THE DEVELOPMENT OF MOBILE CHINESE CHARACTER LEARNING AND DIAGNOSTIC SYSTEM

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Introduction

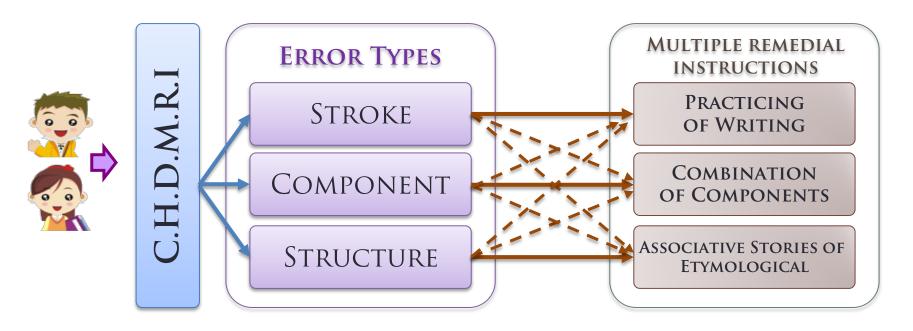
- Increase learning motivation
 - Diversification (Naiman, Frohlich, Stern & Todesco, 1996; O'Malley & Chamot, 1990)
- Overcome difficult points
 - Adaptive remedial instruction (Chang, Hsin-Jen, 2001)
- Practice adaptability and individuality
 - Computer assisted learning (Bordbar, 2010; Kern & Warschauer, 2000; Yang, 2001)
- Biased errors of Chinese character handwriting diagnosis mechanism
 - Flexible, Self-adaptive
- Improve Chinese as a foreign language (CFL) learners' ability to write and memorize Chinese characters



Theoretical Framework

Concepts

CHINESE CHARACTER HANDWRITING DIAGNOSTIC AND MULTIPLE REMEDIAL INSTRUCTIONS SYSTEM



Theoretical Framework

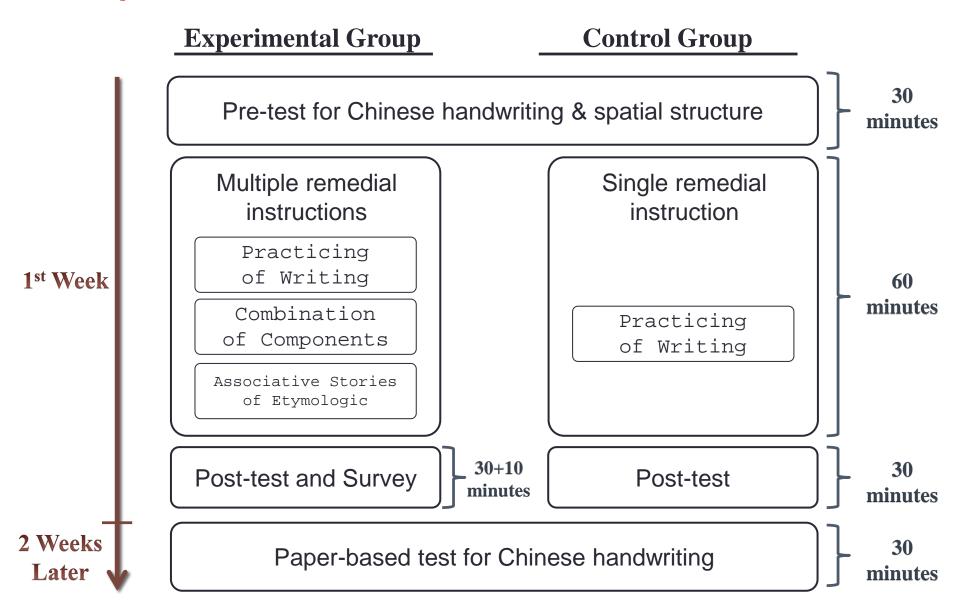
Exploration

- The affection to the learning performance of the CFL learners who used the CHDMRI system
- The affection to the learning performance between the Sinosphere CFL learners and the non-Sinosphere CFL learners
- The affection to the learning performance between the CFL learners with more than 120 hours of instruction and the CFL learners with less than 120 hours of instruction.
- 4) The affection to the traditional paper-based test of the CFL learners with multiple remedial instructions

