If Not IsWhiteSpace(strTemp) Then
                strData = strData & strTemp
            Else
                If StrComp(Trim(strData), Trim(strItem), vbTextCompare)
= 0 Then
                    lngFieldPos = lngMatchPos

                    Debug.Print "match " & strData & " at pos:" &
lngMatchPos

                    Exit Function
                End If
                lngMatchPos = lngMatchPos + 1
                strData = ""
                lngSearchType = SRCH_SPACE

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        End If
    ' otherwise, means found whitespace
Else
    If Not IsWhiteSpace(strTemp) Then
        strData = strData & strTemp
        lngSearchType = SRCH_INWORDS
    End If
End If
Next i

Exit Function
ErrorHandler:
    ReadHeader = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : ReadData
'           - returns
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes     :
'*****
'*****

Private Function ReadData(ByVal strContent As String, ByVal
lngFieldPos As Long, _
                        ByVal strType As String) As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "ReadData"
    On Error GoTo ErrorHandler

    Dim strData As String
    Dim strTemp As String
    Dim lngPos As Long
    Dim lngSearchType As Long
    Dim i As Long

    If Len(strContent) = 0 Then Exit Function

    lngSearchType = SRCH_START_POS
    strData = ""

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lngPos = 0
For i = 0 To Len(strContent)
    strTemp = Mid(strContent, i + 1, 1)
    If lngSearchType = SRCH_START_POS Then
        If IsWhiteSpace(strTemp) Then
            lngPos = lngPos + 1
            If DEFAULT_SPACE = lngPos Then
                If lngFieldPos = lngPos Then
                    lngSearchType = SRCH_X_POS
                Else
                    lngSearchType = SRCH_START_X_POS
                End If
            End If
        End If
    ElseIf lngSearchType = SRCH_START_X_POS Then
        If IsWhiteSpace(strTemp) Then

            lngSearchType = SRCH_START_Y_POS
        End If
    ElseIf lngSearchType = SRCH_START_Y_POS Then
        If IsWhiteSpace(strTemp) Then

            lngSearchType = SRCH_START_Z_POS
        End If
    ElseIf lngSearchType = SRCH_START_Z_POS Then
        If IsWhiteSpace(strTemp) Then
            lngPos = lngPos + 1
            If lngFieldPos = lngPos Then
                lngSearchType = SRCH_X_POS
            Else
                lngSearchType = SRCH_START_X_POS
            End If
        End If
    ElseIf lngSearchType = SRCH_X_POS Then
        If Not IsWhiteSpace(strTemp) Then
            strData = strData & strTemp
        Else
            Debug.Print "X:" & strData
            Call UpdateProperty(strType, strData, "X")
            lngSearchType = SRCH_Y_POS
            strData = ""
        End If
    End If

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        End If
    ElseIf lngSearchType = SRCH_Y_POS Then
        If Not IsWhiteSpace(strTemp) Then
            strData = strData & strTemp
        Else
            '           Debug.Print "Y:" & strData
            Call UpdateProperty(strType, strData, "Y")
            lngSearchType = SRCH_Z_POS
            strData = ""
        End If
    ElseIf lngSearchType = SRCH_Z_POS Then
        If Not IsWhiteSpace(strTemp) Then
            strData = strData & strTemp
        Else
            '           Debug.Print "Z:" & strData
            Call UpdateProperty(strType, strData, "Z")
            Exit Function
        End If
    End If
Next i

Exit Function
ErrorHandler:
    ReadData = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : UpdateProperty
'           - returns
' Purpose   :

' Modified  :
' Notes     :
'*****
'*****

Private Function UpdateProperty(ByVal strType As String, ByVal
strData As String, _
                                ByVal strField As String) As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "UpdateProperty"

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On Error GoTo ErrHandler

Dim sngValue As Single

If UCase(strType) = UCase("Master") Then
    If IsNumeric(strData) Then
        sngValue = CSng(strData)
        Call UpdateMasterProperty(sngValue, strField)
    End If
ElseIf UCase(strType) = UCase("TRC") Then
    If IsNumeric(strData) Then
        sngValue = CSng(strData)
        Call UpdateTRCProperty(sngValue, strField)
    End If
End If

Exit Function
ErrorHandler:
    UpdateProperty = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : UpdateMasterProperty
'           - returns
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes     :
'*****
'*****

Private Function UpdateMasterProperty(ByVal sngValue As Single, _
                                      ByVal strField As String) As
Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "UpdateMasterProperty"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim lngUBound As Long

