

A stylized white graphic on a black background depicting several human figures in various dynamic poses, suggesting movement and activity. The figures are interconnected, with some appearing to be in a crouching or jumping position, while others are more elongated and flowing.

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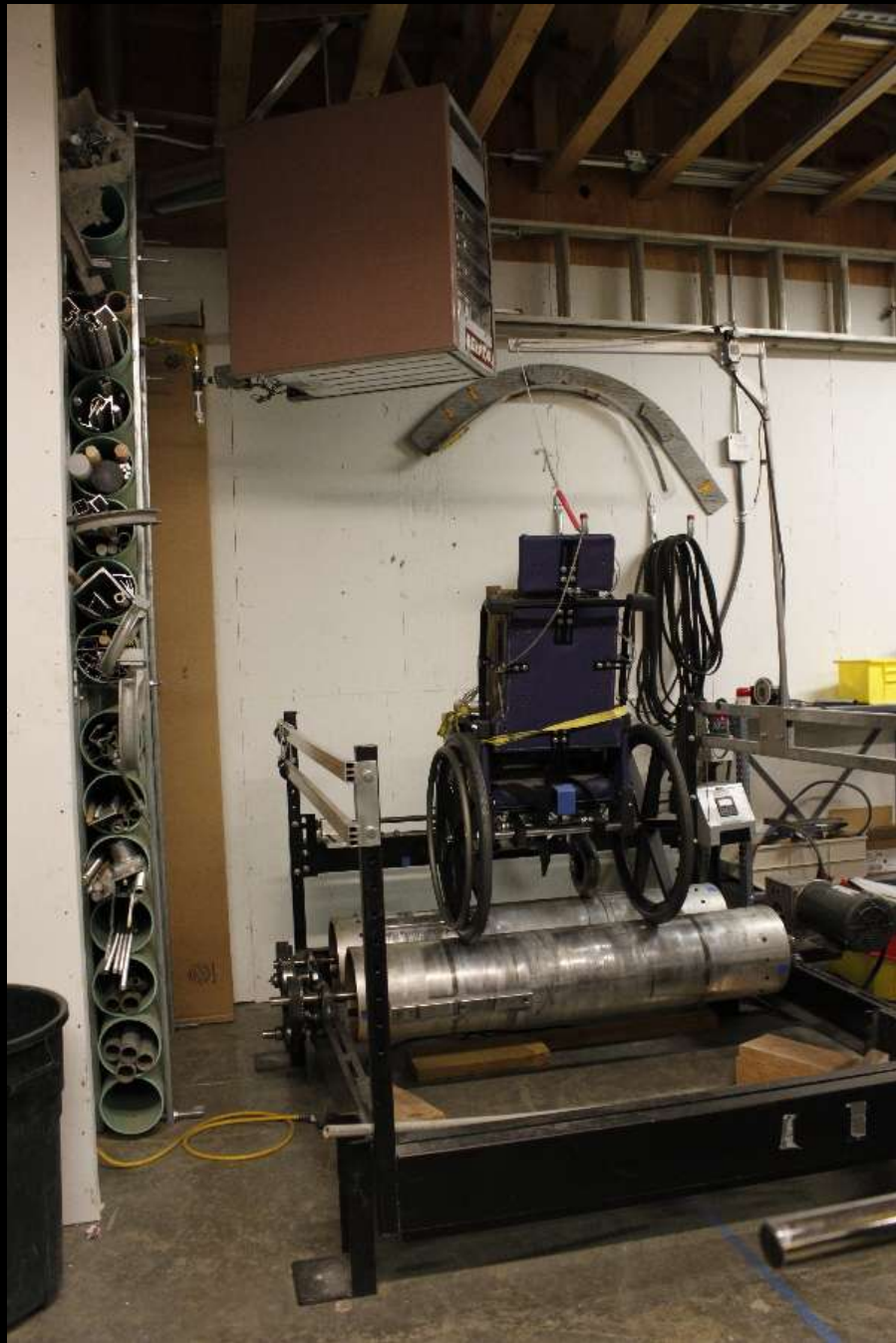
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Design of Consumer Products

Product Development

Assessment of Products

Universal Design of Products

Product Development

Mainstream Products

Opportunity for Universal Design

Adaptive Products

Personal Technologies

Activity Specific Technologies

Balance Dimension

Physical

Intellectual

Spiritual



















Sociological Dimension

Dependence

Independence

Interdependence







Personal Technologies
Activity-Specific Technologies
Environmental Technologies

Environmental Technologies

Things that do not move

Activity-Specific Technologies



Arroya Sit Ski





Mono Ski













Dynamic Seating Spring Assist

Cross Country Ski







Pax Back



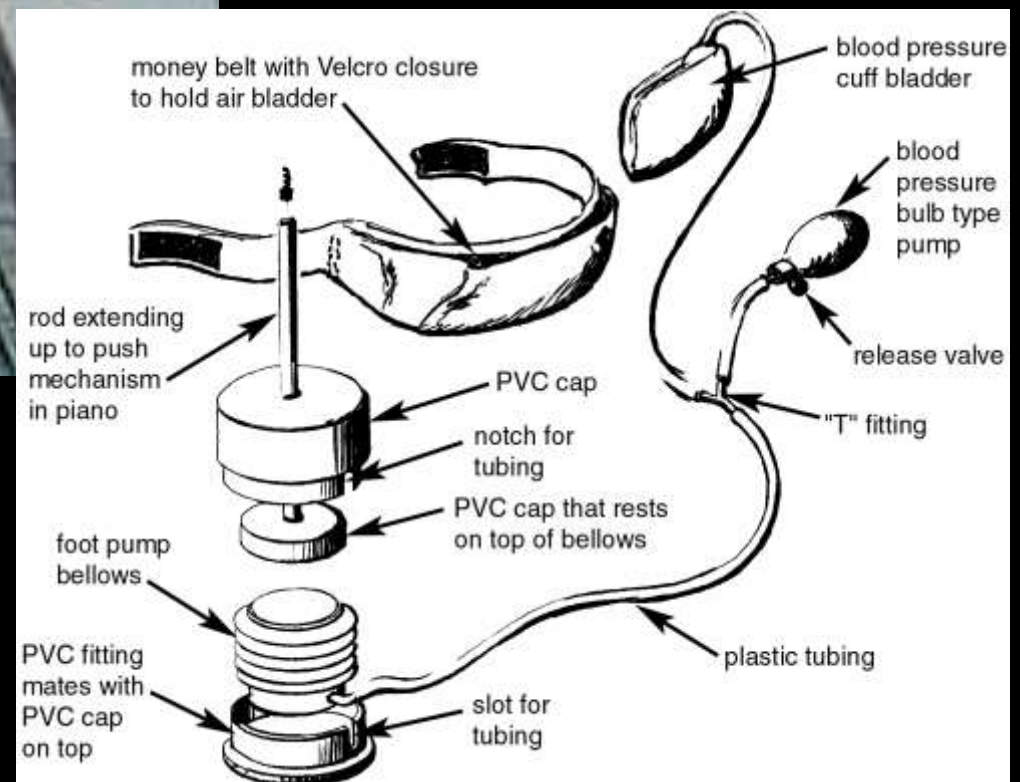
Improved Posture

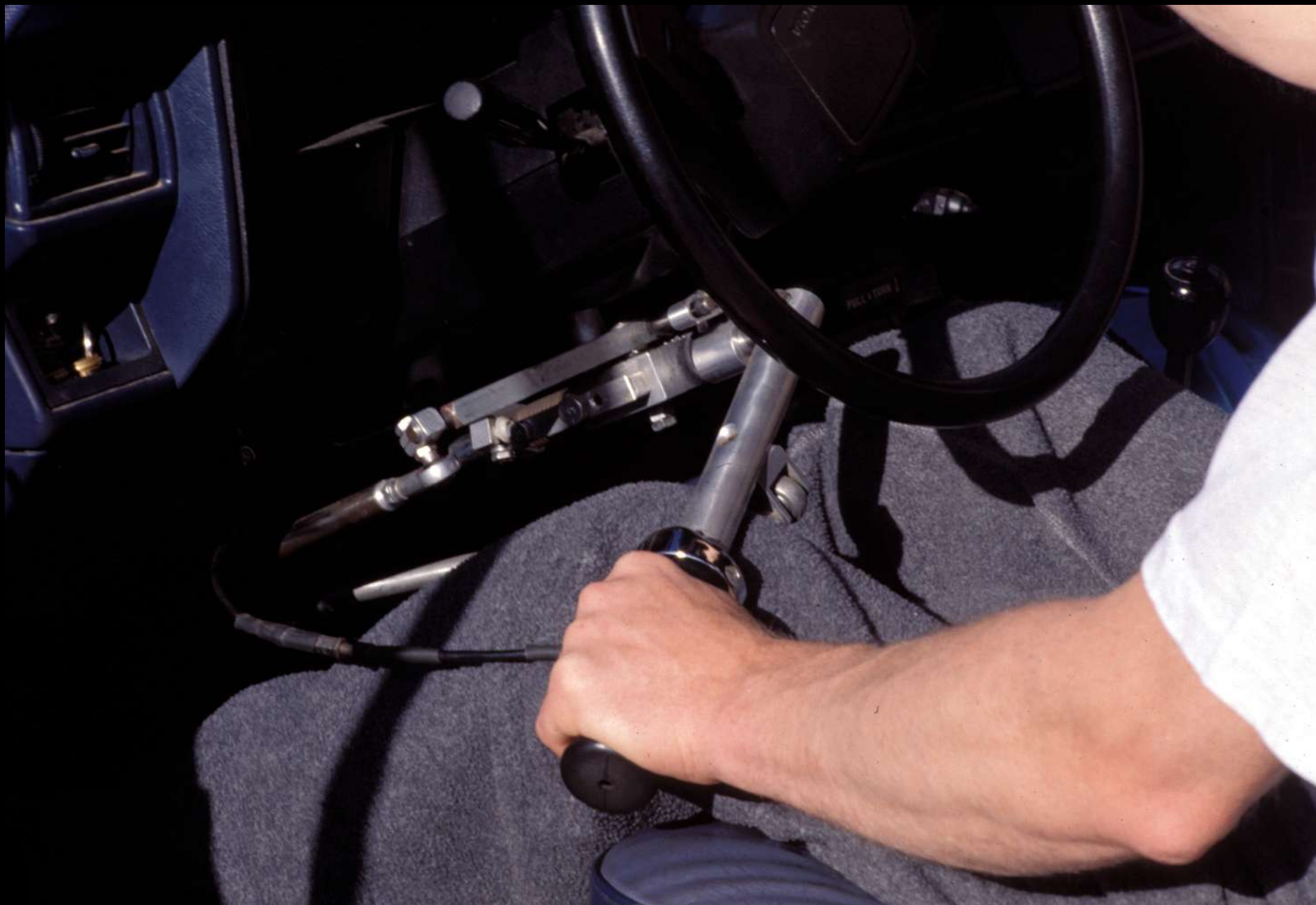


Available from
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Aircraft Aisle Chair







Dynamic Seating

Dynamic Seating







Hand Bike



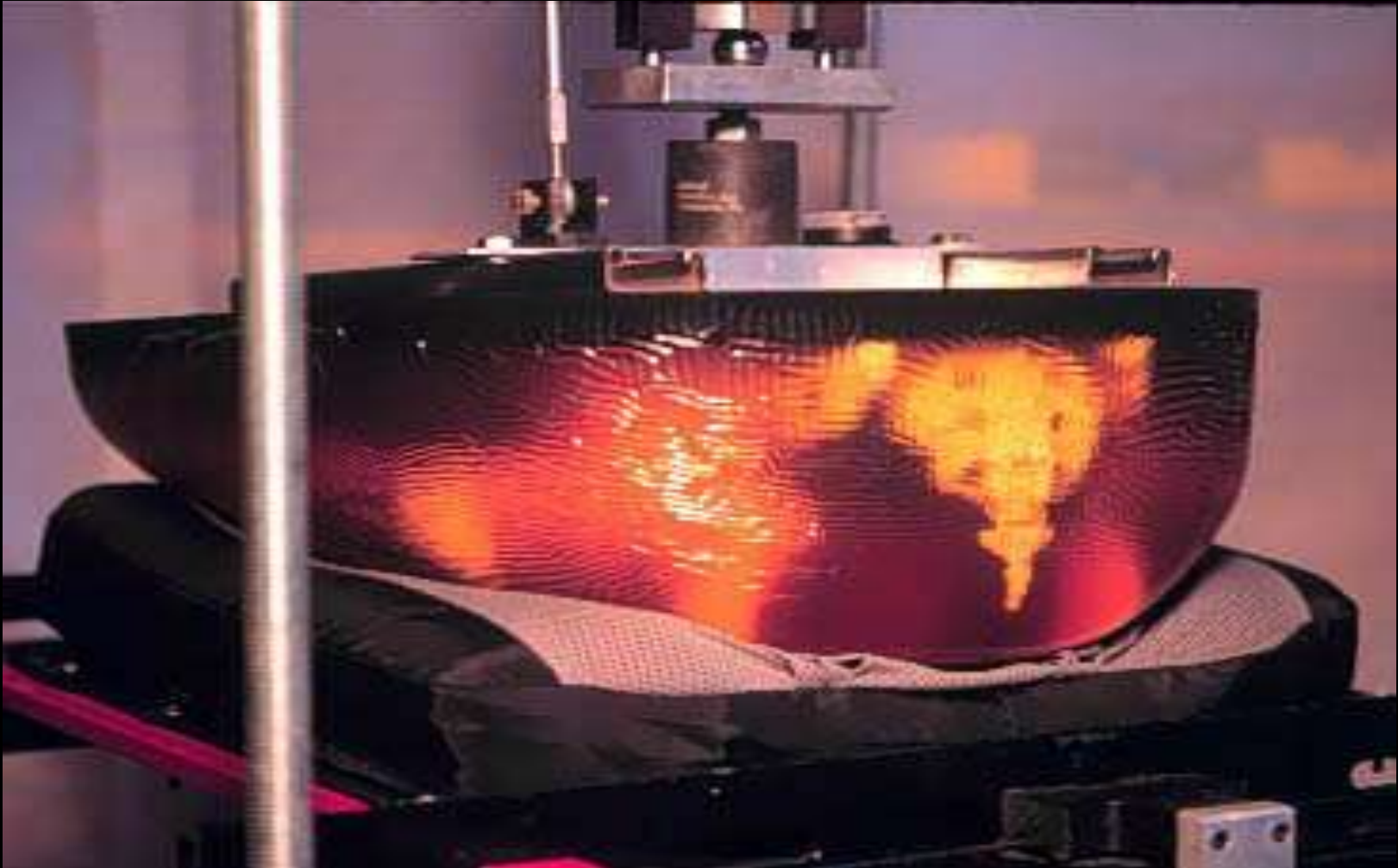
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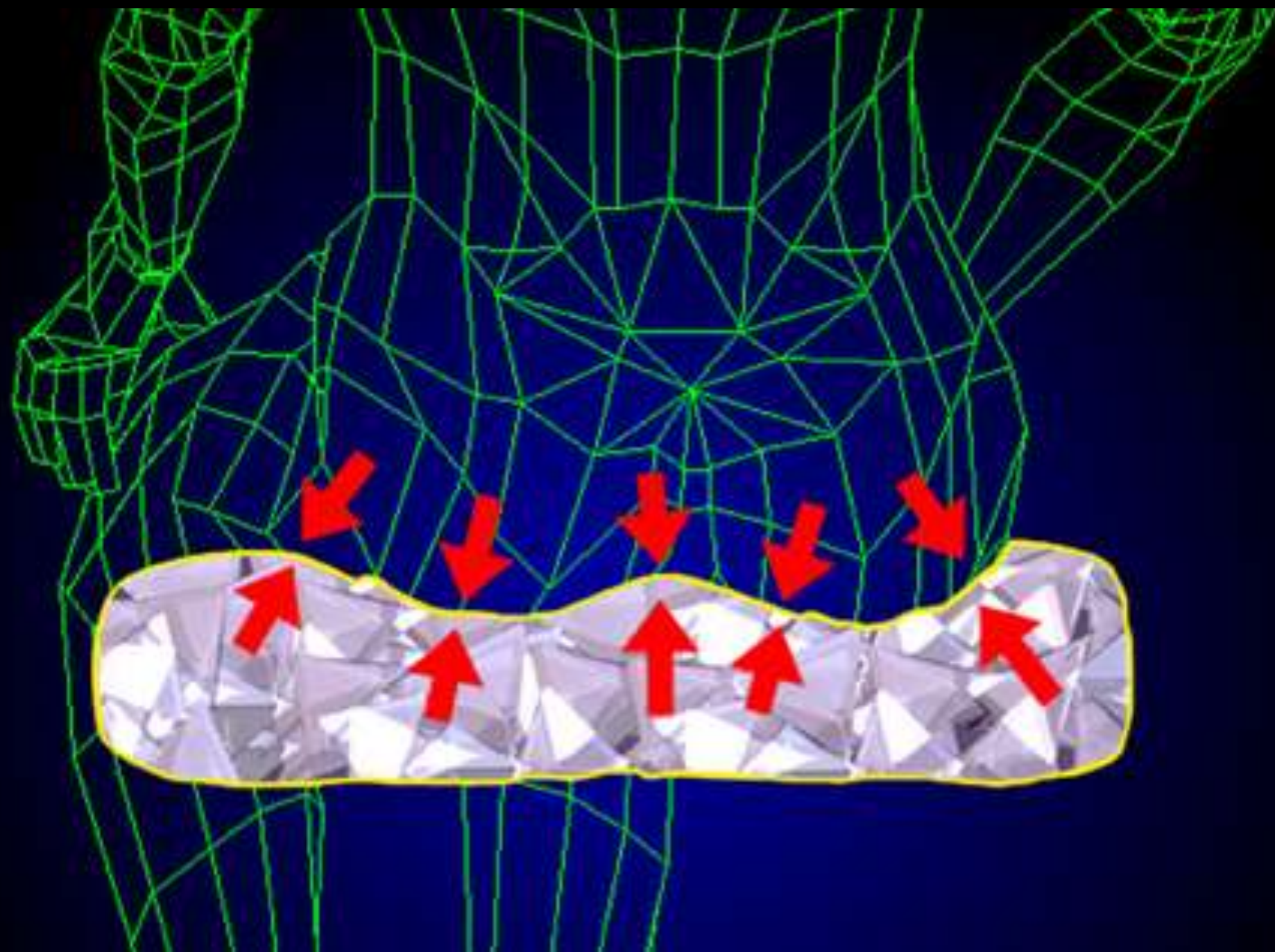


