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(57) **ABSTRACT**

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A method and apparatus for quantifying differences in human sensorimotor performance useful for diagnosing,

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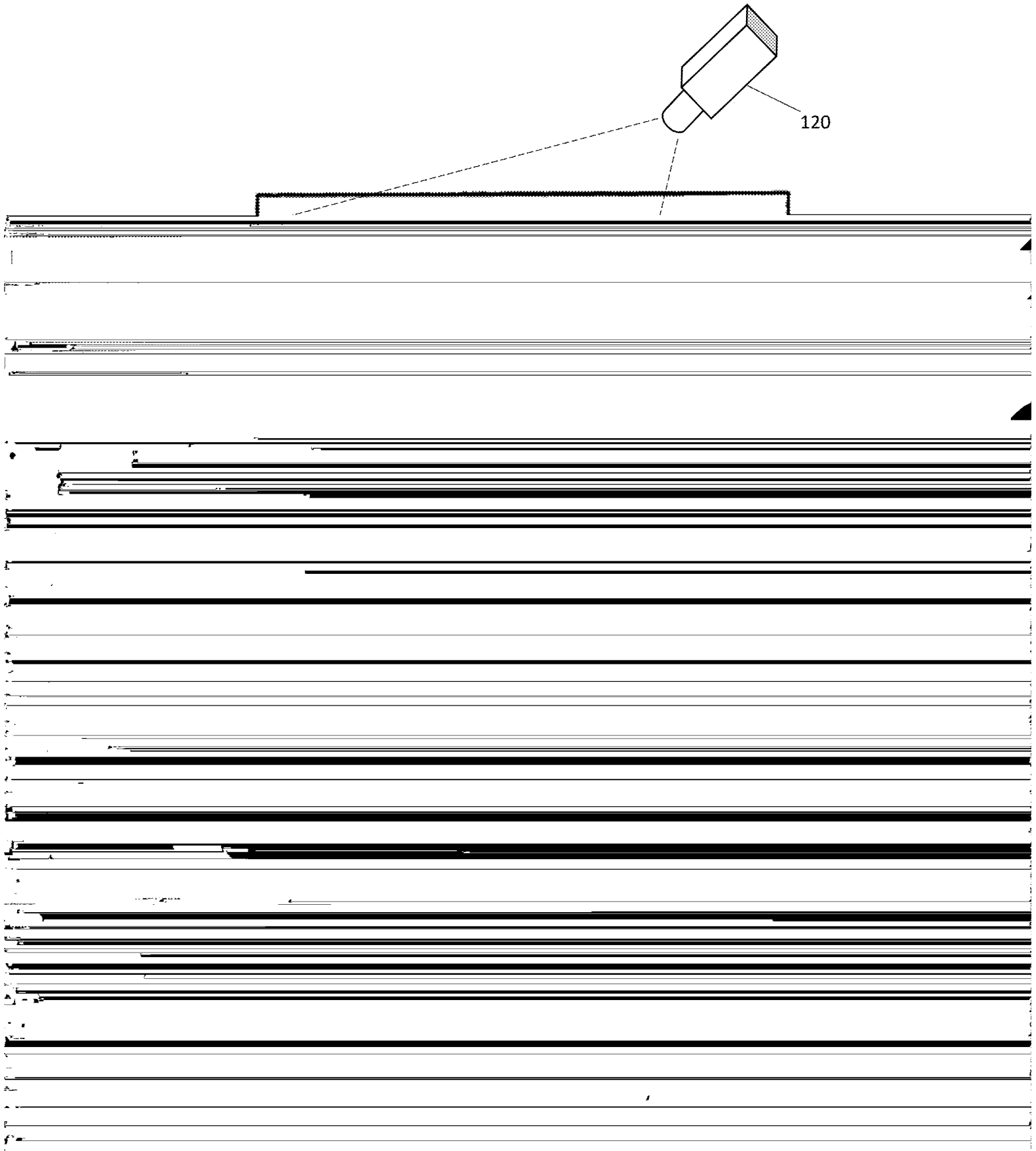
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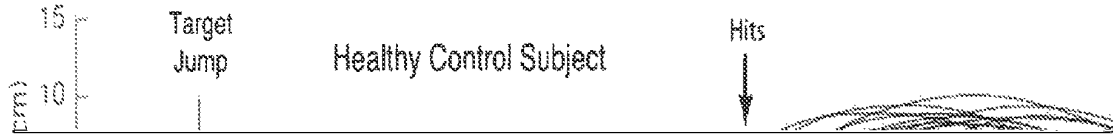
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A: Baseline Trial