Research Participants and Limitations

Beginning Level of the Steering Committee for the Test of Proficiency – Hanyu (SCTOP). Research Scope EG (Experimental Group) of 32 learners, CG (Control Group) of 31 learners, totally 63 learners are participated. **Participants** Sinosphere (漢字文化圏) and non-Sinosphere are defined according to the learner's native language. The time spent to learn Chinese is separated by 120 hr. The scope of the tests was based on Practical Audio-Visual Test Contents Chinese, Books 1 & 2, 2nd edition. Limitations The research is only considered about the beginning level of SCTOP. The research result about the Chinese character learning may not imply the ability of the Chinese learning.

Experimental Procedure



THE FUNCTIONALITIES OF C.H.D.M.R.I

CHINESE CHARACTER
ASSESSMENT

Test Quiz

Free Handwriting Diagnosis

STROKE DIAGNOSIS

COMPONENT DIAGNOSIS

STRUCTURE DIAGNOSIS

MULTIPLE REMEDIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Practicing of Writing

Combination of Components

Associative Stories of Etymologic

Interactive Combination Exercise of Components

Remedia

Animation of Stroke Order

Handwriting Feedback LEARNER DATABASE

Learner Information

Quiz Database

Answering Log

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Portfolio

Welcome! AA1

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Chinese Character Assessment

1. Test Question – Handwriting Test

Learners were allowed to write down the Chinese word according to the each question shown with picture and phonetic spelling • There were 30 questions and the whole test was limited in 30 minutes.

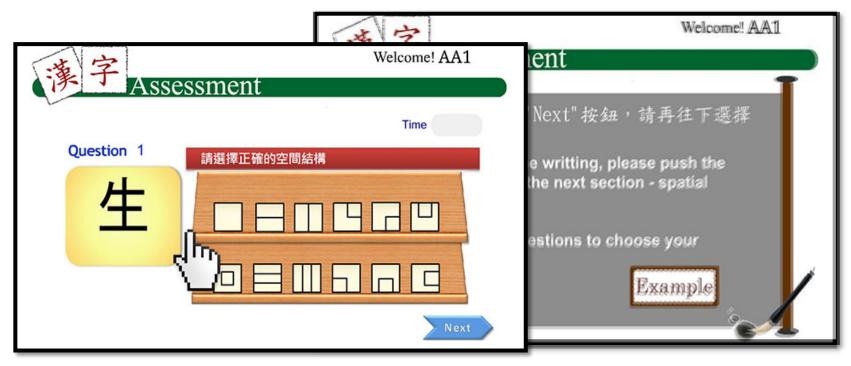
Remaining time Time 29:2 Question: 詞彙(Phrase): __天 Writing frame picture and the 拼音(Pinyin): xià 注音(Zhuyin): 丁一丫` Picture re-writing $\lceil OK \mid \text{ to next} \rceil$ Clear

Finding out a word from the phonetic spelling

Chinese Character Assessment

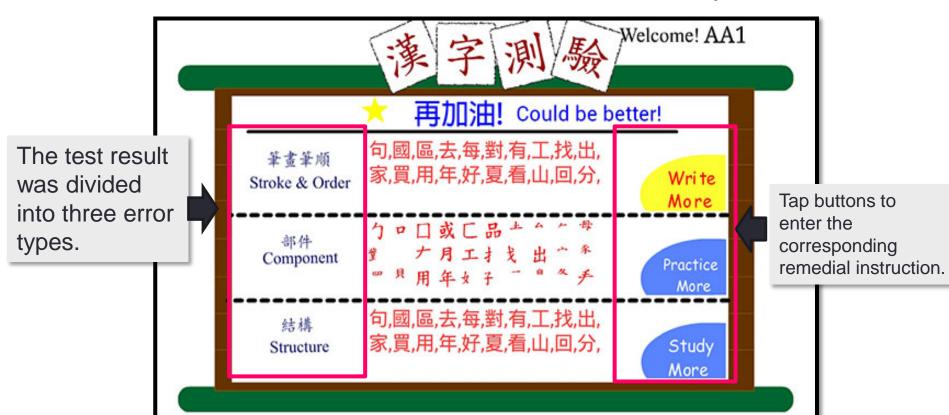
2. Test Question – Spatial structure Test