SKELI with Pelvis Model

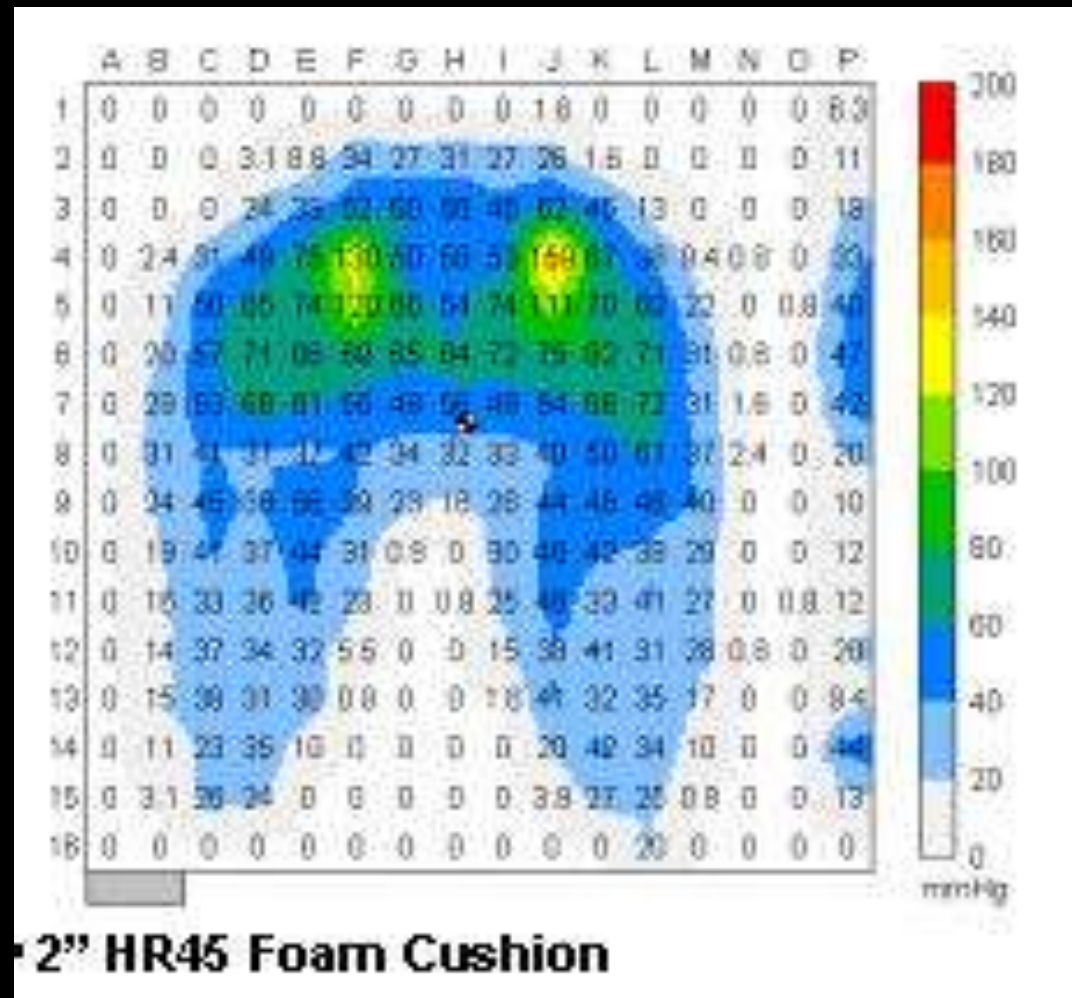


SKELI from Rear





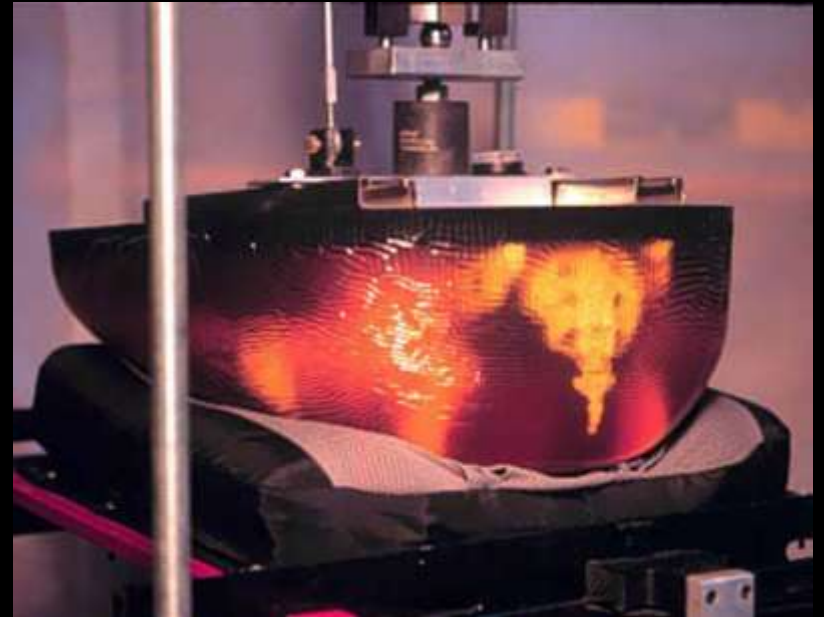
SKELI Used on Foam

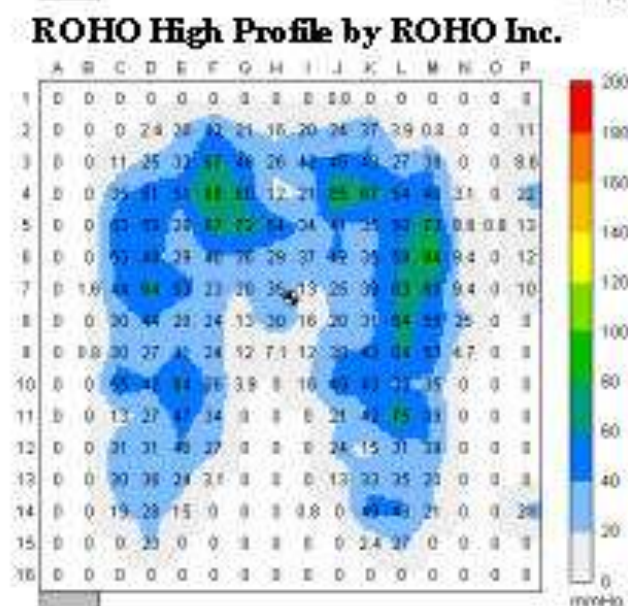
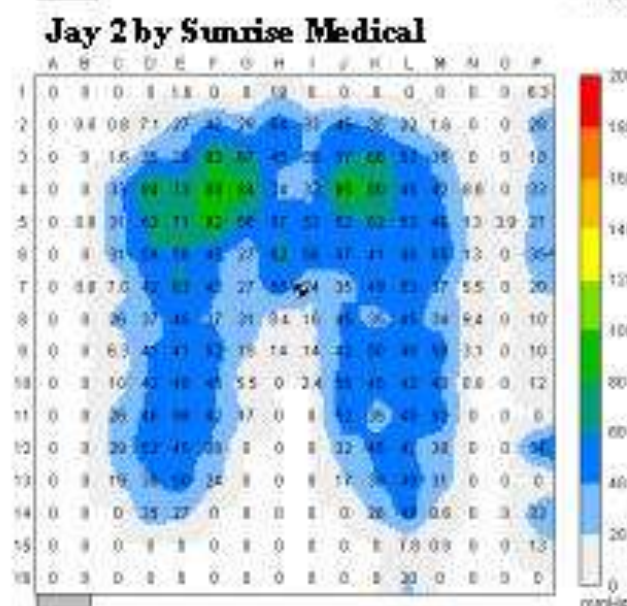
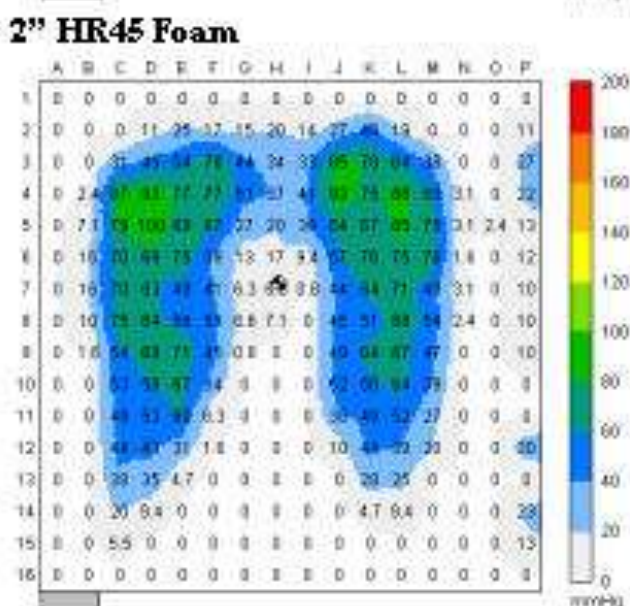
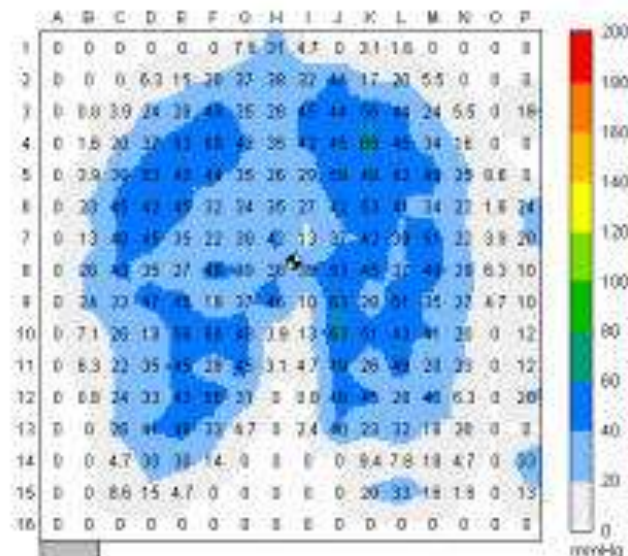
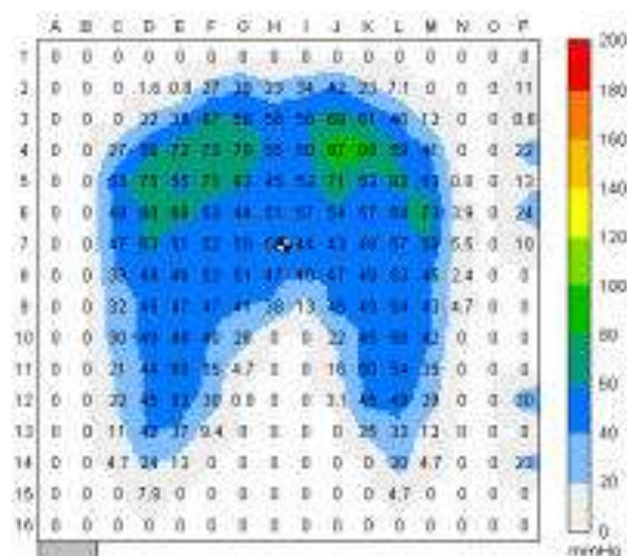
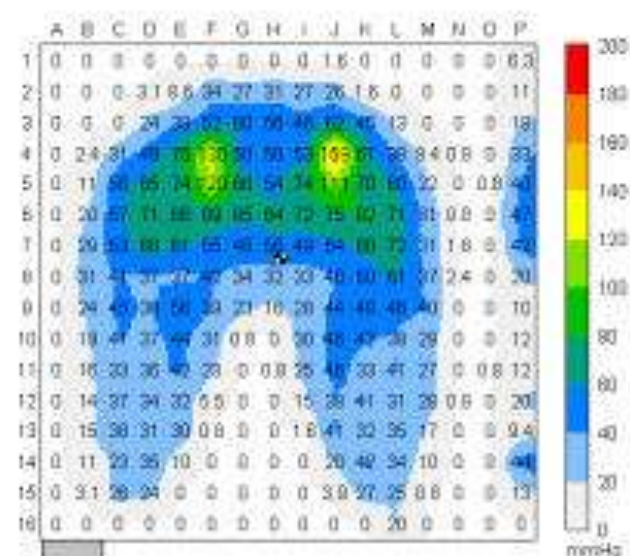


Beneficial Designs has played a key part in the ongoing effort to develop **Wheelchair Seating Standards** within the ISO. The **Skeletal Imbedded Loading Indenter (SKELI)** was developed to provide an anatomically based loading indenter for the standard.