■ B: Sensory Events

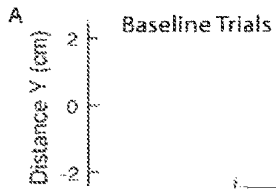


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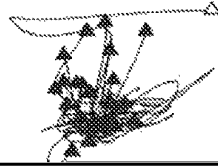
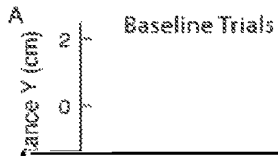


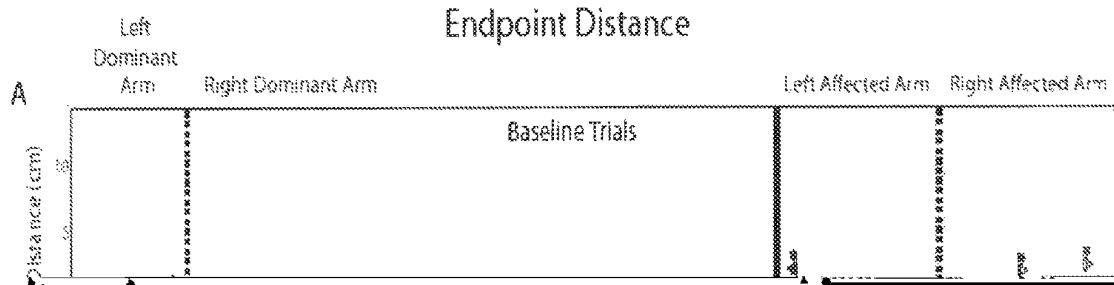
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Healthy Control Subject



Subject with Stroke





METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

100 ms leading to changes in limb motion in under 200 ms

PERFORMANCE

an eye takes 200 to 300 ms, it is very difficult for anyone to

RELATED APPLICATION

This application claims the benefit of the filing date of

5 by visual inspection.

Automated processes have been developed such as computer-based assessments. For example, CANTAB (Cam-

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accurate assessment of four different types of sensory feedback processing can quickly increase to 20 minutes for various patient groups.

Another problem is that subjects with poor motor abilities may be much slower and not follow a roughly direct path to the goal (Coderre et al., 2010). These substantial differences in non-perturbed reaching make it difficult to directly compare their motor corrections relative to healthy subjects that

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kinetic data of the limb or the at least one portion of the limb with respect to a presented object.

The method may comprise obtaining data relating to one or more autonomic functions of the subject.

The method may comprise presenting objects to the subject using virtual reality or augmented reality in two or three dimensions.