    With mtypMasterTRC
        On Error Resume Next

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lngUBound = UBound(.atypTRCs)
If Err.Number <> 0 Then
    lngUBound = -1
End If
On Error GoTo ErrHandler

If UCase("X") = UCase(strField) Then
    ReDim Preserve .atypTRCs(0 To (lngUBound + 1))

    .lngTotalFrame = .lngTotalFrame + 1
    With .atypTRCs(lngUBound + 1)
        .sngXValue = sngValue
    End With
ElseIf UCase("Y") = UCase(strField) Then
    With .atypTRCs(lngUBound)
        .sngYValue = sngValue
    End With
ElseIf UCase("Z") = UCase(strField) Then
    With .atypTRCs(lngUBound)
        .sngZValue = sngValue
    End With
End If
End With

Exit Function
ErrHandler:
    UpdateMasterProperty = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : UpdateTRCProperty
'           - returns
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes     :
'*****
'*****
Private Function UpdateTRCProperty(ByVal sngValue As Single, _

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ByVal strField As String) As
Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "UpdateTRCProperty"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim lngUBound As Long
    Dim lngInnerUBound As Long

    On Error Resume Next
    lngUBound = UBound(matypTRC)
    If Err.Number <> 0 Then Exit Function
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    With matypTRC(lngUBound)
        On Error Resume Next
        lngInnerUBound = UBound(.atypTRCs)
        If Err.Number <> 0 Then
            lngInnerUBound = -1
        End If
        On Error GoTo ErrHandler

        If UCase("X") = UCase(strField) Then
            ReDim Preserve .atypTRCs(0 To (lngInnerUBound + 1))

            .lngTotalFrame = .lngTotalFrame + 1
            With .atypTRCs(lngInnerUBound + 1)
                .sngXValue = sngValue
            End With
        ElseIf UCase("Y") = UCase(strField) Then
            With .atypTRCs(lngInnerUBound)
                .sngYValue = sngValue
            End With
        ElseIf UCase("Z") = UCase(strField) Then
            With .atypTRCs(lngInnerUBound)
                .sngZValue = sngValue
            End With
        End If
    End With

    Exit Function
ErrHandler:

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    UpdateTRCProperty = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : UpdateTRCFileNameProperty
' Purpose  :
' Modified :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****

Private Function UpdateTRCFileNameProperty(ByVal strPath As String)
As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "UpdateTRCFileNameProperty"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim lngUBound As Long

    On Error Resume Next
    lngUBound = UBound(matypTRC)
    If Err.Number <> 0 Then
        lngUBound = 0
        ReDim matypTRC(0 To lngUBound)
        Err.Clear
    Else
        lngUBound = lngUBound + 1
        ReDim Preserve matypTRC(0 To lngUBound)
    End If
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    With matypTRC(lngUBound)
        .strFileName = Mid(strPath, InStrRev(strPath, INFILE_ESC) + 1)
    End With

    Exit Function
ErrHandler:
    UpdateTRCFileNameProperty = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

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*****
*****
' Function : AnalystProcess
'           - returns
' Purpose  :

' Modified :
' Notes    :
*****
*****

Private Function AnalystProcess() As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "AnalystProcess"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Call CalcMasterMean
    Call CalcTRCMean

    Call CalcPCA
    Call ProduceMatchFiles

    Exit Function
ErrorHandler:
    AnalystProcess = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

*****
*****
' Function : CalcMasterMean
'           - returns
' Purpose  :
' Modified :
' Notes    :
*****
*****

Private Function CalcMasterMean() As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "CalcMasterMean"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim sngX As Single
    Dim sngY As Single

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Dim sngZ As Single
Dim lngUBound As Long
Dim lngCounter As Long
Dim i As Long

With mtypMasterTRC
    On Error Resume Next
    lngUBound = UBound(.atypTRCs)
    If Err.Number <> 0 Then
        MsgBox "Master file no data"
        Exit Function
    End If
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    For i = LBound(.atypTRCs) To UBound(.atypTRCs)
        With .atypTRCs(i)
            sngX = sngX + .sngXValue
            sngY = sngY + .sngYValue
            sngZ = sngZ + .sngZValue
            lngCounter = lngCounter + 1
        End With
    Next i

    If lngCounter > 0 Then
        .sngMeanX = sngX / lngCounter
        .sngMeanY = sngY / lngCounter
        .sngMeanZ = sngZ / lngCounter
    End If