Seat Cushion Testing





ASLI Prototype ISO Part 2 Shape



ASLI Prototype V 1.0 with Surrogate Pelvis/Femur Symmetric loading



ASLI Prototype

10 Pelvic Obliquity



ASLI Prototype

15 Posterior Pelvic Tilt

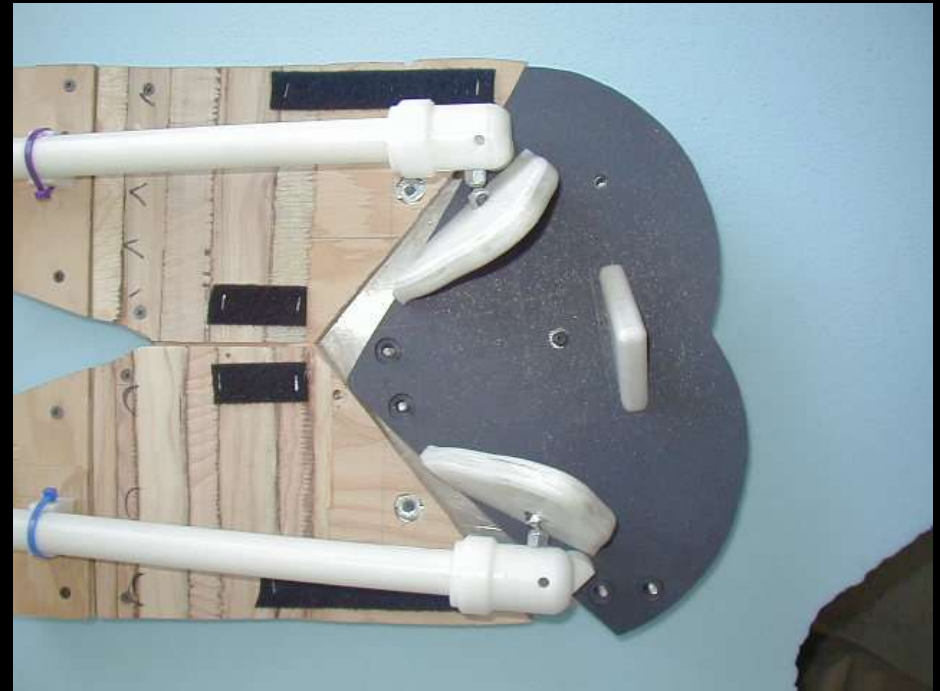


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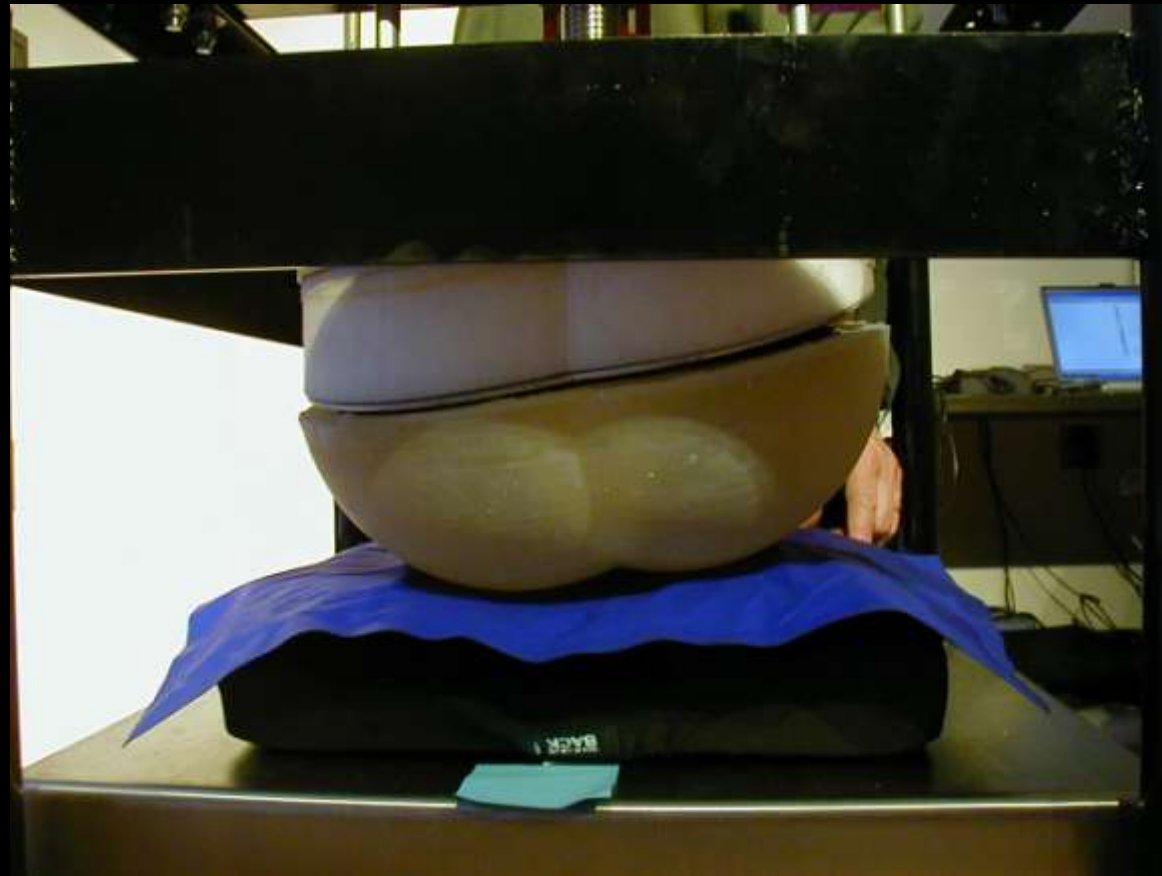
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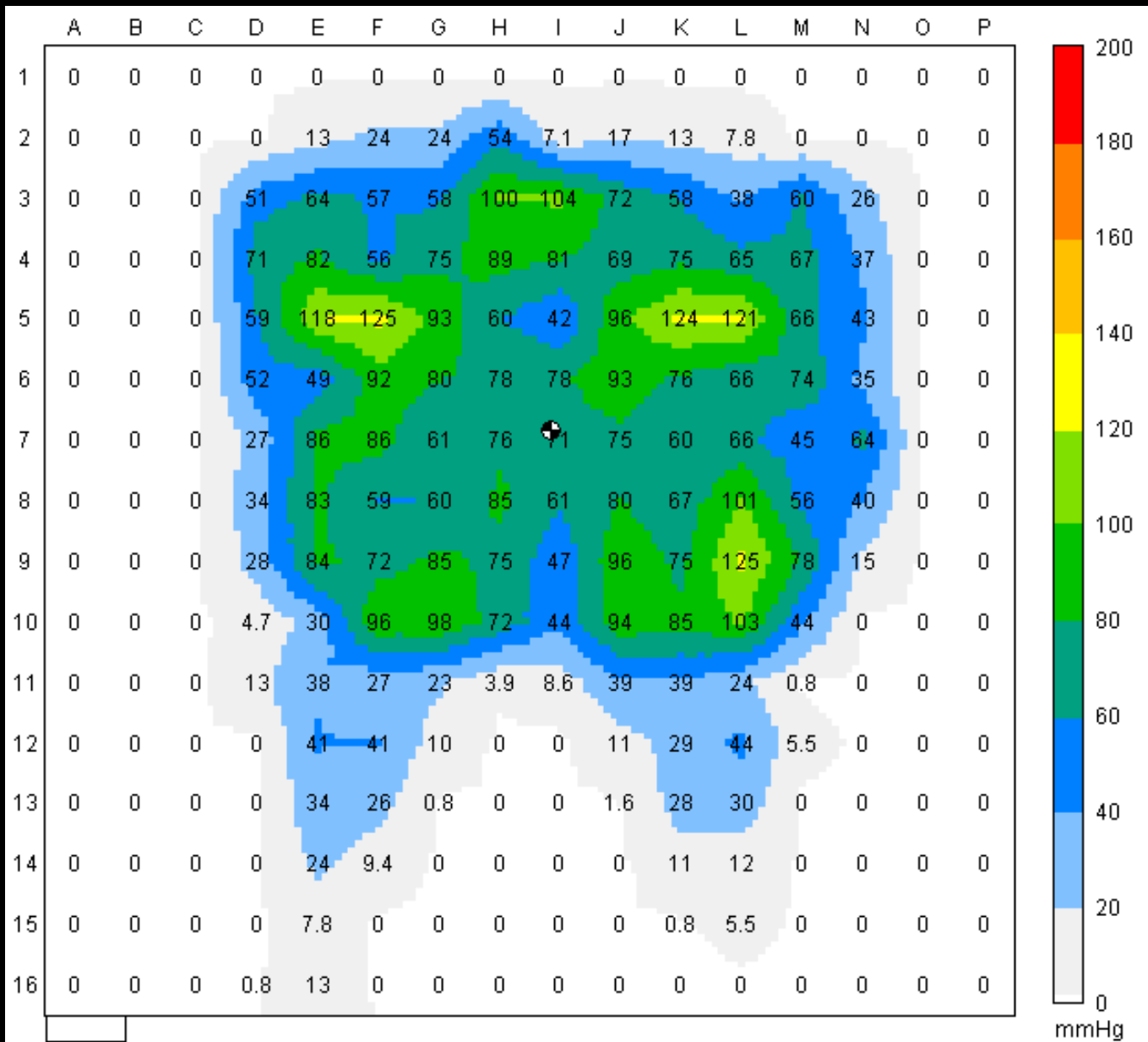
10 Rotation



