# MANIFESTATION OF BIOMECHANIC PRINCIPLES IN TENNIS SHOTS AND MOVEMENTS



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## Goals

- 1. Separate efficiency and effectiveness,
- 2. Identified deviations in the technical implementation,
- 3. Recognize key positions and movements related to biomechanical principles.



## B.I.O.M.E.C vs P.A.S.

#### Efficiency

Movement of the player. Coach observe the movement.

#### Effectivness

Movement of the racket. Coach see shots effect.







#### **Biomechanical principles**

Balance Inertia Opposite force Momentum Elastic energy Co-ordination chain



#### Balance

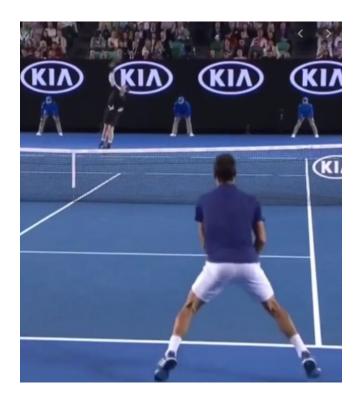


Factors:

- The height of the body's center of gravity,
- The width of the supporting base,
- The body weight,
- Shoulder and head position.



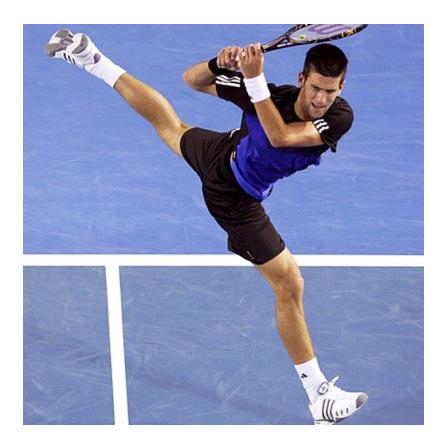
## Player's position (PP) after split step (SS)



- Conditioned by gender, age, flexibility, strength, perception, anticipation, situation...
- The optimal height in the position is 0.83 of the body height (BH = 183 cm = height in PP = 153 cm).



## Shost in dynamic balance



- Jump shots,
- Shoulder and head position (visual control of the ball),
- Compensatory movements (counterforce).



#### Serve



- Position in "power position",
- Coordinated movement of the two hands,
- Shoulder and head posture,
- Kick back,
- Compensatory movements (opposite force).



## Running shots



- shots in movements to the side, to the back, to the front,
- Perceiving and estimating the flight of the ball,
- The importance of the first three steps,
- Execution of a shot that allows a quick return,
- Strains and injuries.



## Approaching & net shotss



- Dynamic or static,
- Shoulder and head position,
- Simple execution of the shot, allowing a quick return,
- Exploiting/overco ming inertia.



## Playing a very low balls



- Extremely wide leg position in dynamic or static conditions,
- Shoulder and head position,
- No significant change in TT position during impact.



#### Inertia





## Split step (SS)



- Get your body moving
- SS timing depends on the situation: S1=.300, S2=.334, R1=.331, R2=.293, F=.318, B=333, VF=.242, BV =.280); on the level of play: pro = .272 - .330, B14 = .306 - .424, G14= .272 - .353



## Unit/shoulders turn



- Continuation of movement after SS,
- Use of large parts of the body (trunk),
- Movement pattern when the ball is near/far.



## Movement (forward, back, lateral)







- Next: use inertia to increase power and shot's control,
- Back: counteract inertia with an appropriate movement,
- Laterally: play the shots with as little lateral movement as possible during and after the shot.



## Arm extended/bent



- The movement of the skater's hands during the jump (axis),
- There is no clear answer,
- The line of acceleration of the racket on the forehand,
- Relationship with the height of the impact zone.



#### **Opposite force**





#### Start the movement



- Allows a quick start of movement or a change of direction (back line, coming to the net),
- Under time pressure,
- The effect of anticipation,
- It is developed through situational training.



#### Foot pressure when changing direction



- The player does not increase the range of lateral movement,
- Allows a quick change of direction and optimal coverage of the field,
- The first step is the cross.



#### Fast movement back at overhead smash



- A natural reaction,
- A step forward after a preparatory jump allows a quick backward movement,
- For the development it is necessary to create a situation.