End With

Exit Function
ErrHandler:
    CalcMasterMean = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : CalcTRCMean
'           - returns

```

```

' Purpose :
' Modified :
' Notes :
'*****
'*****
Private Function CalcTRCMean() As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "CalcTRCMean"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim sngX As Single
    Dim sngY As Single
    Dim sngZ As Single
    Dim lngUBound As Long
    Dim lngInnerUBound As Long
    Dim lngCounter As Long
    Dim i As Long
    Dim j As Long

    On Error Resume Next
    lngUBound = UBound(matypTRC)
    If Err.Number <> 0 Then
        MsgBox "Error with no data"
        Exit Function
    End If
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    For i = LBound(matypTRC) To UBound(matypTRC)
        With matypTRC(i)
            On Error Resume Next
            lngInnerUBound = UBound(.atypTRCs)
            If Err.Number = 0 Then
                On Error GoTo ErrHandler
                sngX = 0
                sngY = 0
                sngZ = 0
                lngCounter = 0
                For j = LBound(.atypTRCs) To UBound(.atypTRCs)
                    With .atypTRCs(j)
                        sngX = sngX + .sngXValue
                        sngY = sngY + .sngYValue
                        sngZ = sngZ + .sngZValue
                    End With
                Next j
            End If
        End With
    Next i
End Function

```

```

        lngCounter = lngCounter + 1
    End With
Next j

    If lngCounter > 0 Then
        .sngMeanX = sngX / lngCounter
        .sngMeanY = sngY / lngCounter
        .sngMeanZ = sngZ / lngCounter
    End If
Else
    Err.Clear
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler
End If
End With
Next i

Exit Function
ErrorHandler:
    CalcTRCMean = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : CalcPCA
'           - returns
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes     :
'*****
'*****

Private Function CalcPCA() As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "CalcPCA"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim sngMeanX As Single
    Dim sngMeanY As Single
    Dim sngMeanZ As Single
    Dim sngRes As Single
    Dim lngUBound As Long
    Dim i As Long

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With mtypMasterTRC
    sngMeanX = .sngMeanX
    sngMeanY = .sngMeanY
    sngMeanZ = .sngMeanZ
End With

'   Debug.Print "Mean Master(x,y,z): " & sngMeanX & ", " & sngMeanY
& ", " & sngMeanZ

On Error Resume Next
lngUBound = UBound(matypTRC)
If Err.Number <> 0 Then
    MsgBox "Error with no data"
    Exit Function
End If
On Error GoTo ErrHandler

For i = LBound(matypTRC) To UBound(matypTRC)
    sngRes = 0
    With matypTRC(i)
        sngRes = CalcDistanceMeasurement(sngMeanX, sngMeanY,
sngMeanZ, .sngMeanX, .sngMeanY, .sngMeanZ, 100)

'           Debug.Print "(" & .strFileName & "): " & .sngMeanX & ", "
& .sngMeanY & ", " & .sngMeanZ
'           Debug.Print "DS: " & sngRes

        If (sngRes > 0 And sngRes <= 1) Then
            .boolIsMatch = True
        Else
            .boolIsMatch = False
        End If
    End With
Next i

Exit Function
ErrHandler:
CalcPCA = -1
MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

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'*****
*****
' Function : CalcDistanceMeasurement
'           - returns
' Purpose  :
' Modified :
' Notes    :
'*****
*****
Private Function CalcDistanceMeasurement(ByVal sngXRef As Single,
ByVal sngYRef As Single, _
                                           ByVal sngZRef As Single,
ByVal sngX As Single, _
                                           ByVal sngY As Single,
ByVal sngZ As Single, _
                                           Optional ByVal lngDivider
As Long = 0) As Single
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "CalcDistanceMeasurement"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim sngRes As Single

    sngRes = Sqr(((sngXRef - sngX) ^ 2) + ((sngYRef - sngY) ^ 2) +
((sngZRef - sngZ) ^ 2))

    If lngDivider > 0 Then
        CalcDistanceMeasurement = sngRes / lngDivider
    Else
        CalcDistanceMeasurement = sngRes
    End If

    Exit Function
ErrHandler:
    CalcDistanceMeasurement = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
*****
' Function : ProduceMatchFiles

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'           - returns
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes    :
'*****
*****
Private Function ProduceMatchFiles() As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "ProduceMatchFiles"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim lngUBound As Long
    Dim i As Long