**ASLI Prototype V 2.0
with Gel Soft Tissue
10 Pelvic Obliquity and
15 Posterior Pelvic Tilt**

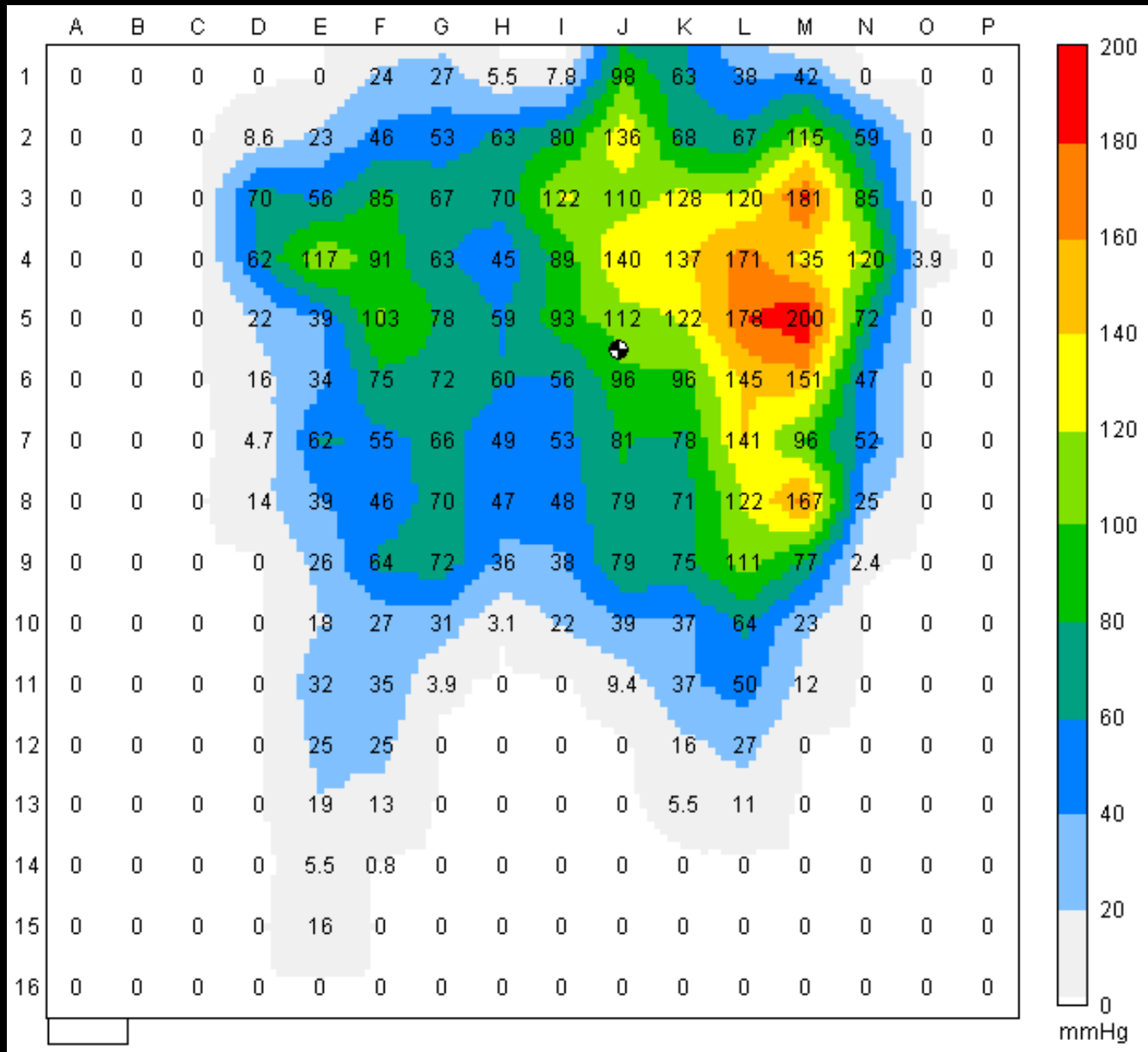


Pressure Measurements Symmetric

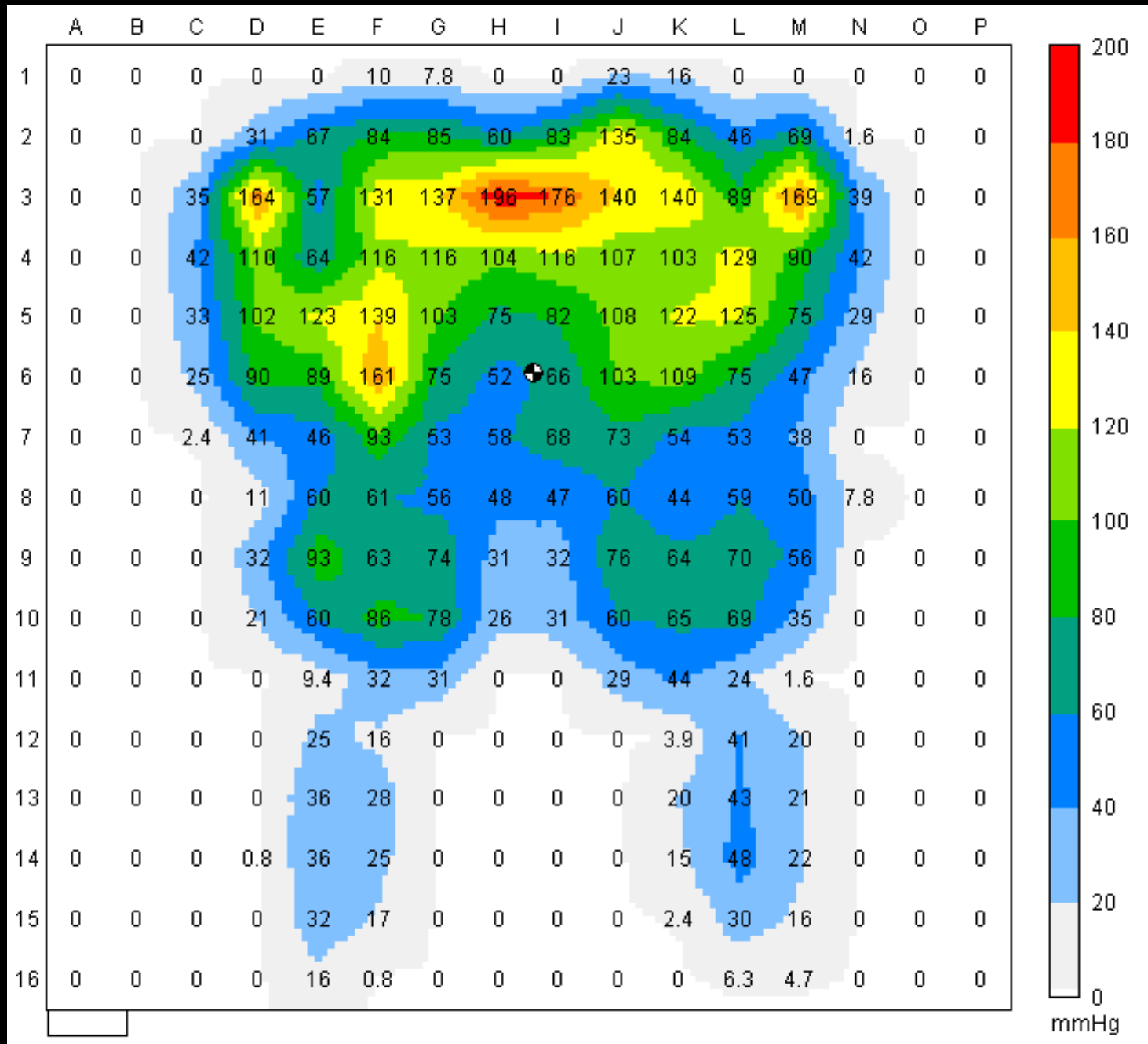


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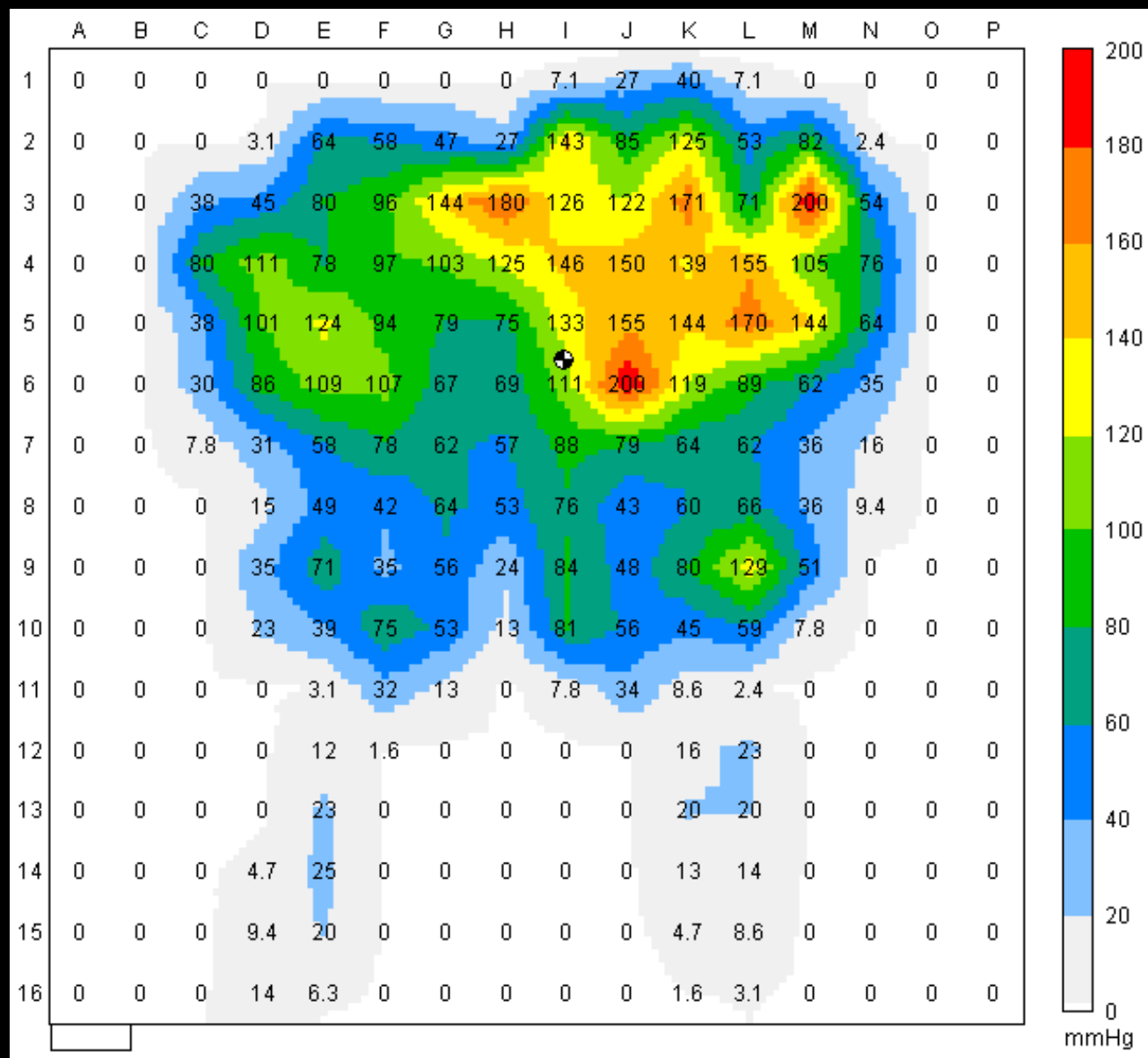
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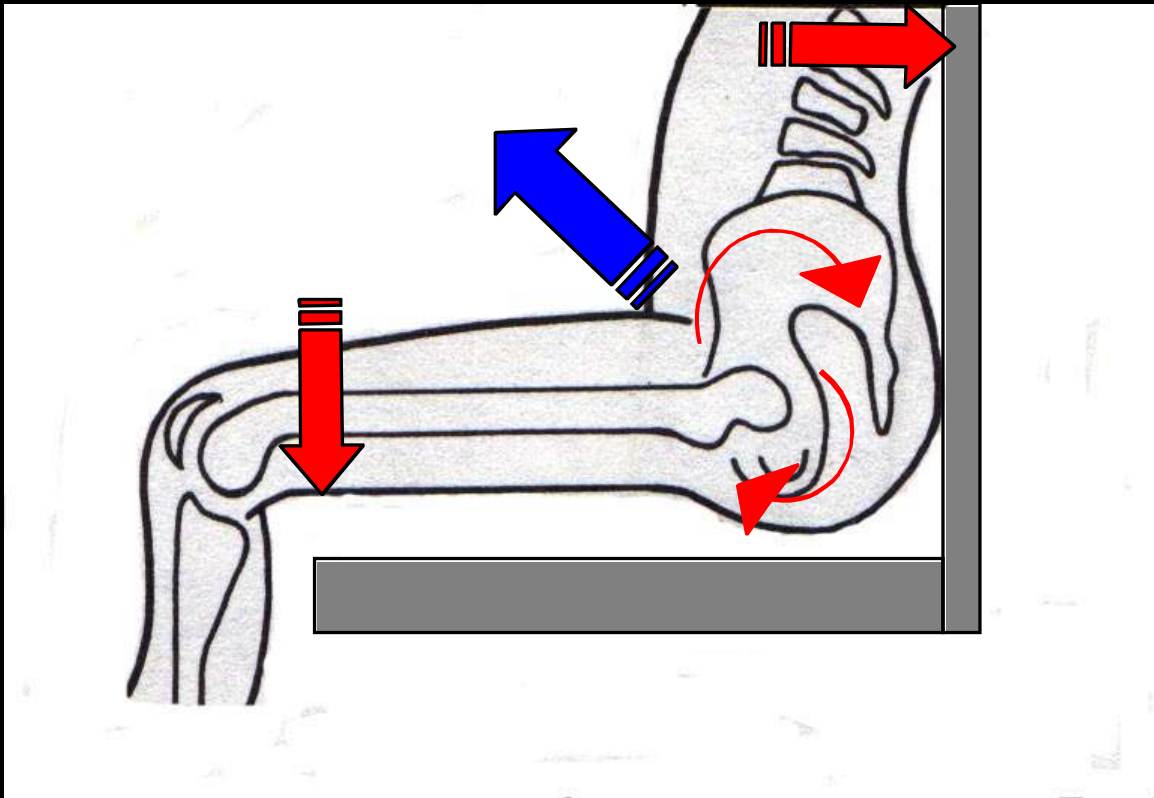
Pressure Measurements 15 Posterior Pelvic Tilt



Pressure Measurements 10 Pelvic Obliquity 15 Posterior Pelvic Tilt



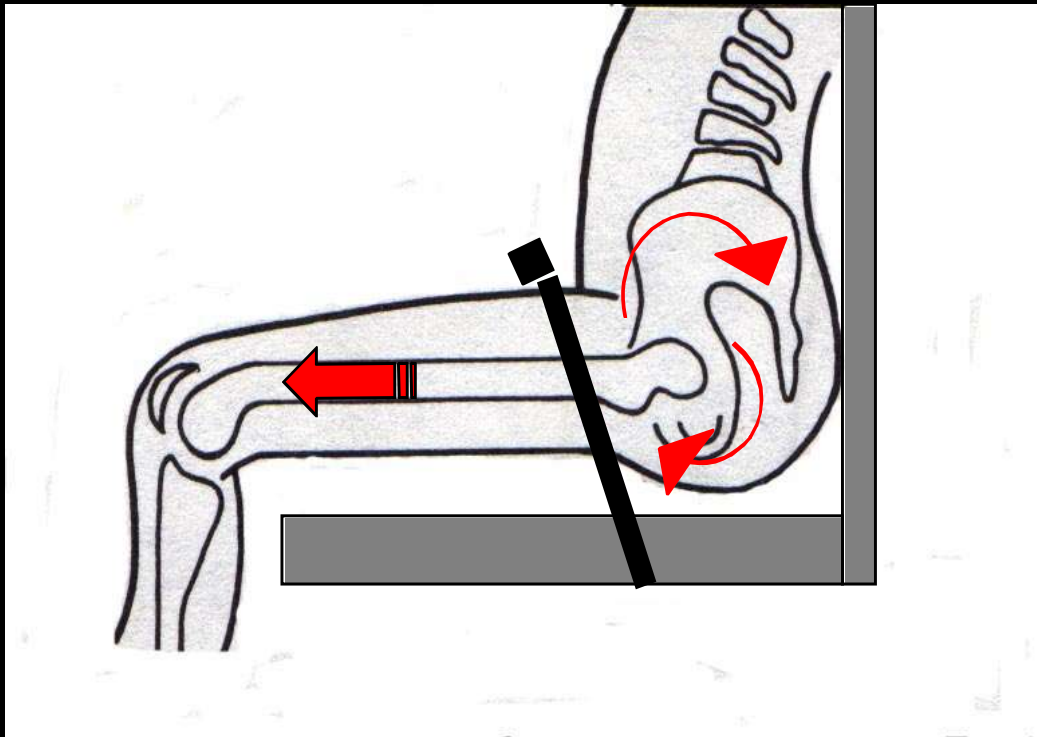
Pelvis Movement During Extensor Thrust Activity



Force at Thigh
and Backrest
During Extension

Pelvis Moves Up,
Out and Rotates

Variations of Belt Angle

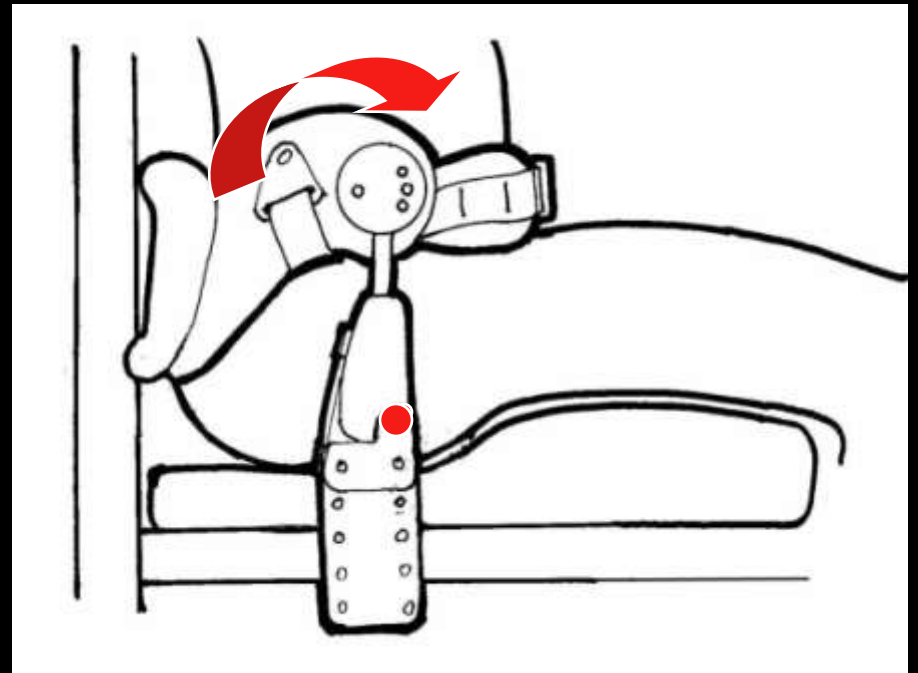
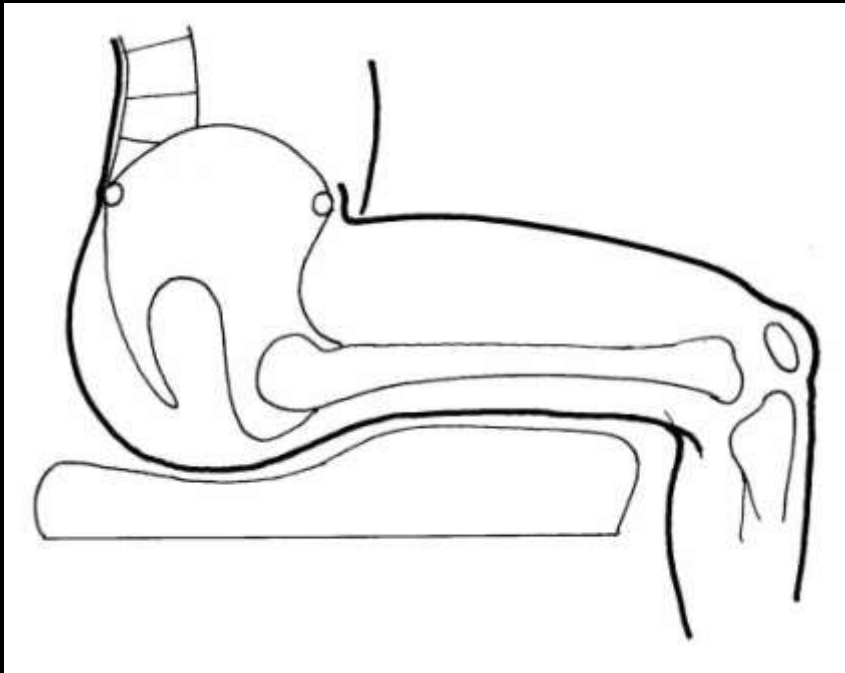


Downward Pull
Limits Upward
Movement

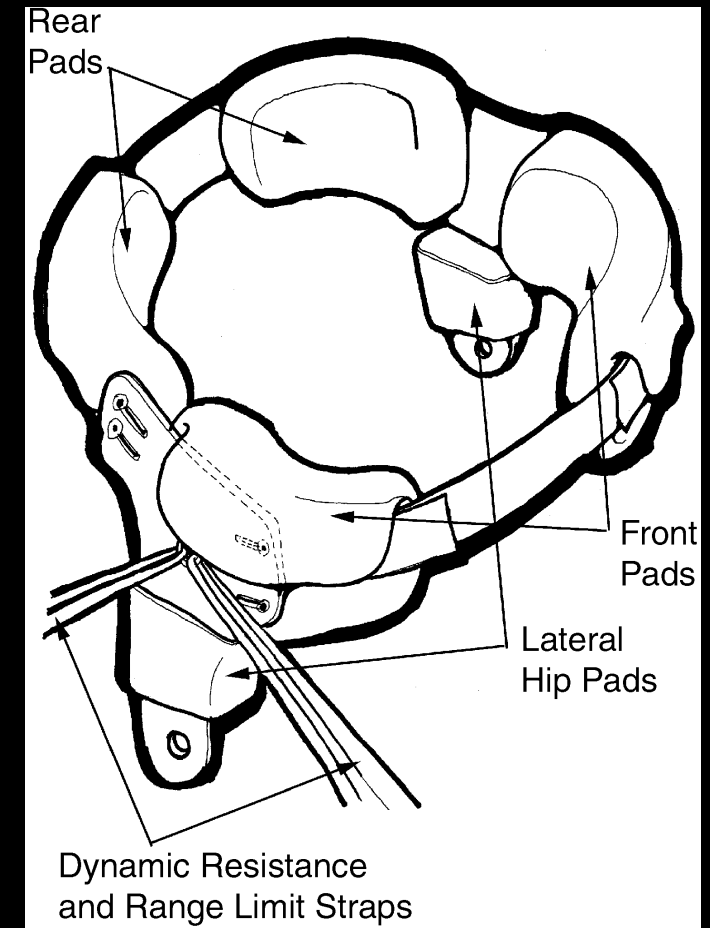
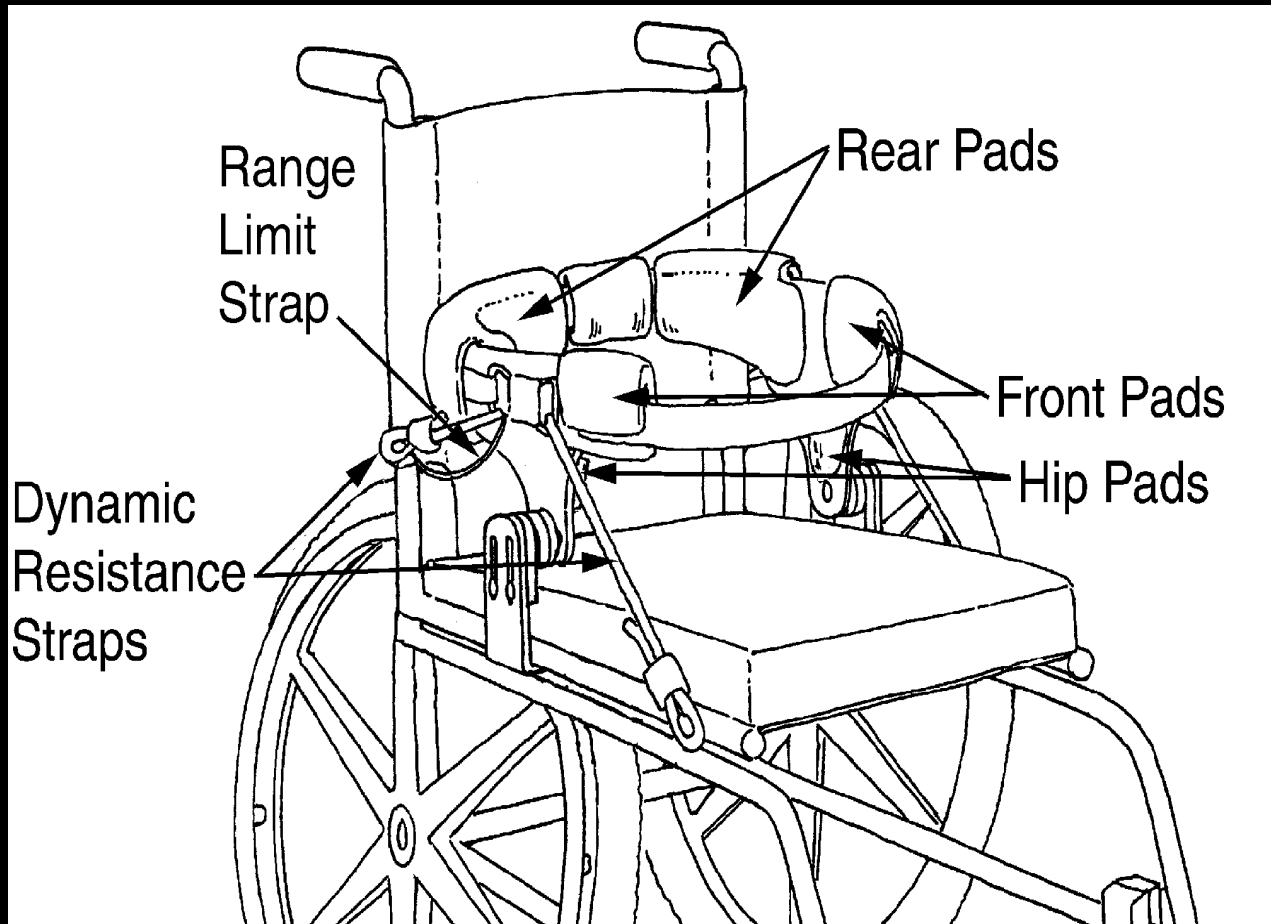
Allows Posterior
Pelvic Rotation

Limits Full Anterior
ROM

HipGrip Concept



HipGrip Ph1 - Prototype 2



What Is the HipGrip?