Learners were allowed to answer by select the only one option. the each question shown with picture and phonetic spelling • There were 30 questions and the whole test was limited in 30 minutes.



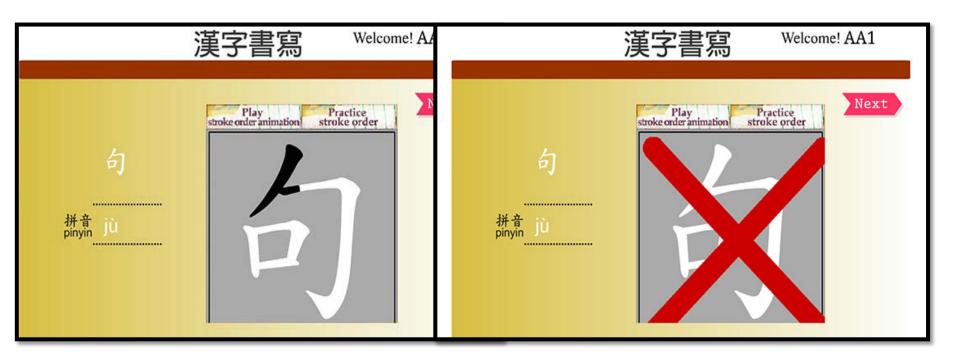
The outcomes of Chinese Character Assessment

The outcomes showed the results from both the Chinese character handwriting test and the spatial structure test. According to the score of strokes and the word's structure, the leaner could know what words needed improvement.



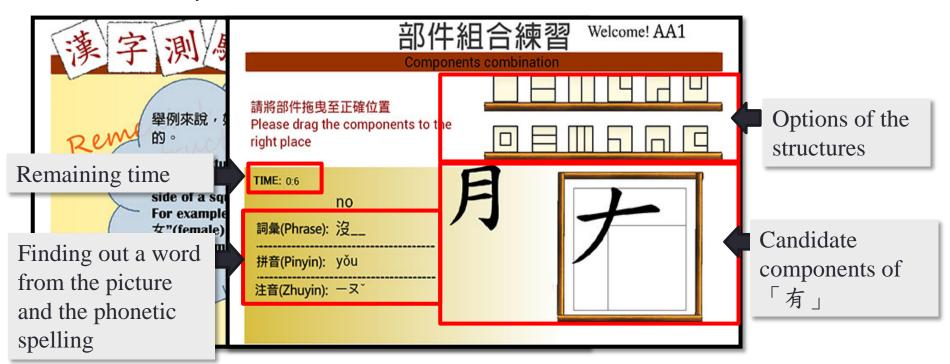
Multiple Remedial Instruction Material

- Calligraphy Imitating
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 - ✓ Computer animation provided the correct stroke orders.