    On Error Resume Next
    lngUBound = UBound(matypTRC)
    If Err.Number <> 0 Then Exit Function
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    For i = LBound(matypTRC) To UBound(matypTRC)
        With matypTRC(i)
            If .boolIsMatch Then
                frmMain.lstFile.AddItem (.strFileName)
            End If
        End With
    Next i

    Exit Function
ErrHandler:
    ProduceMatchFiles = -1
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
*****
' Function : ExportFile
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes    :
'*****
*****

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Public Function ExportFile(Optional ByVal strExportPath As String)
As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "ExportFile"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim cnObj As ADODB.Connection
    Dim atypTblFld() As TblFld
    Dim strDBPath As String
    Dim strTblFld As String

    If strExportPath = "" Then
        strDBPath = App.Path & "\" & DB_PATH
    Else
        strDBPath = strExportPath & "\" & DB_PATH
    End If

    Set cnObj = CreateObject("ADODB.Connection")

    cnObj.Open "Provider=Microsoft.Jet.OLEDB.4.0;" & _
        "Data Source = " & strDBPath & ";"

    If TableExists(cnObj, TBL_MATCH) Then
        cnObj.Execute "DROP TABLE " & TBL_MATCH
    End If

    Call TableFieldGet(TBL_MATCH, atypTblFld())
    strTblFld = StringConvert(atypTblFld(), TYPE_CREATE)

    Call CreateTable(cnObj, TBL_MATCH, strTblFld)

    Call InsertDataM(cnObj, TBL_MATCH)

    Exit Function

ErrHandler:
    If Err.Number = -2147467259 Then
        MsgBox "Database do not exist"
        Exit Function
    End If
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
    ExportFile = -1

```

End Function

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'*****
'*****
' Function : InsertData
' Purpose  :
' Modified :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****
Private Function InsertData(ByVal cnObj As ADODB.Connection, _
                            ByVal strTblName As String) As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "InsertData"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim strSQL As String
    Dim strFileName As String
    Dim sngX As Single, sngY As Single, sngZ As Single
    Dim sngRes As Single
    Dim lngUBound As Long
    Dim lngInnerUBound As Long
    Dim lngCount As Long
    Dim i As Long, j As Long

    On Error Resume Next
    lngUBound = UBound(matypTRC)
    If Err.Number <> 0 Then Exit Function
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    For i = LBound(matypTRC) To UBound(matypTRC)
        With matypTRC(i)
            If .boolIsMatch Then
                On Error Resume Next
                lngInnerUBound = UBound(.atypTRCs)
                If Err.Number <> 0 Then Exit Function
                On Error GoTo ErrHandler

                sngX = .sngMeanX
                sngY = .sngMeanY
                sngZ = .sngMeanZ
                strFileName = .strFileName

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```

lngCount = 0
For j = LBound(.atypTRCs) To UBound(.atypTRCs)
  With .atypTRCs(j)
    lngCount = lngCount + 1
    sngRes = CalcDistanceMeasurement(sngX, sngY, sngZ,
-
                                .sngXValue, .sngYValue,
.sngZValue, 100)

    strSQL = "INSERT INTO " & strTblName & _
            " (" & FLD_FILENAME & ", " & FLD_FRAMENO
& ", " & FLD_X & ", " & _
            FLD_Y & ", " & FLD_Z & ", " &
FLD_DSMEASURE & ") Values " & _
            "(" & strFileName & ", " & lngCount &
", " & .sngXValue & _
            ", " & .sngYValue & ", " & .sngZValue &
", " & sngRes & ")"
    cnObj.Execute strSQL, , adCmdText
  End With
  DoEvents
Next j
End If
End With
Next i

Exit Function

ErrorHandler:
  MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
  InsertData = -1
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : InsertDataM
' Purpose :
' Modified :
' Notes :
'*****
'*****

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        sngY = .atypTRCs(j).sngYValue
        sngZ = .atypTRCs(j).sngZValue
    End With

    sngRes = CalcDistanceMeasurement(sngX, sngY, sngZ,
    -
        .sngXValue, .sngYValue,
    .sngZValue, 100)

    strSQL = "INSERT INTO " & strTblName & _
        " (" & FLD_FILENAME & ", " & FLD_FRAMENO
    & ", " & FLD_X & ", " & _
        FLD_Y & ", " & FLD_Z & ", " &
    FLD_DSMEASURE & ") Values " & _
        "(" & strFileName & ", " & lngCount &
    ", " & .sngXValue & _
        ", " & .sngYValue & ", " & .sngZValue &
    ", " & sngRes & ")"
    cnObj.Execute strSQL, , adCmdText
    End With
    DoEvents
Next j
End If
End With
Next i

Exit Function

ErrorHandler:
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
    InsertDataM = -1
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : TableExists
' Purpose :
' Modified :
' Notes :
'*****
'*****

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Private Function TableExists(ByVal cnObj As ADODB.Connection, _
                            ByVal strTblName As String) As Boolean
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "TableExists"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim rsObj As ADODB.Recordset

    Set rsObj = CreateObject("ADODB.Recordset")

    Set rsObj = cnObj.OpenSchema(adSchemaTables, _
                                Array(Empty, Empty, strTblName, Empty))

    Do Until rsObj.EOF
        If rsObj!table_name = strTblName Then
            TableExists = True
            rsObj.Close
            Set rsObj = Nothing
            Exit Function
        End If
        rsObj.MoveNext
    Loop

    rsObj.Close
    Set rsObj = Nothing

    TableExists = False
    Exit Function

ErrHandler:
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
    TableExists = False
End Function

Public Sub TableFieldGet(ByVal strTableType As String, ByRef
atypTblFld() As TblFld, _
                        Optional strInput As String)
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "TableFieldGet"
    On Local Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim vntFixFldNm As Variant
    Dim vntFixFldType As Variant

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Dim intIndex As Integer

Select Case strTableType
    Case TBL_MATCH
        vntFixFldNm = Array(FLD_FILENAME, FLD_FRAMENO, FLD_X, _
                            FLD_Y, FLD_Z, FLD_DSMEASURE)

        vntFixFldType = Array("Text (50)", "Integer", _
                               "Single", "Single", "Single",
                               "Single")
    End Select

ReDim atypTblFld(UBound(vntFixFldNm))

For intIndex = LBound(vntFixFldNm) To UBound(vntFixFldNm)
    atypTblFld(intIndex).Name = vntFixFldNm(intIndex)
    atypTblFld(intIndex).Type = vntFixFldType(intIndex)
    DoEvents
Next intIndex

Exit Sub

ErrorHandler:
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Sub

'*****
'*****
' Function : StringConvert
' Purpose  :
' Modified :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****

Public Function StringConvert(ByRef atypTblFld() As TblFld, ByVal
strType As String)
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "StringConvert"
    On Error GoTo ErrorHandler

    Dim intIndex As Integer
    Dim strFld As String