- Dynamic Pelvic Support
- Provides Pelvic Stability
- Allows Controlled Anterior Tilt ROM



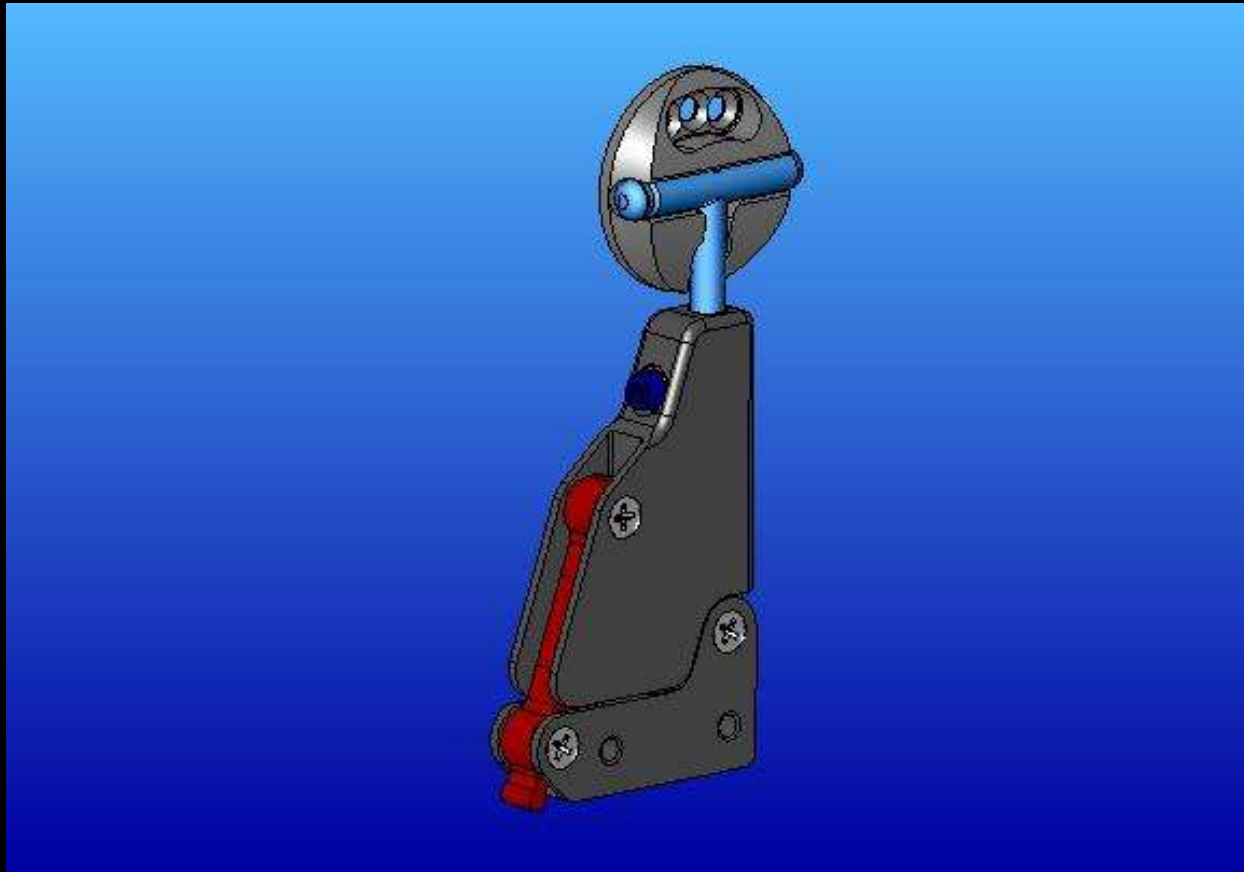
Hip Grip Components



Modular Hardware



Pivot Bracket Current Design



HipGrip Test Fixture



HipGrip



The HipGrip is a postural seating device designed to help control pelvic position and provide stability while in a wheelchair while allowing range of motion and movement in anterior and posterior pelvic tilt.

Available from
Bodypoint

Functional Forward Reach



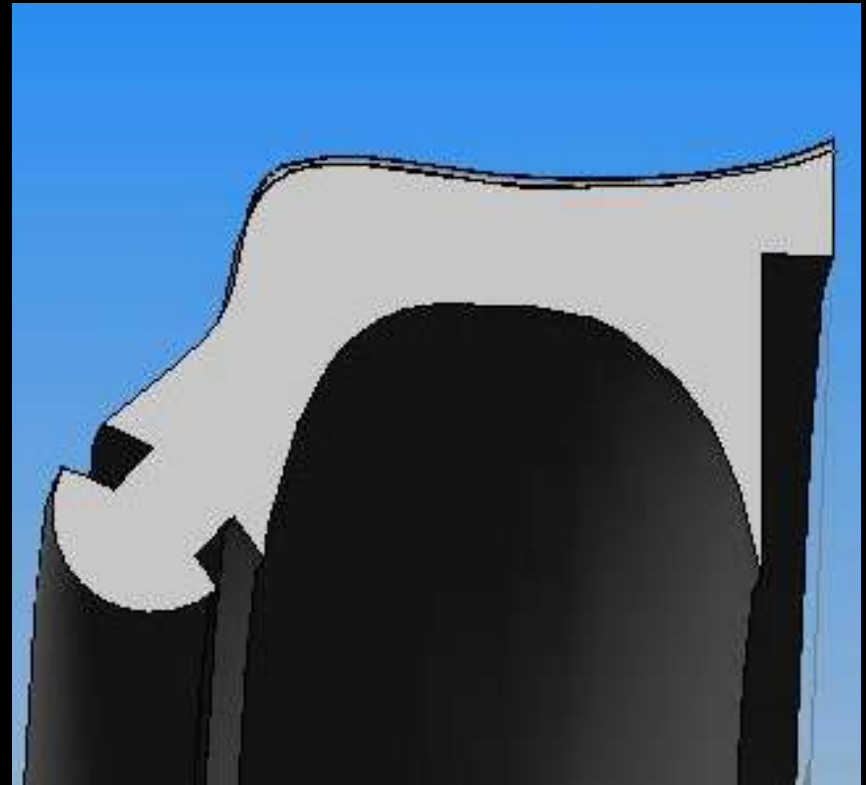
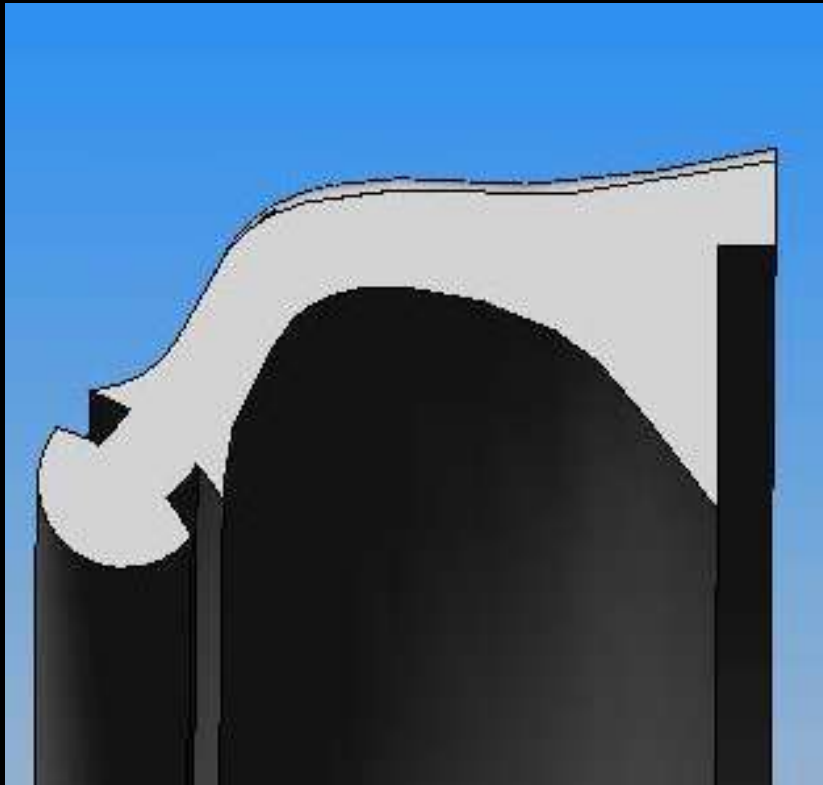
Functional Reach Downward



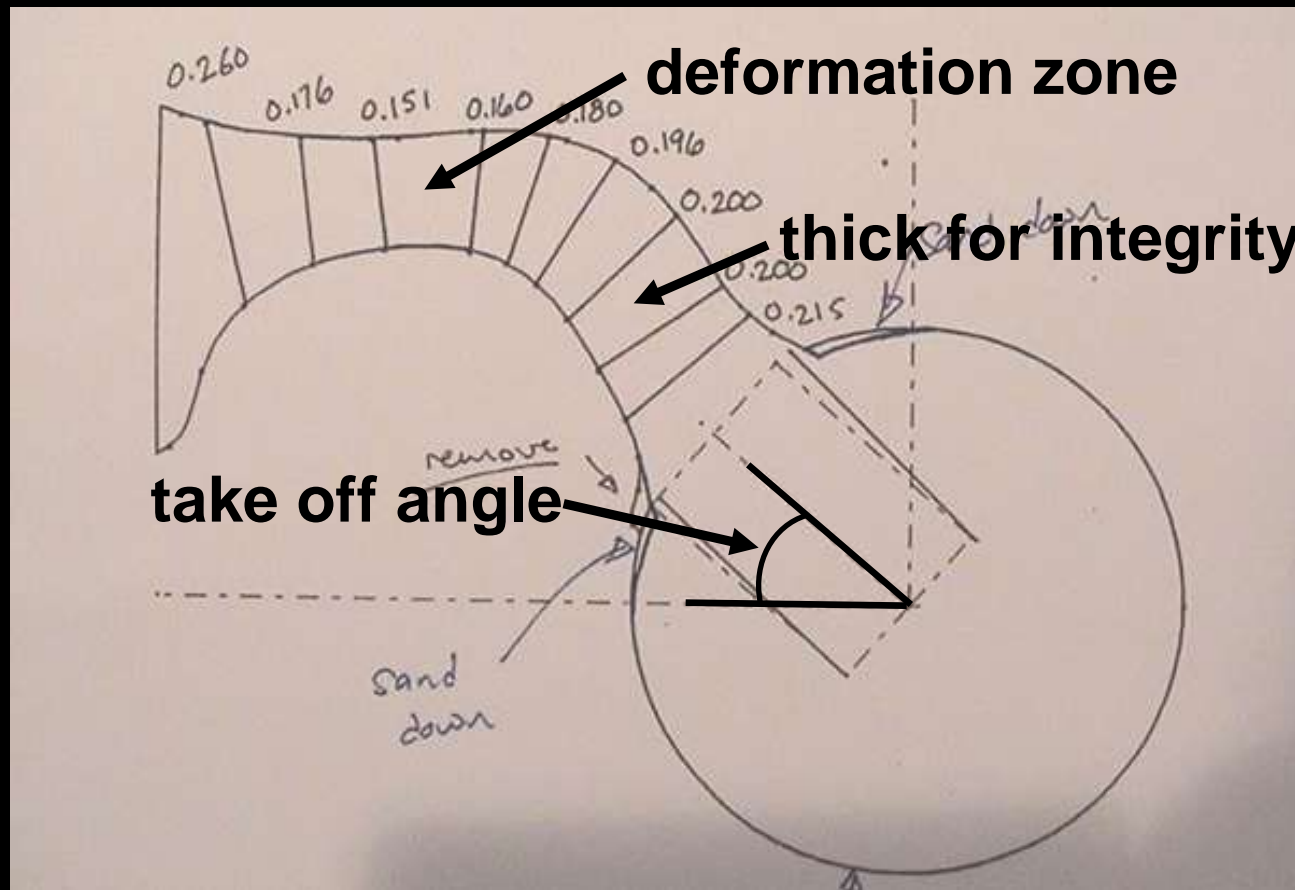
FlexRim – Combining the discrete compliant fasteners into one



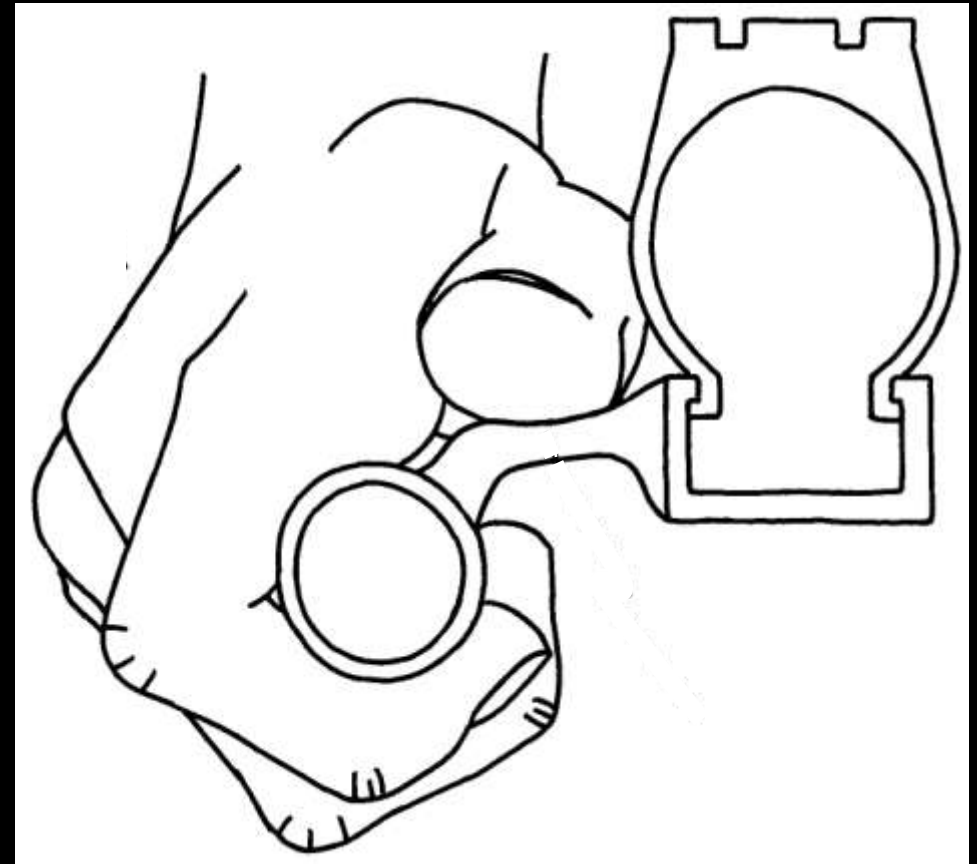
**The best profiles were
fully developed and
tested**