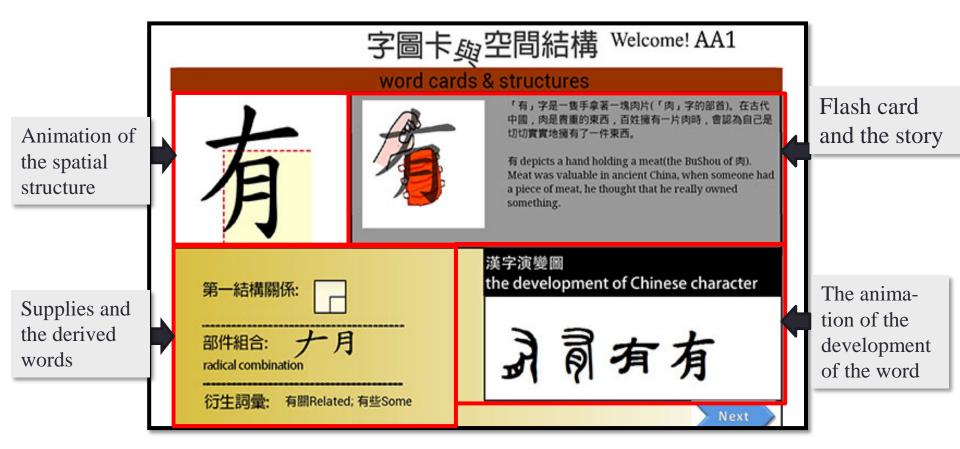
Multiple Remedial Instruction Material

- Combination Exercise of Components
 - ✓ Spatial structure selection made learners construct the concept of the spatial knowledge of the word.
 - ✓ Combination provided the correct components corresponding to the spatial structure.



Multiple Remedial Instruction Material

- Associative Stories of Etymologic
 - ✓ Flash card and the story made leaners remember the word visually.



Experiment Result

Culture spheres

• The difference in post-test mean of the sinosphere in **EG**, **13.62**, and the non-sinosphere in **EG**, **17.79** are both higher than the sinosphere in **CG**, **3.36** and the non-sinosphere in **CG**, **12.76**.

Culture sphere	Group	Mean		Standard deviation	
		Pre-test	Post-test	Pre-test	Post-test
Sinosphere	EG (n=13)	62.46	76.08	8.550	8.046
漢字 文化圈	CG (n=14)	61.00	64.36	12.830	12.004
Non- sinosphere	EG (n=19)	53.84	71.63	10.920	9.599
非漢字 文化圈	CG (n=17)	49.53	62.29	13.408	14.907

Experiment Result

Learning time

The affect on learners with less than 120 hrs. in EG, 21.50, and those with more than 120 hrs. in EG 13.63 are both higher than leaners with more than 120 hrs. in CG, 9.40 and those with less than 120 hrs. in CG, 8.10.

Loorning time	Group	Mean		Standard deviation	
Learning time		前測	後測	前測	後測
Less than 120 hours	EG (n=10)	50.10	71.60	10.734	8.262
	CG (n=10)	49.50	58.90	17.469	20.030
More than 120 hours	EG (n=22)	60.64	74.27	9.251	9.573
	CG (n=21)	57.19	65.29	11.998	8.872

Experiment Result

The analysis of the different remedial instruction in the paper-based post test

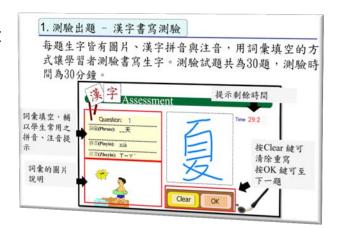
The mean, standard deviation and Independent-Samples t Test

Group	Num.	Mean	Sd.	t	р	η2
EG	32	77.94	7.152	-3.413**	.001	.163
CG	31	68.94	12.889			

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Satisfaction Questionary	Average	Sd.
Total avg.	4.323	.538

Scores: 5 is Strongly agree, 1 is Strongly disagree





Conclusion

- CHDMRI provided CFL learners to diagnosis their errors in stroke order, knowledge of Chinese characters, and their understanding of spatial structure.
- The remedial instruction materials offered personalized remedial instruction in accordance with the learners' errors.
- More effective and convenient tools to practice writing Chinese characters correctly.
- The improvement in learning performance of writing Chinese characters was not affected by the time spent learning Chinese or by the background when the CFL learners were beginners.

On The Going Job

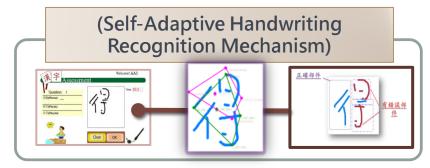
✓ Deploying at Market







✓ Taking a patent



- ✓ Free writing
- Stroke diagnosis
- ✓ Order diagnosis
- Component diagnosis

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