```

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Select Case strType
  Case TYPE_CREATE
    For intIndex = LBound(atypTblFld) To UBound(atypTblFld)
      strFld = strFld & "[" & _
        atypTblFld(intIndex).Name & _
        "]" " & atypTblFld(intIndex).Type
      If intIndex < UBound(atypTblFld) Then
        strFld = strFld + ", "
      End If
      DoEvents
    Next intIndex
    StringConvert = strFld

  Case TYPE_INSERT
    For intIndex = LBound(atypTblFld) To UBound(atypTblFld)
      strFld = strFld & "[" & _
        atypTblFld(intIndex).Name & "]"
      If intIndex < UBound(atypTblFld) Then
        strFld = strFld + ", "
      End If
      DoEvents
    Next intIndex
    StringConvert = strFld
End Select

Exit Function

ErrorHandler:
  MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : CreateTable
' Purpose  :
' Modified :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****

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Private Sub CreateTable(ByVal cnObj As ADODB.Connection, ByVal
strTblNm As String, _
                        ByVal strTblFld As String)
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "CreateTable"
    On Local Error GoTo ErrHandler

    cnObj.Execute "CREATE TABLE " & strTblNm & _
        "(" & strTblFld & ");", , adCmdText

    Exit Sub

ErrHandler:
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Sub

'*****
'*****
' Function : IsWhiteSpace
'           - strByte
'           A byte to check if it is a white space
'           - returns
'           True is it is a white space, False otherwise
' Purpose  : To check if a character is white space
' Modified :
' Notes    : - Space, and all characters before &H20 are considered
white space
'           - If more than 1 character is passed in, only the first
character
'           is checked
'*****
'*****
Private Function IsWhiteSpace(ByVal strByte As String) As Boolean
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "IsWhiteSpace"
    On Error GoTo ErrHandler