The subtle details of the final profile were refined

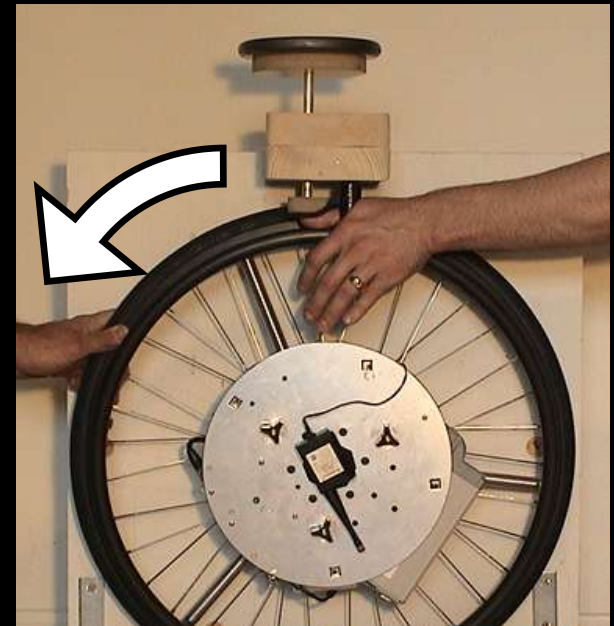


FlexRim Ergonomic Pushrim

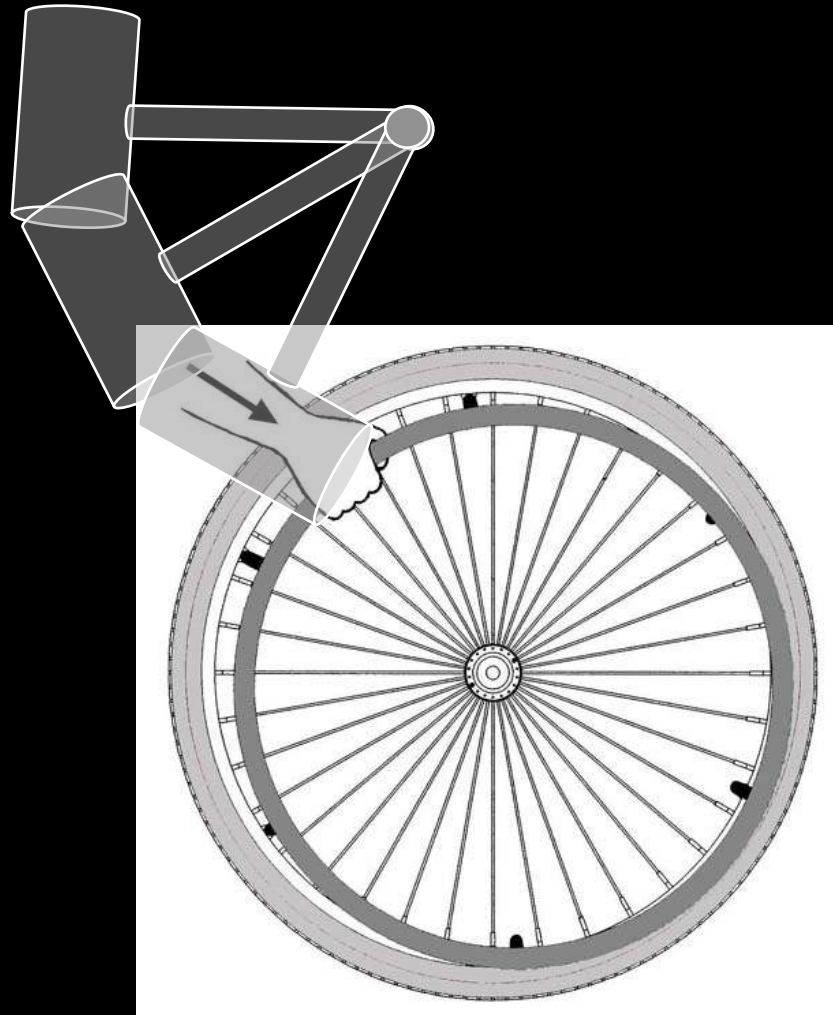


Frictional improvements

Preliminary tests show over a 2x increased frictional coefficient



Impact absorption



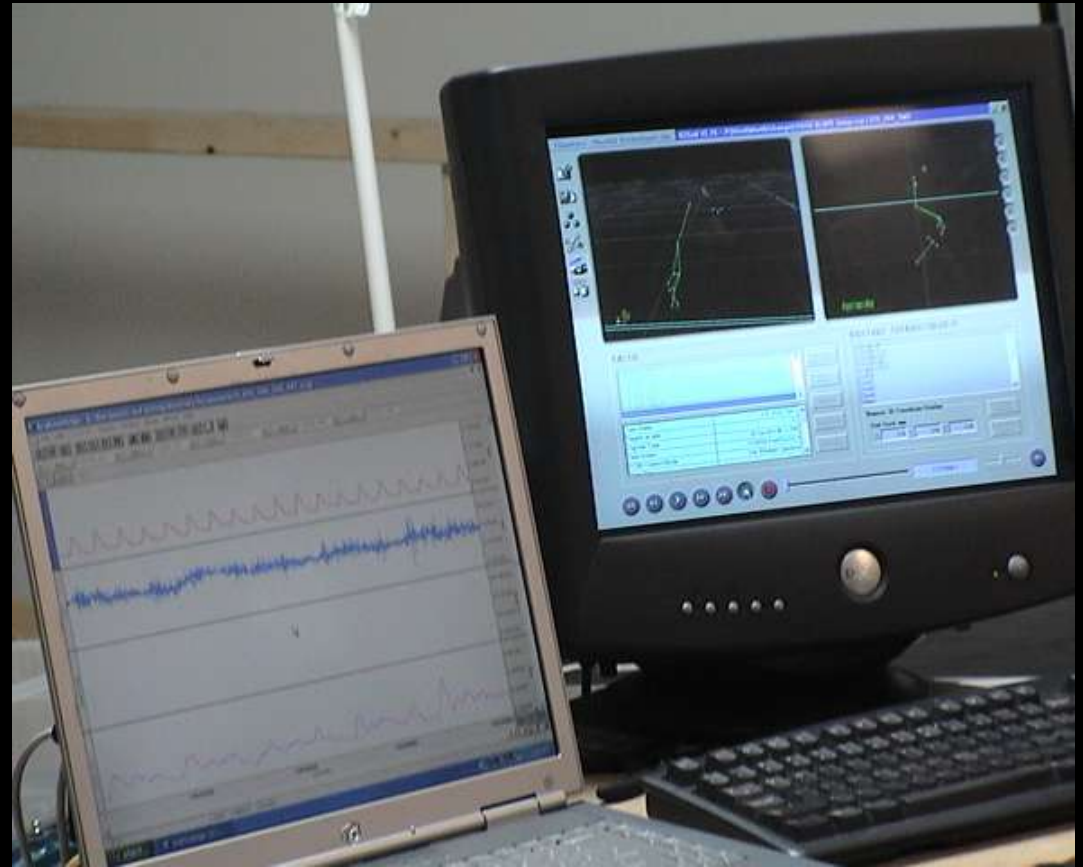
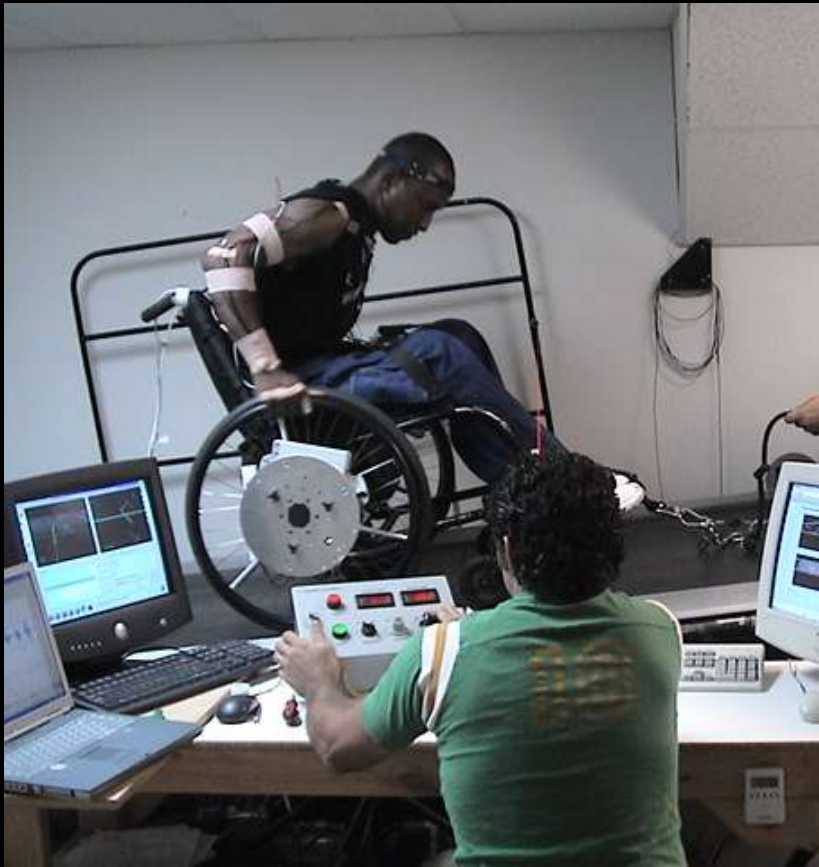
Applied a 120 lb repetitive load in one place until failure

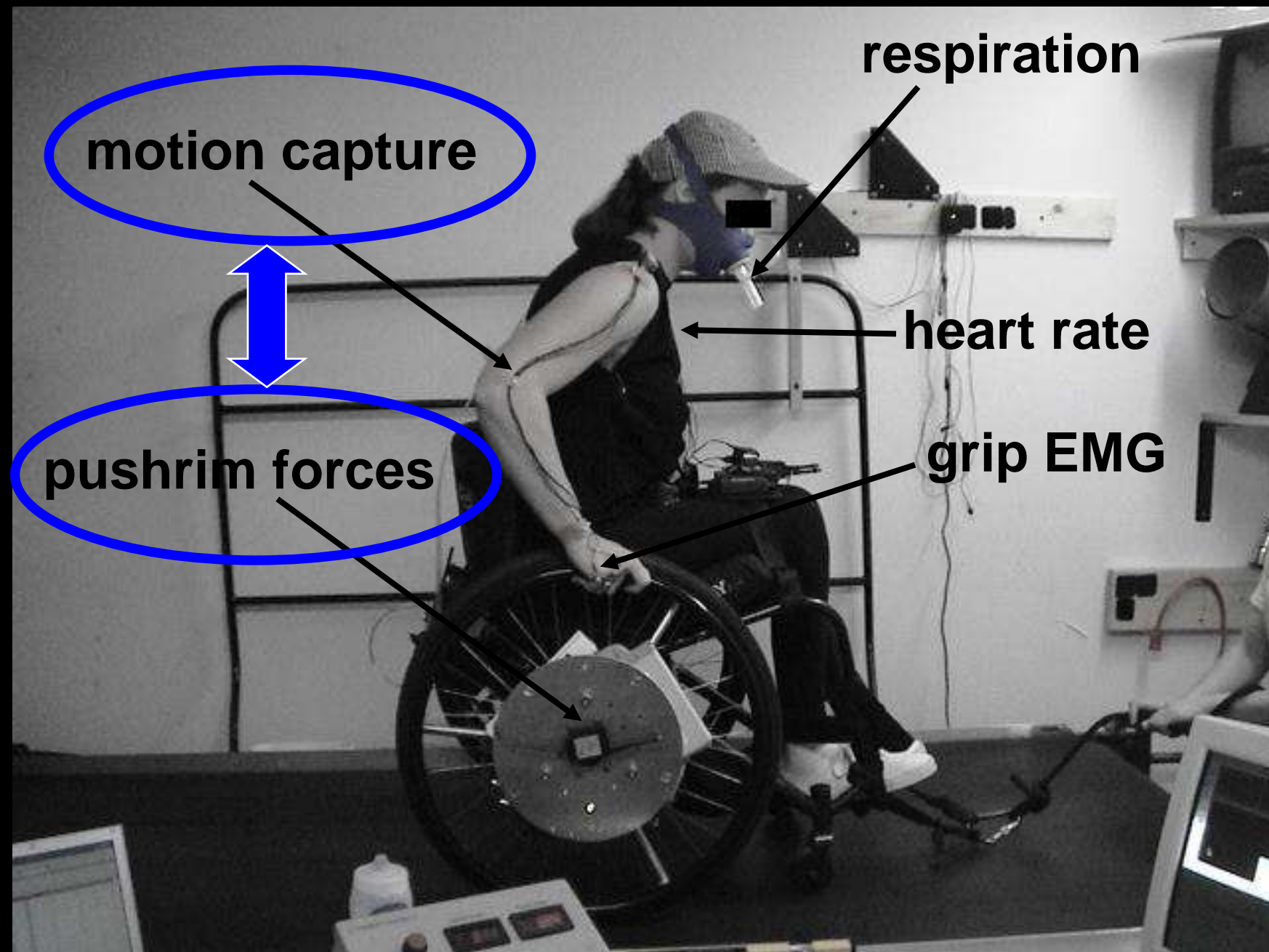


Pushrim cracked
after 444,072 cycles



Subjects are tested over a wide variety of usage environments





Baseline study – FlexRim



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FlexRim

Design

The FlexRim consists of a durable high friction rubber surface that spans between the aluminum pushrim and the wheel. The shape of the rubber is ergonomically designed to conform to your hand when gripped, making it the most comfortable pushrim you will ever use.

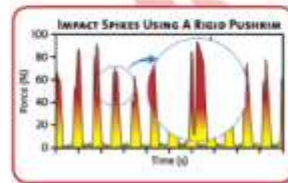


Because the rubber is flexible, the pushrim can compress to allow your wheelchair to squeeze through narrow doorways.



Overuse Injuries

Shoulder and wrist problems are very common among wheelchair users. Impact loading is one of the contributing factors. Your hands and arms absorb impact spikes when you first hit the pushrim, illustrated in the graph below.



- Reducing impact is one strategy recommended to help protect you from developing overuse injuries.

Impact Testing

Impact loading of the FlexRim was studied for a wide range of impact intensities.

- The FlexRim was found to consistently **reduce impact loading by 10%.**



Propulsion Testing

In lab testing, wheelchair users pushed with both a standard pushrim and the FlexRim on a research treadmill. Grip muscle activity, oxygen demand and power generated were all measured during propulsion and compared across pushrims.



Results of the testing were:

- Users required **12% less grip force** to push with the FlexRim.
- Overall **grip exertion was reduced by 15%.**
- On average users required **12% less oxygen** to push with the FlexRim than with a standard pushrim.
- Users generated **18% more power** when using the FlexRim.

The ergonomic benefits of the FlexRim have been published in numerous scientific journals and in a PhD dissertation at Stanford University.

FLEXRIM
BY INNOVATION
Advanced Ergonomics



GripRim



Benefits of a Universal Design Canoe Seat for Paddler Function

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Adaptive Canoe Seating



Available from
Chosen Valley
Canoe Accessories

Universal Canoe Seating System Components

Bench Seat with
Sidewall
Brackets



Universal Canoe Seating System Components



Pelvic and
Low Back Support

Universal Canoe Seating System Components

Upper Back and
Lateral Thoracic
Support









Methods - Endurance

MedGraphics VO2000
portable metabolic
system

Resting, self-selected
paddling, and self-
selected pace + 20%



Methods - Strength



Dynamic power
from Concept2
rowing ergometer
Maximal isometric
paddle pull

Lateral Balance Test



Water Egress Testing

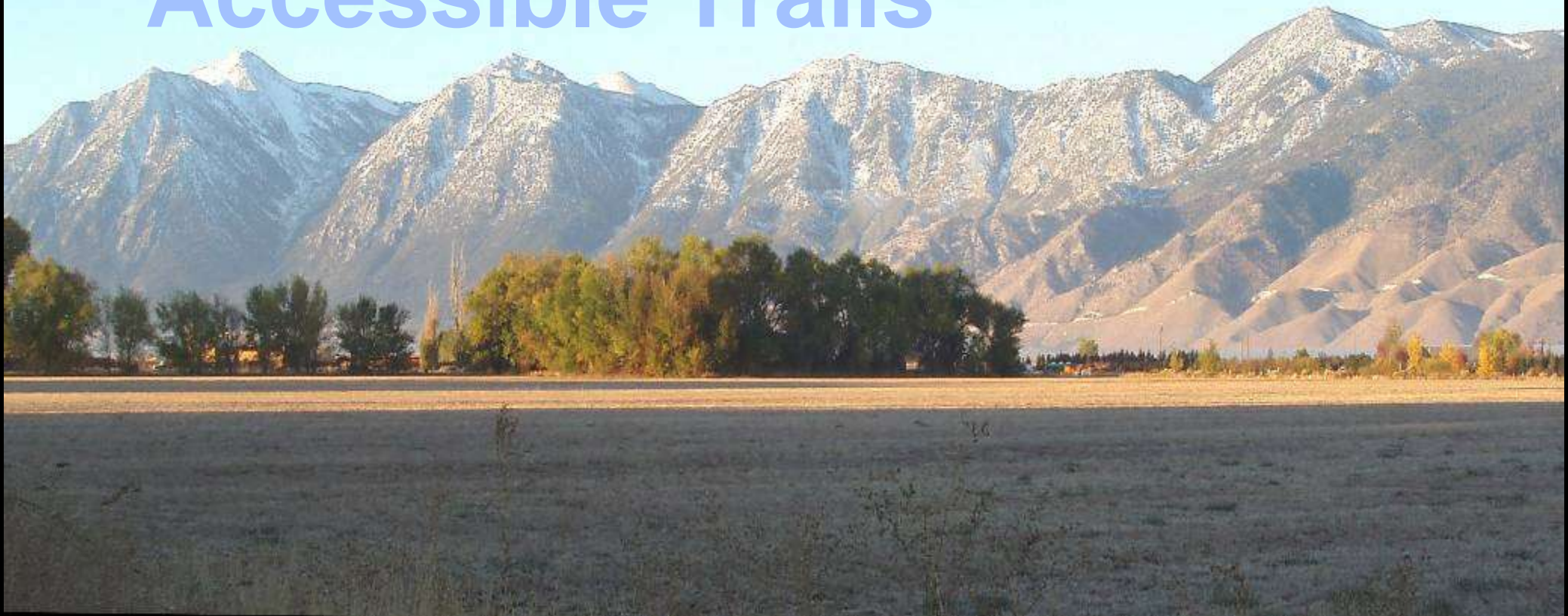




Wave Ski



Tools and Technology for Accessible Trails



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Universal Trail Assessment Process



Universal Trail Assessment Process (UTAP)



Objective measurement system for trails

Proven accuracy and reliability

Simple, inexpensive tools

All trail data in one assessment
(mapping, interpretation, access, etc.)