## Fast movement forward



- Natural reaction,
- A step backward on the PP allows for rapid forward movement,
- For development it is necessary to create a suitable situation,
- Athletic coaches!



#### Foot pressure during shot preparation



- Appropriate timing of pressure on groundstrokes, smash, volley,
- In serve, pressure depends on movement (with or without step),
- The pressure (load) is the basis for the initiation of CC.



#### Opposite movement – serve, volley





 A compensatory movement that increases the velocity of impact and maintains the body's equilibrium position (alignment).



#### Opposite movement – smash in jump



- Natural reaction,
- Balancing movement that increases the speed of the shot and maintains the equilibrium position of the body during the jump, allowing movement towards the net.



#### Momentum





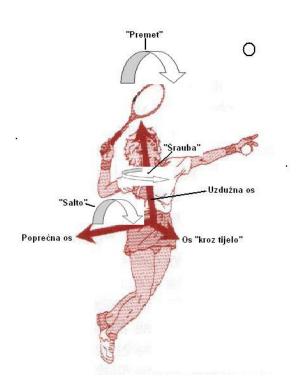
## Body weight transfer



- The effect of grip,
- Dependent on the position of the blow,
- The range of linear and circular motion is constantly changing,
- Do not forget the vertical movement.



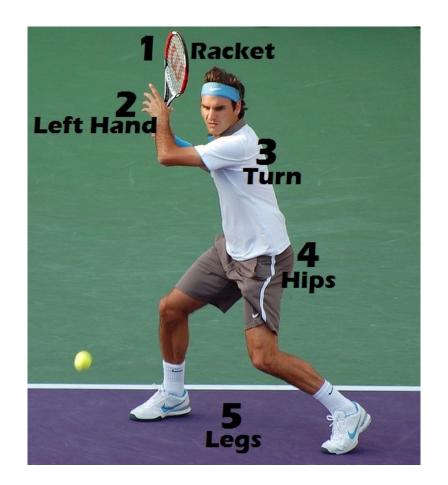
## Acceleration directions in serve



- Twist: speed, lateral rotation,
- Shoulder over shoulder: ball flight, forward rotation, ball weight
- Somersault: speed.
- Analogy: spin, slice serve,
- Concentration on large parts of the body.



#### Elastic energy





# Creating tension between the axes of the body





- Timely preparation of major body parts (legs, hips, shoulders),
- Generation of tension between body parts (hips, shoulders),
- Dynamic performance.

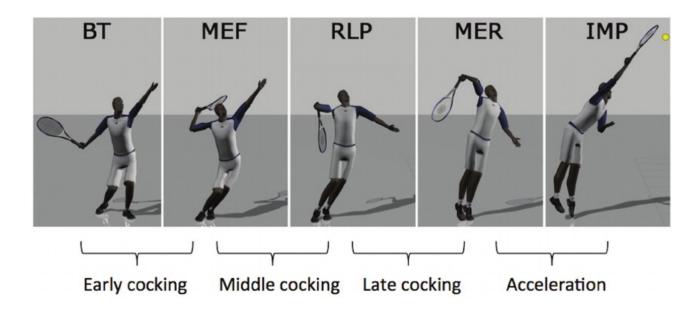


#### **Coordination chain**





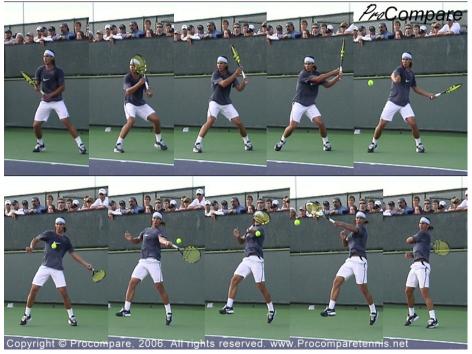
## Escalator principle - serve



- The timing of the inclusion of each part,
- From the large to the small body parts, from the inside to the outside,
- The racket is the last link in the chain.



## **Escalator principle - forehand**



- Time of recording and transfer of momentum to the next segment,
- Principle of the discus thrower (?),
- Throwing movement,
- Lower energy consumption,
- Long-term development: "From swinging to throwing"!



#### Questions?

