

Self-Powered Lifting Wheelchair

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Mock Up Review

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Survey Results

- **Disability Types of Users Interviewed**

- Paraplegia
- Quadriplegia
- Multiple Sclerosis (MS)

- **Top Concerns**

- Weight
- Safety
- Communication
- Reach



Customer Needs



- **Manual Lift**
 - Improves communication
 - Improves reach
- **Safety**
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- **Accessibility**
 - ADA Regulations
- **Portability**
- **Stability**

Technical Aspects



- **Design Considerations**

- Ergonomics
- Regulations
- Usability
- Stability

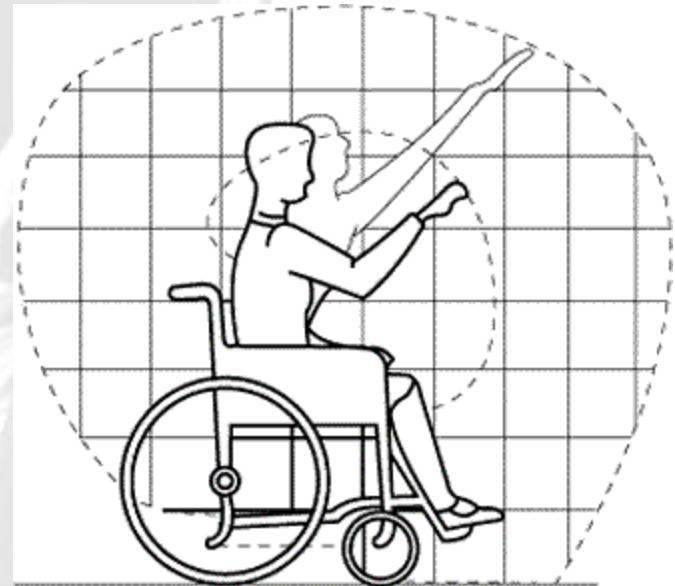
- **Critical Mechanisms**

- Lifting
- Pivoting

Ergonomics

Design Considerations

- **Comfort**
- **Push Force**
- **Reach**
 - Little to no compromise



Regulations

Design Considerations

- **ADA regulations**
 - Accessibility
- **FDA regulations**
 - Class II device
 - Straight to market

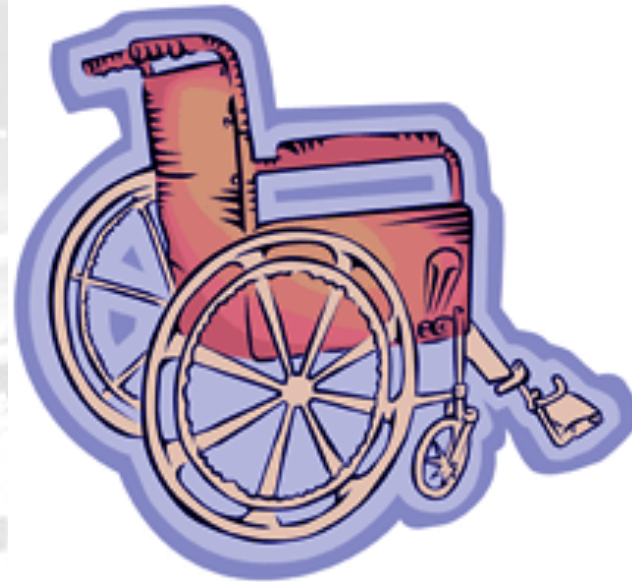


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Usability

Design Considerations

- **Easy to Lift**
 - Low force
 - Few repetitions
- **Portability**
 - Weight
- **Mobility**
 - Maintain standards



Stability

Design Considerations

- **Center of Mass (CM)**
 - Controlled in raised and lowered positions
- **Stable on inclines**
 - Up to 35 degrees



Lifting

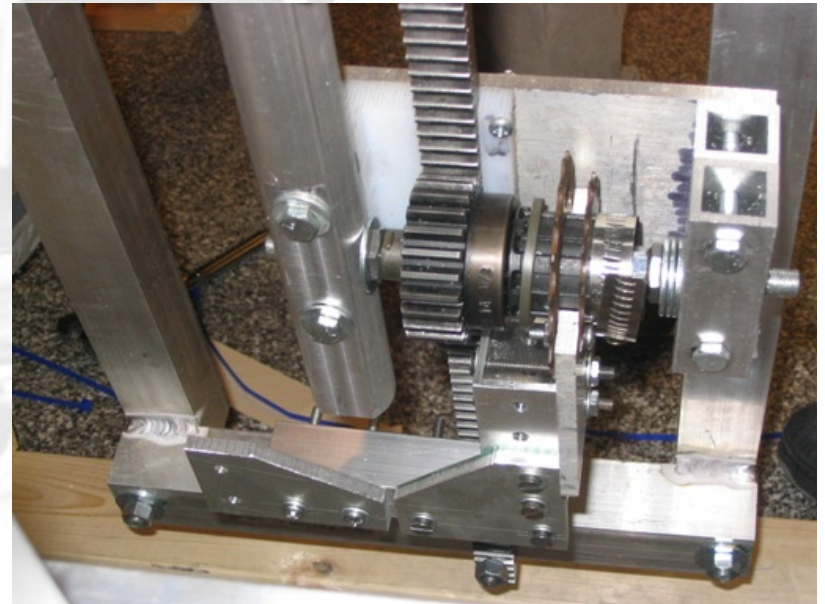
Critical Mechanisms

- **Lifting Mechanisms**

- Rack & Pinion
- Air Pistons
- Locking Collar

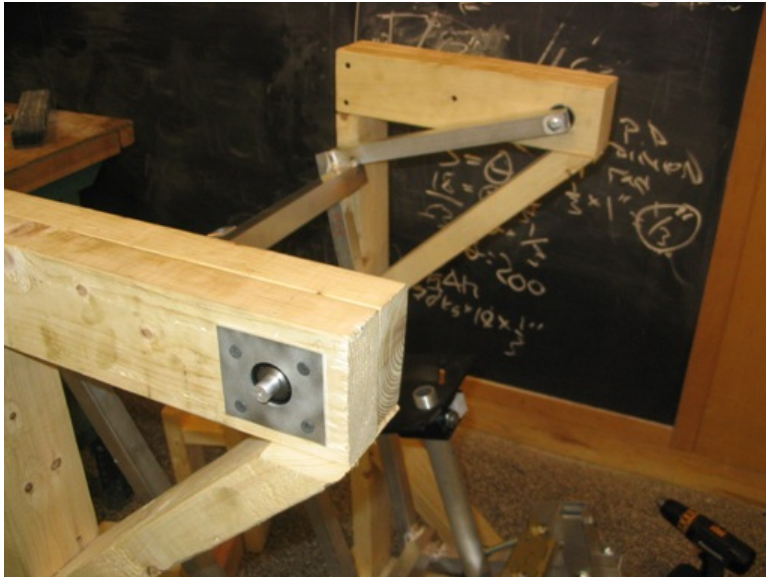
- **Raised Height**

- Aids in Communication
- Extends Independent Living



Pivoting

Critical Mechanisms



- **Pivoting Mechanism**

- Pivot
- Bearings

- **Stability**

- Moving CM
- Meets current regulations

- **Range of Motion**

- No Compromise

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Affordability

- **Market comparison**

- iBot: \$25000+
- Powered standing chairs: \$8600+

- **Customer Data**

- User comfort range of \$1500-\$7000
- Target price: \$2000
- Possible insurance coverage