    Dim lngChar As Long

    lngChar = Asc(strByte)
    If lngChar <= &H20 Then IsWhiteSpace = True

    Exit Function

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ErrorHandler:
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
    IsWhiteSpace = False
End Function

'*****
'*****
' Function : ClearMasterProperty
' Purpose  :
' Modified :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****

Public Sub ClearMasterProperty()
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "ClearMasterProperty"
    On Error GoTo ErrorHandler

    With mtypMasterTRC
        .lngTotalFrame = 0
        .sngMeanX = 0
        .sngMeanY = 0
        .sngMeanZ = 0
        .strFileName = ""
        Erase .atypTRCs
    End With

    Exit Sub
ErrorHandler:
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Sub

'*****
'*****
' Function : ClearTRCProperty
' Purpose  :
' Modified :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****

Public Sub ClearTRCProperty()
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "ClearTRCProperty"

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On Error GoTo ErrHandler

Erase matypTRC

Exit Sub
ErrorHandler:
    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
End Sub

'*****
'*****
' Function : MapItems
'           - returns
' Purpose   :
' Modified  :
' Notes    :
'*****
'*****

Public Function MapItems(ByVal enuOption As OPT_VALUES, ByRef
strMatchedItem As String) As Long
    Const FUNC_NAME As String = "MapItems"

    On Error GoTo ErrorHandler

    Select Case enuOption
        Case OPT_LWRIST
            strMatchedItem = "LHand"
        Case OPT_RWRIST
            strMatchedItem = "RHand"
        Case OPT_LELBOW
            strMatchedItem = "LOuterElbow"
        Case OPT_RELBOW
            strMatchedItem = "ROuterElbow"
        Case OPT_LTOE
            strMatchedItem = "LToe"
        Case OPT_RTOE
            strMatchedItem = "RToe"
        Case Else
            strMatchedItem = ""
    End Select

```

```
Exit Function
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ErrorHandler:
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    ' Message box is fine for test function
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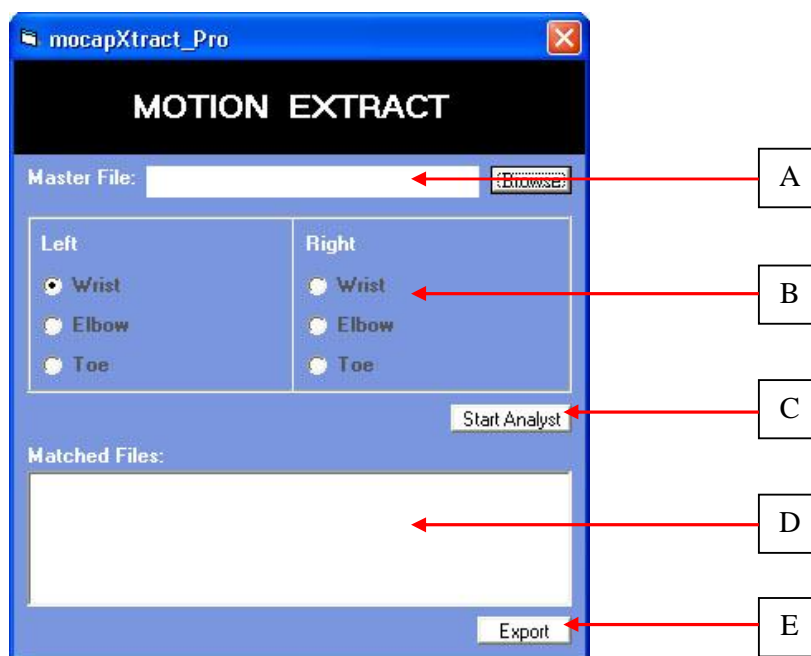
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    MsgBox mstrMOD_NAME & ":" & FUNC_NAME & ":" & Err.Description
```

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    MapItems = -1
```

```
End Function
```

## APPENDIX C

## MocapXtractPro User Interface



- |   |                             |  |
|---|-----------------------------|--|
| A | <b>Control Dialog</b>       | - Input location for the example motion segment        |
| B | <b>Option Button</b>        | - Principle marker selection                           |
| C | <b>Calculation Button</b>   | - Initiates the search and extraction process          |
| D | <b>Motion Match Display</b> | - The matching motion capture file are displayed here. |

- E     **Export Button**     - This button exports the extracted data into  
Microsoft     Access Database.

## Appendix D

### MocapXtractPro UI During Motion Extraction