Key UTAP Information

Length



Grade



Width



Surface



Cross
slope



Features &
Facilities



UTAP Assessment Team



UTAP – Implementation Status

Over 1200 people trained to lead UTAP
assessments

Over 155 trainers to teach UTAP
workshops



TrailWare Station Data Entry

Warning, required station data missing

Park List Park Info Trail List Trail Detail Segments Segment Cover **Stations** Features Reports

Trail Name Pioneer Segment Name 1 Seg Pioneer to Mill Date Apr 22, 2002

Station	Distance	in	pct	pct	pct	ft	pct	ft	in	Re-order
0	Tread Width	X-Slope	Surface Category	Type	+/- Typ Grade	Compass Fwd	Back	Max X-Slope Magnitude	Max Grade Length	MCW
Distance	60	1.9	Firm	Soil	1.5	132	131			
35	Tread Width	X-Slope	Surface Category	Type	+/- Typ Grade	Compass Fwd	Back	Max X-Slope Magnitude	Max Grade Length	MCW
Distance	60	2.1	Firm	Soil	1.0	146	147			
112	Tread Width	X-Slope	Surface Category	Type	+/- Typ Grade	Compass Fwd	Back	Max X-Slope Magnitude	Max Grade Length	MCW
Distance	60	1.6	Firm	Soil	1.5	150	151	6.8	8	
149	Tread Width	X-Slope	Surface Category	Type	+/- Typ Grade	Compass Fwd	Back	Max X-Slope Magnitude	Max Grade Length	MCW
Distance	60	1.4	Firm	Soil	0.0	150	150		9.1	
227	Tread Width	X-Slope	Surface Category	Type	+/- Typ Grade	Compass Fwd	Back	Max X-Slope Magnitude	Max Grade Length	MCW
Distance	55	1.8	Firm	Soil	-1.0	141	142			
318	Tread Width	X-Slope	Surface Category	Type	+/- Typ Grade	Compass Fwd	Back	Max X-Slope Magnitude	Max Grade Length	MCW
Distance	55	2.3	Firm	Soil	-1.5	127	127			

2264 Final Distance

Add Station

Finish Entry

Help

Exit TW

Blue shading: Fields exported to Trail Explorer or used in Trail Explorer calculations
 Yellow shading: Calculated fields, also used in Trail Explorer
 Red buttons: Warning - required station data is missing



TrailWare Feature Data Entry

Required feature data omitted

Help

Exit TW

Park List Park Info Trail List Trail Detail Segments Segment Cover Stations **Features** Reports

Trail Name Segment Name Date

Feature Distance	T/V Zone	Feature Type	Feature Description	Size L x W x H				Count/ Qty	End Distance	Remain Tread	Built Feature Access	Action Required	Materials	!! Add Info
0	T	Trailhead	Parking Lot											<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
0	V	Restroom	Chemical Toilet					1			Yes			<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
47	V	Picnic Table	Wooden					2						<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
53	V	Scenic Viewpoint	Mt. Cora						149					<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
69	T	Root	Multiple Roots	14	5	6	in	5	83	38				<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
130	V	Bench	Back and armrests	60	18	18	in	1						<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
199	T	Rock	Small Boulder	13	12	16	in	1		48		Remove		<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
239	V	Bench	Back and armrests	60	18	18	in	1						<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
334	T	Waterbar	4 X 4 Plank	4	54	8		1		0				<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
338	T	Erosion	Center of Trail	10	8	12	in					Monitor		<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
416	T	Minimum Clearance	Boulder- large, centered in path	40	22	20	in					Remove		<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="button" value="go"/> <input type="button" value="trash"/>
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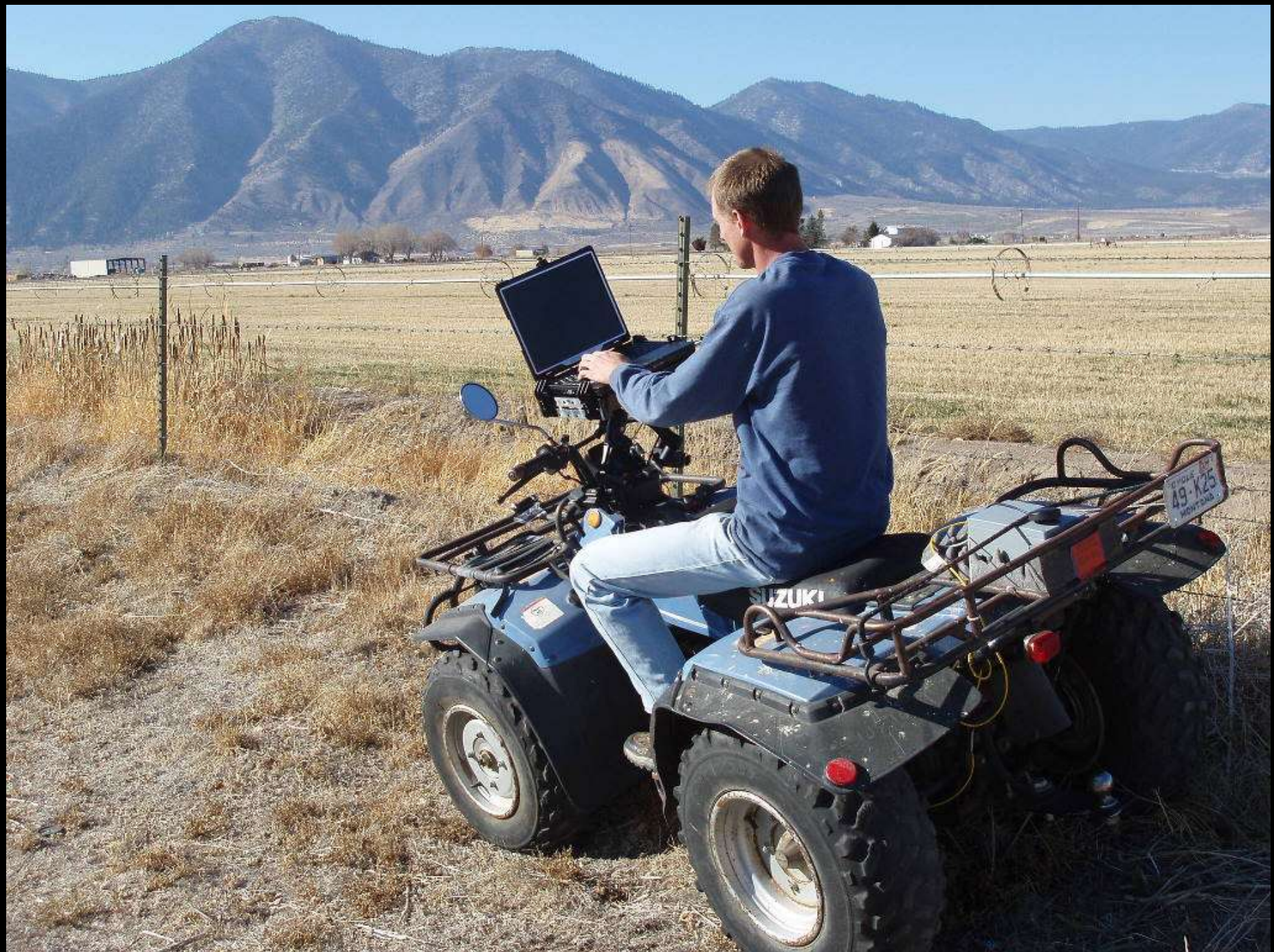
High Efficiency Trail Assessment Process

USDA SBIR Phase II

HETAP- Rollawheel







**Last Station
Recorded**

25

Paved

Ice

0.0 Ft

-1.3 %

2.1 %

Copy Surf. Data ->**Tread Width:****Surface Category:****Surface Type:****Distance:****Grade:****Cross Slope:****Current Station
To Record**

25

in

Set MCW

Paved

Ice

7.2 Ft

-0.7 %

0.8 %

Record Station**Add Features****Return Home****Distance Hold****Manual Entry****View Data****Alarm Settings****Browse Images****New Segment****Current Segment:**

2 Joggin Lampe 2007-06-12

Outslope**Check Outslope Direction**

<- Left

Right ->

Vehicle Orientation☒ **Forwards**☐ **Backwards****Show Camera Preview****Compass Heading:** ° True**GPS Location and Status****Lat:****Lon:****Apprx. Err:****Elev:**

Error: Garmin GPS is not connected

Distance: 7.2 Ft

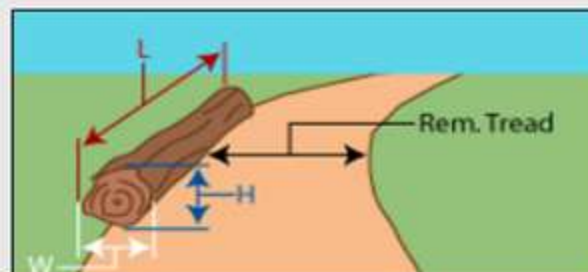
Type:

Description:

Zone

☐ Trail Bed ☐ Visual

Dimensions

L W H Units of Measure: Remaining Tread: 

Quantity: Ending Distance: (to the nearest foot)

1 ☐ End Distance Reminder

Optional Data

Recommended Action: Materials Needed:

For a Built Feature: Is this feature Accessible?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ This is not a Built Feature

	Distance	Feature Type	E D
1	7.2	Landslide	<input type="checkbox"/>

Record Feature

Stations

Manual Entry

Edit Feature

Copy Feature

Delete Feature

Rotational Penetrometer Data

Edit Feature Notes

Show Camera Preview









ASTM F 1951–99

American Society for Testing and
Materials (ASTM)

Standard specification for
determination of accessibility of
surface systems under and around
playground equipment

Rotational Penetrometer



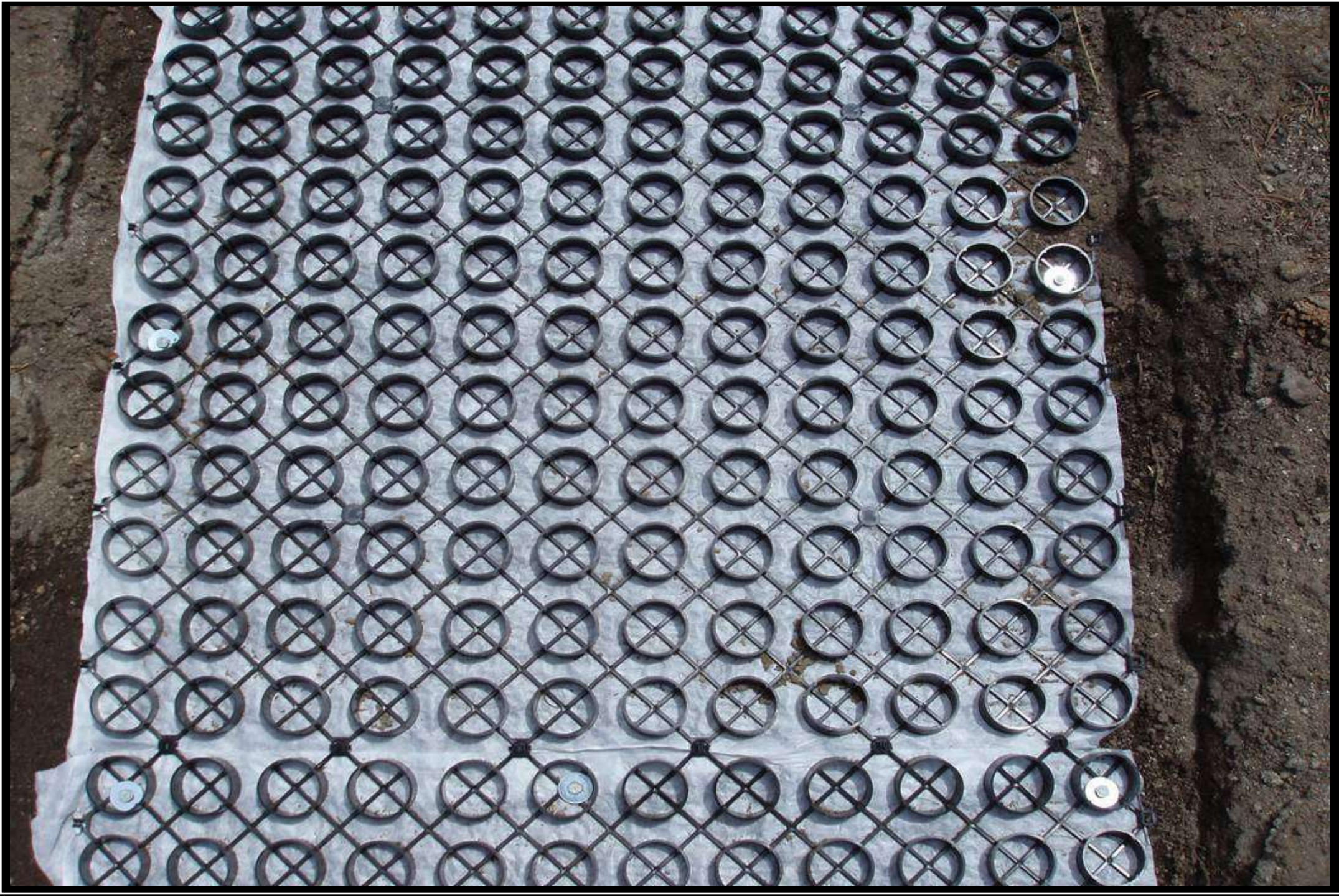
Objective surface
measurement device

Draft Standard for
firmness with stability
measurement under
development

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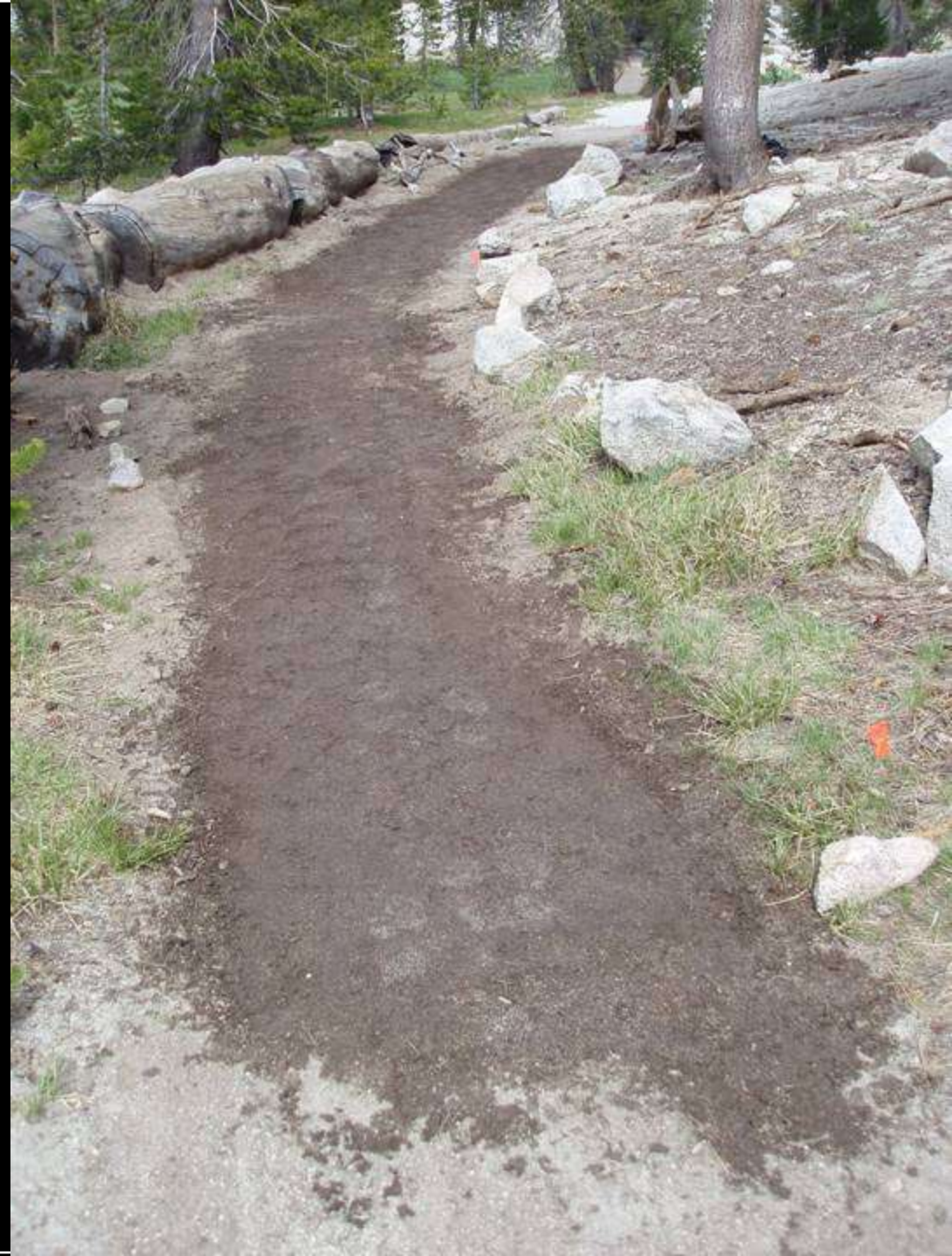
Gravelpave2 Before Installation







Gravelpave2 After Installation



Rotational Penetrometer Readings-Gravelpave 2

Before Application

Firmness	Stability
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0.18	0.77
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0.17	0.87
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0.17	0.77
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0.18	0.88
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0.18	0.79
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0.18	Avg	0.82
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After Application

Firmness	Stability
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0.17	0.37
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0.17	0.38
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0.18	0.42
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0.17	0.35
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0.18	0.40
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0.17	Avg	0.38
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A photograph of a mountain landscape. In the foreground, a dirt trail with deep ruts runs from the bottom center towards the middle ground. To the left of the trail, a small stream flows through a field of dry, brownish vegetation. The background features a large, rocky mountain with patches of snow or light-colored rock, and a line of evergreen trees at its base. The sky is overcast.