The method may comprise using a mechanical linkage to

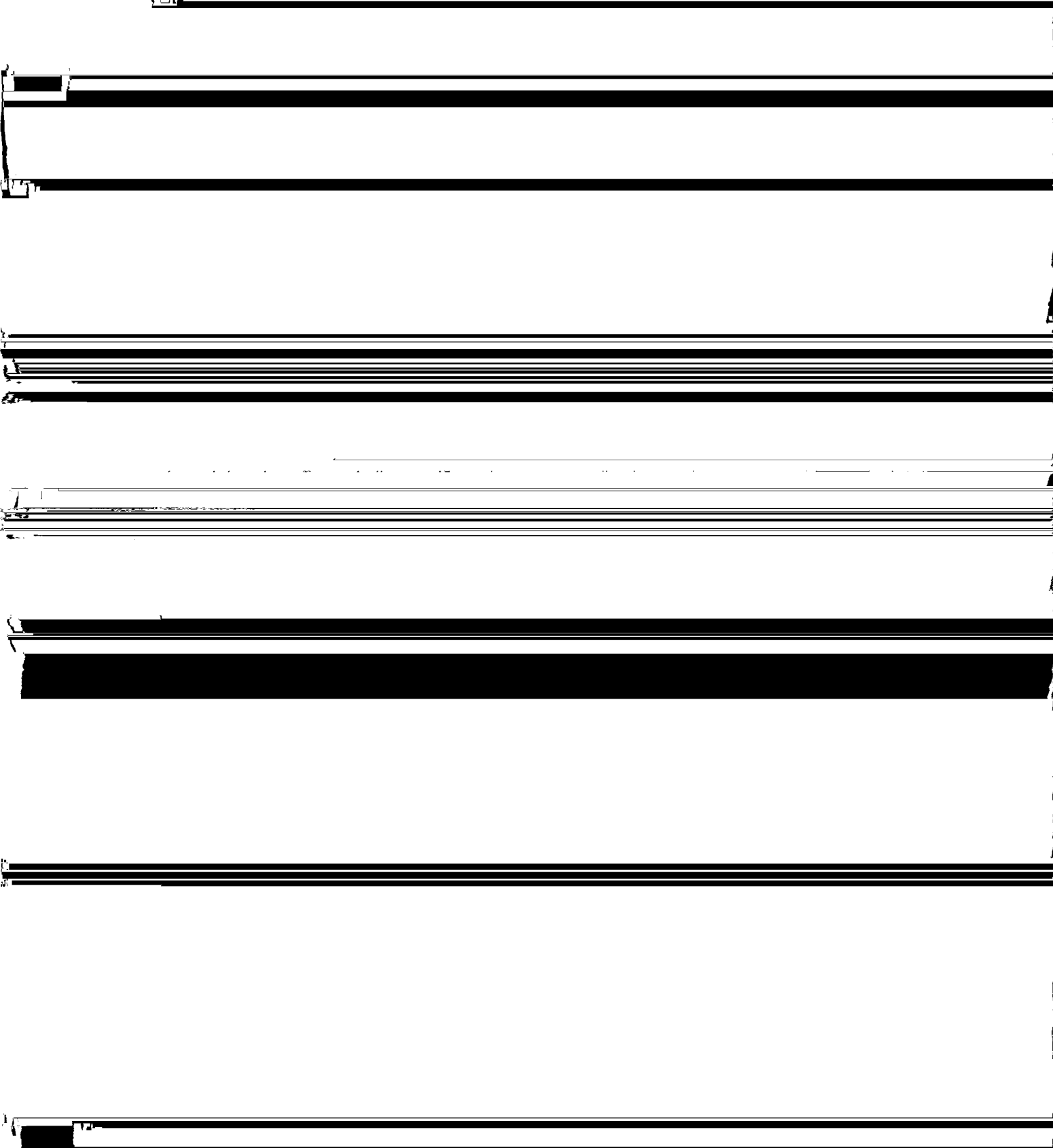
display a stereotypical bell-shaped velocity profile and move relatively straight to the spatial goal (Morasso 1981; Sergio and Scott, 1999). Simple postural tasks have been used to

obtain position data and/or motion data and/or kinetic data of the limb or the at least one portion of the limb.

