

EVALUATING THE DESIGN AND OPERATION OF COMPUTER MOUSE

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ABSTRACT

THE PRESENT STUDY IS PROCEEDED WITH AN EXPERIMENT TO INVESTIGATE THE DIFFERENCE UNDER DIFFERENT TASK TYPES (POINTING TASK AND DRAGGING TASK) IN MUSCULAR LOADS, FINGER STRENGTH, WORKING POSTURES, TASK PERFORMANCE AND SUBJECTIVE RATING WITH THE DIFFERENT HEIGHT, SIZE OF MOUSE, AND USING THE ARM SUPPORT OR NOT, THEN FIND THE MAIN REASON WHICH CAUSE THESE DIFFERENCES. THE OTHER IS TO EVALUATE THE INFLUENCE OF DESCRIBED RATING PERFORMANCES BETWEEN POINTING AND DRAGGING, WHICH ARE TWO KINDS OF ESSENTIAL MOTIONS WHEN USING A MOUSE, TO PERFORM A TASK WITH THE SAME CONTENT. AND TO DISCUSS THE DIFFERENCE OF PALM SIZE IN ADDITION, THEN INVESTIGATES THE SUITABLE TYPE FOR PEOPLE USE, IN ORDER TO REDUCE INJURIES TO USERS. THE RESULTS INDICATE THAT THE HEIGHT OF MOUSE ABOUT 3.5CM HAVE LEAST MUSCULAR LOADS ON ARMS AMONG THREE VARIOUS HEIGHT. DRAGGING TASK IS BIGGER THAN POINTING TASK ON FLEXOR DIGITORUM SUPERFICIALIS EMG SIGNALS AND FINGER STRENGTH, IT MEANS THAT PERFORMING TASK WITH DRAGGING BIGGER THAN POINTING ON ARMS MUSCULAR LOADS. AND USING ARM SUPPORT INSTEAD INCREASES THE PERFORMANCE TIME.

Keywords : MOUSE, ELECTROMYOGRAPHY (EMG), MUSCULAR LOAD, FINGER STRENGTH, WRIST DEVIATION

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