The method may comprise using a motion tracking sys-

In order to show more clearly the invention and how it

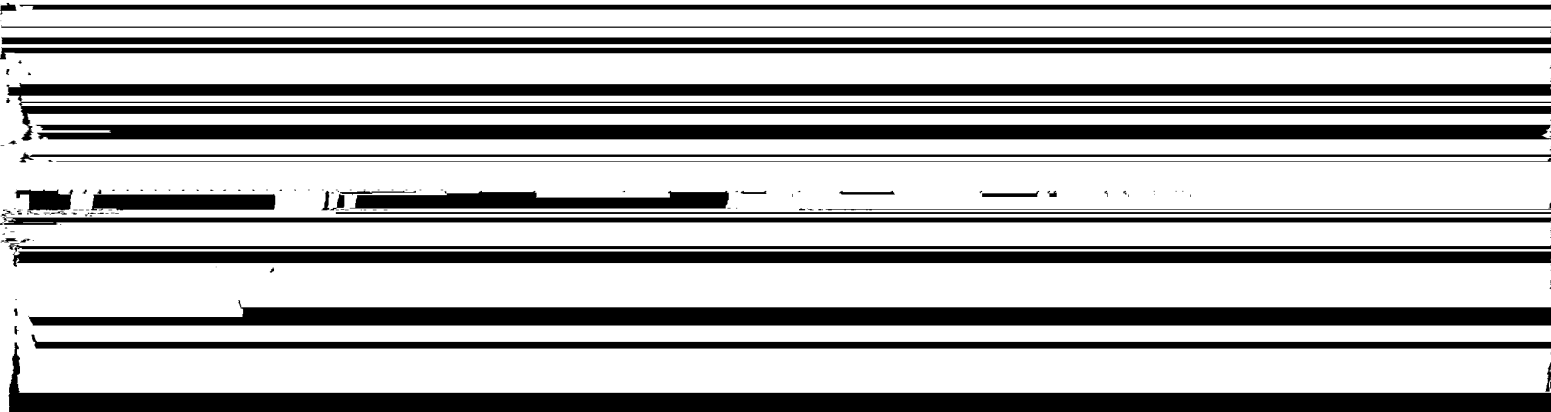
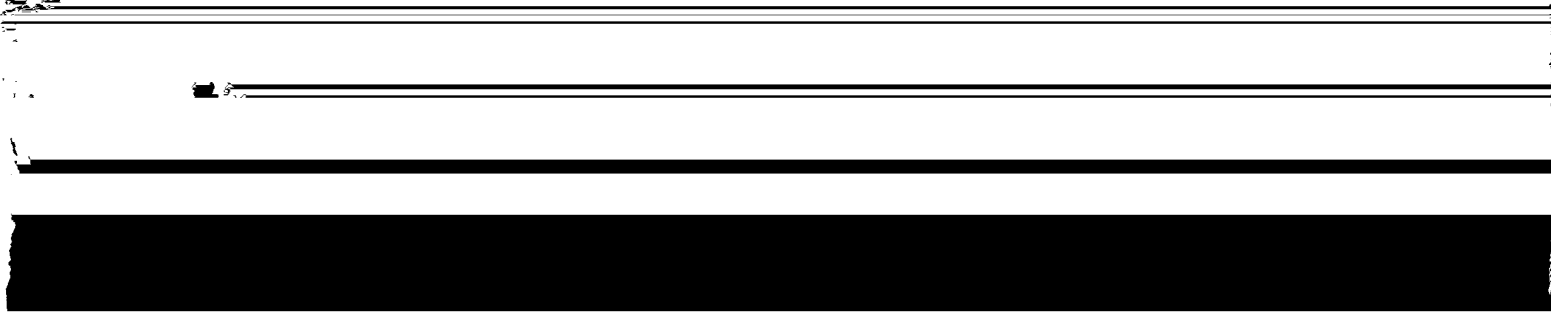
A key feature of motor function is to quickly respond to



military related to whether an individual can be safely redeployed after an event has occurred during combat.

In the embodiments described herein objects presented to the subject may be real or virtual objects. Virtual objects

ing data on the motion, position, and/or kinetics of a limb virtual reality goggles or other virtual reality or augmented



and the subject was free to hit the objects with paddles virtually attached to either hand. This prior task cannot address the question of motor corrections as the subject has a second or more to hit each object, well beyond the time

Number of Misses. The number of trials in which the subject was unable to successfully make contact with the ball.

Reaction Time. Reaction time is a measure of movement

brain. The hands are free to move throughout a large

Movement onset is defined as the earlier time point

performance is for the dominant arm, whereas performance
Speed is greatly affected when hand is used for the other hand.

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the subject's motor response is different than the motor response initially instructed.

The method of claim 1, comprising obtaining data

the limb or at least one portion of the limb to movement within a workspace;
a display device configured to present a single object to