Trail Rutting and Braiding

New Boardwalk Substructure



Side View



$\frac{1}{4}$ Mile Long





Barrier at Riverview Park



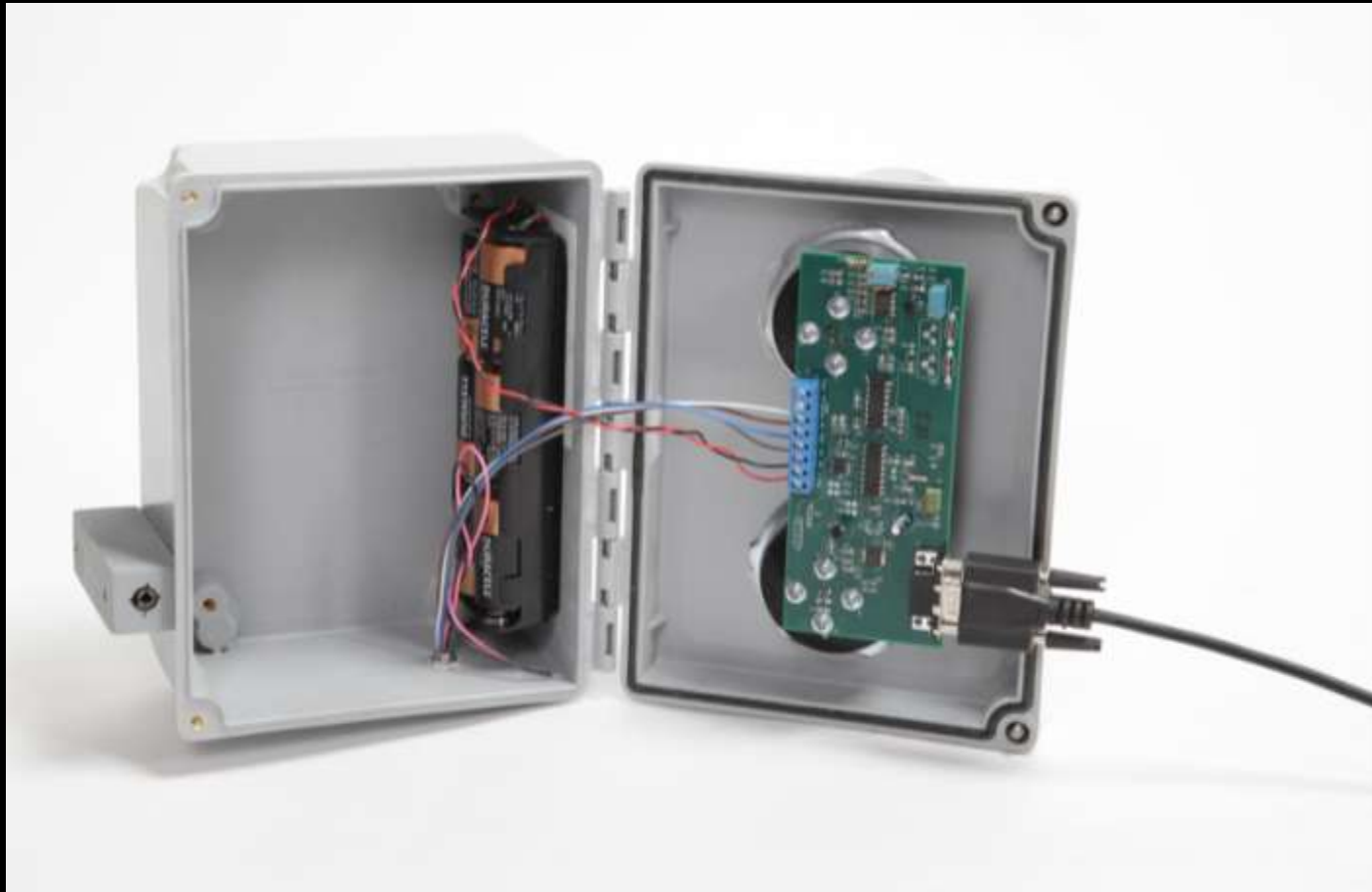
Third Inverted Bollard Design

Motorcycle Testing

Electronic Gate Barrier



Pedestrian and Motorized Vehicle Trail Traffic Counter



10X1402



Narrow Trails



Color and Logos



South Fork State Recreation Area

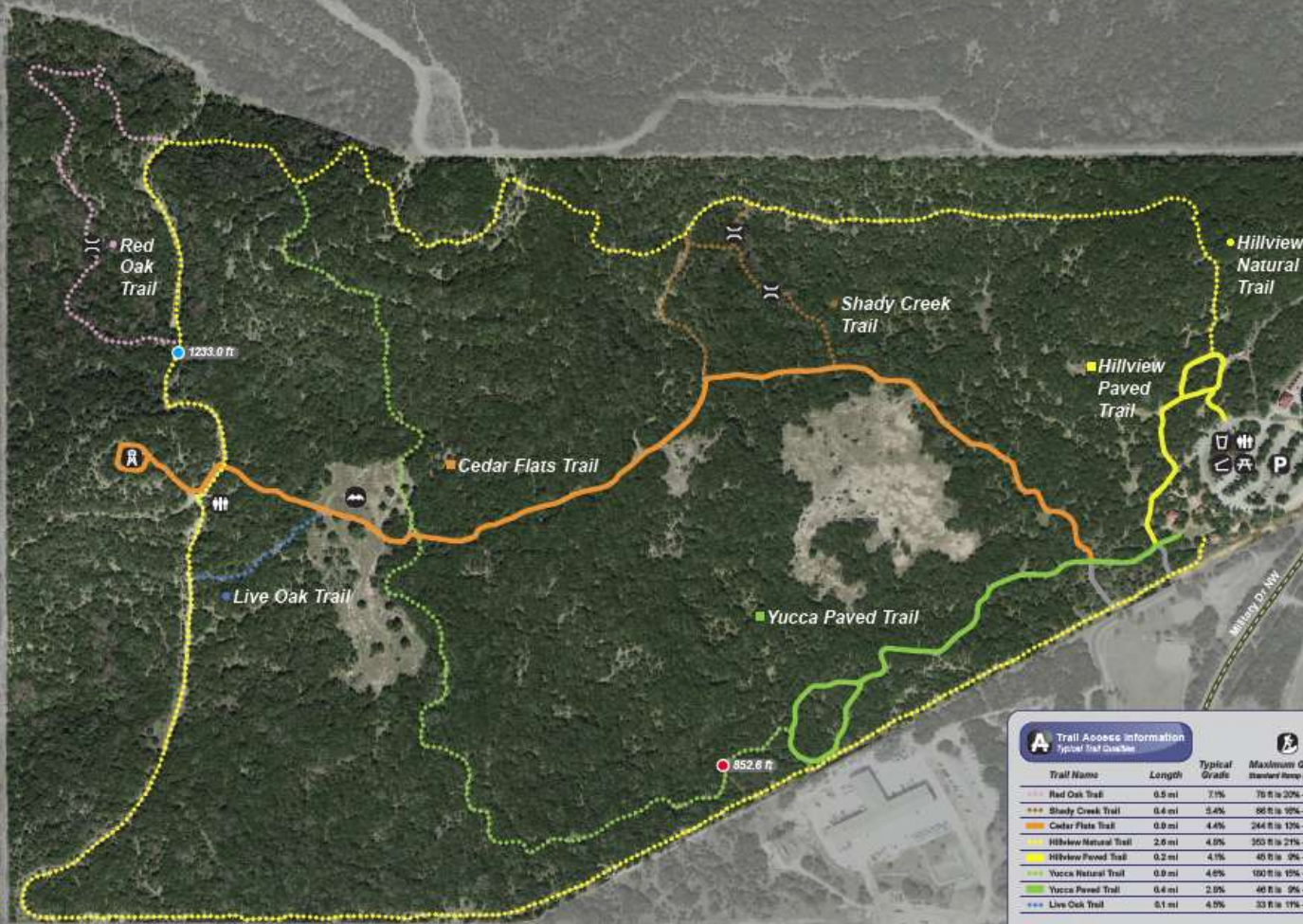


Eisenhower Park



LEGEND

- No Bikes
- Tower
- Bridge
- Parking
- Restroom
- Picnic Area
- Bat Houses
- Park Entrance
- Drinking Water
- Shelter/Pavilion
- Highest Elev.
- Lowest Elev.
- Natural Trail
- Paved Trail
- Road



A Trail Access Information Typical Trail Overview

Trail Name	Length	Typical Grade	Maximum Grade (steepest slope is 9.3%)	Typical Cross Slope	Maximum Cross Slope	Typical Trail Width	Minimum Clearance Width	Surface Type
Red Oak Trail	0.5 mi	7.1%	75 ft to 20% - 29%	5.7%	75 ft to 20% - 22%	48 in	48 in	Asphalt
Shady Creek Trail	0.4 mi	5.4%	80 ft to 15% - 25%	4.4%	145 ft to 12% - 17%	44 in	36 in	Asphalt
Cedar Flats Trail	0.8 mi	4.4%	244 ft to 12% - 21%	3.4%	87 ft to 9% - 12%	88 in	84 in	Asphalt
Hillview Natural Trail	2.6 mi	4.8%	353 ft to 21% - 27%	3.9%	231 ft to 9% - 26%	55 in	36 in	Gravel/Stone
Hillview Paved Trail	0.2 mi	4.1%	45 ft to 9% - 14%	3.3%	332 ft to 6% - 12%	38 in	36 in	Asphalt
Yucca Natural Trail	0.8 mi	4.8%	190 ft to 15% - 35%	3.7%	150 ft to 12% - 24%	54 in	30 in	Red Clay
Yucca Paved Trail	0.4 mi	2.9%	45 ft to 9% - 11%	2.9%	231 ft to 6% - 8%	55 in	36 in	Asphalt
Live Oak Trail	0.1 mi	4.9%	33 ft to 11% - 19%	4.2%	85 ft to 10% - 19%	60 in	60 in	Red Clay

McAllister Park

North

0 ft 800 ft

LEGEND

- Parking
- Dog Park
- Restroom
- Picnic Area
- Park Entrance
- Drinking Water
- Shelter/Pavilion
- Baseball Field
- Soccer Field
- Playground
- Minor Trail
- Creek
- Road

Trail Access Information

Trail Name	Length	Typical Grade	Maximum Grade Steepest Ramp is 8.2%	Typical Cross Slope	Maximum Cross Slope	Typical Trail Width	Minimum Clearance Width	Surface Type
Blue Loop	5.8 mi	3.2%	781 ft in 13% - 30%	3.6%	841 ft in 12% - 26%	43 ft	24 in	Soil
Baseball Field Trail	1.5 mi	1.2%	145 ft in 0% - 9%	1.0%	259 ft in 0% - 8%	72 ft	72 in	Asphalt
Mud Creek Loop	1.5 mi	3.8%	181 ft in 13% - 34%	3.8%	473 ft in 9% - 22%	24 ft	24 ft	Soil
Salado Creek Greenway North	2.4 mi	1.8%	94 ft in 0% - 11%	1.5%	113 ft in 0% - 8%	10 ft	10 ft	Asphalt
Playground Trail	1.0 mi	1.0%	60 ft in 0% - 10%	2.5%	304 ft in 0% - 14%	64 ft	72 in	Asphalt
Dog Park	0.2 mi	1.4%	100% of trail is < 5%	1.8%	30 ft in 0%	109 ft	100 ft	Asphalt
Red Trail	1.7 mi	3.7%	187 ft in 13% - 22%	3.4%	138 ft in 9% - 27%	24 ft	24 ft	Soil



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Trail	Park	Nearest Town(s) State	Length	Uses	Typical Grade	Surface Firmness	Trail Information
Trail 10	McCormick's Creek State Park	IN	0.7 miles (1.1 km)	Hiking	3.3%	Firm	Trail 10 begins near the stairs on Trail 3. The trail follows McCormick's Creek downstream to the Old Statehouse Quarry and Trail 2. Depending on the season and water levels, that trail borders the creek, crosses the creek numerous times, or is completely in the creekbed.
Trail 8	McCormick's Creek State Park	IN	0.7 miles (1.1 km)	Hiking	2.3%	Paved	Trail 8 connects the campground to the swimming pool and Nature Center. Pine Bluff Shelter and picnic/playground area can be reached from the trail.
Trail A	McCormick's Creek State Park	IN	0.2 miles (0.3 km)	Hiking	2.2%	Firm	Trail A is a connector trail from the Class A campground to Trail 7.
Trail 6	Spring Mill State Park	IN	0.4 miles (0.7 km)	Hiking	2.3%	Paved	Trail 6 is a paved loop trail near the Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom Memorial.
Trail 7	Spring Mill State Park	IN	0.9 miles (1.5 km)	Hiking	3.3%	Firm	Trail 7 loops around the Oak Ridge Picnic Area and connects with Trail 7 Spur that leads to Trail 4.
Trail 7 Spur to Trail 4	Spring Mill State Park	IN	0.4 miles (0.6 km)	Hiking	3.9%	Firm	Trail 7 Spur connects Trail 7 from the Oak Ridge Picnic Area to Trail 4
Trail 10 Spur to Camels Back	Turkey Run State Park	IN	0.1 miles (0.2 km)	Hiking	0.9%	Firm	The spur to Camel's Back begins at the junction of Trail 10. The short trail ends at Camel's Back. There is an observation deck and bench.
Trail 11	Turkey Run State Park	IN	0.2 miles (0.3 km)	Hiking	3.1%	Firm	Trail 11 starts from the Service Road besides the Turkey Run Inn. A short hike about Turkey Run Hollow to the Lieber Memorial and Log Church.
Trail 7 Spur to Campground	Turkey Run State Park	IN	0.1 miles (0.2 km)	Hiking	3.3%	Firm	Connector trail between the Campground and Trail 7.

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Develop standards for trail design

Designing Sidewalks
and Trails for Access
Part I and Part II

Access Board Negotiated Rulemaking
Committee

Feedback on US Forest Service
guidelines



ADA Recreation Trail

Grade

up to 30% of length $> 8.33\%$

5% for any distance

8.33% for 200 feet

10% for 30 feet

12.5% for 10 feet

14% for 5 feet in drains if cross slope $< 5\%$

ADA Recreation Trail

Cross Slope

5%

10% in drains if width > 42 inches

Rest Areas

60 inches length, trail width, 5% slope

Edge Protection

3 inches minimum height when provided

ADA Outdoor Access Route

Surface

firm and stable

Width

36 inches

exception 32 inches for up to 24 inches

Openings

< 0.5 inch sphere















Surface Transition: Perpendicular Setback Turning Space

Date _____

Data Recorder _____

SURFACE TRANSITION LOCATION

Zone Name: _____

Feature Name: _____

Location Description: _____

Corner of Intersection: N S W E
NW NE SW SE

GPS - Elevation _____

Lat: _____

Long: _____

Location Category:

- ☐ Corner Diagonal ☐ Corner Perp w/out Stop Control ☐ Alleyway
☐ Corner Perpendicular ☐ Midblock ☐ Median Center
☐ Corner Diag w/out Stop Control ☐ Driveway Crossing ☐ Median Corner (Porkchop)

SURFACE TRANSITION CHARACTERISTICS/SIDEWALK ELEMENTS

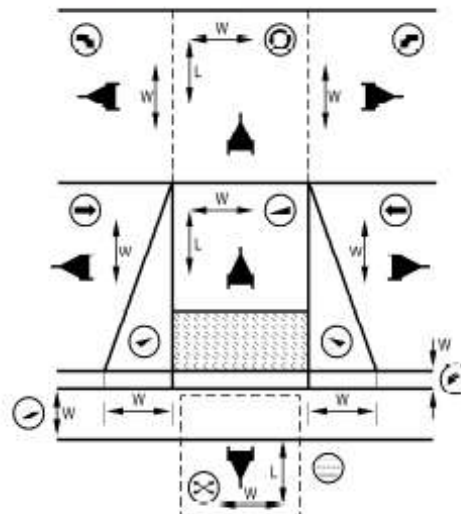
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- ☐ Yes ☐ No Is the Curb Ramps Cross Slope Warped to meet the Roadway Grade?
☐ Yes ☐ No Is the Grade of the Curb Ramp Cut through, built up or does it meet the curb at right angles to the curb?
☐ Yes ☐ No Are the Grade Breaks at the top and bottom of each surface perpendicular to the direction of Ramp Run?
☐ Yes ☐ No Are all surfaces Planar with NO Grade Breaks?
☐ Yes ☐ No Are all the surface slopes that meet at grade breaks flush within 1/4 of an inch?

If No, Explain: _____

Note: Record any surface height transitions over 0.25 inches using a profile gauge. Trace the transition on the back of this form, then indicate the location on the drawing.



	Length	Width	Grade	X-Slope	Surface
Curb Ramp					
Turning Space					
Is the Turning Space constrained at the Back of the Sidewalk? Y / N					
Setback Approach R					
Direct Approach R					
Flare Right			M		
Flare Left			M		
Direct Approach L					
Setback Approach L					
Detectable Warning					
Curb			M		
Gutter			M		
Roadway					
Clear Space					

Draw a line through the row of any component that does not exist for this feature.



BRIGHT TRANSITIONS

Project #: 216-2

Date: 4/27/09

Street Name: OLVA WEST Segment Name: * Distance: 233' 9"

* N COUNTY ROAD TO MACKLAND

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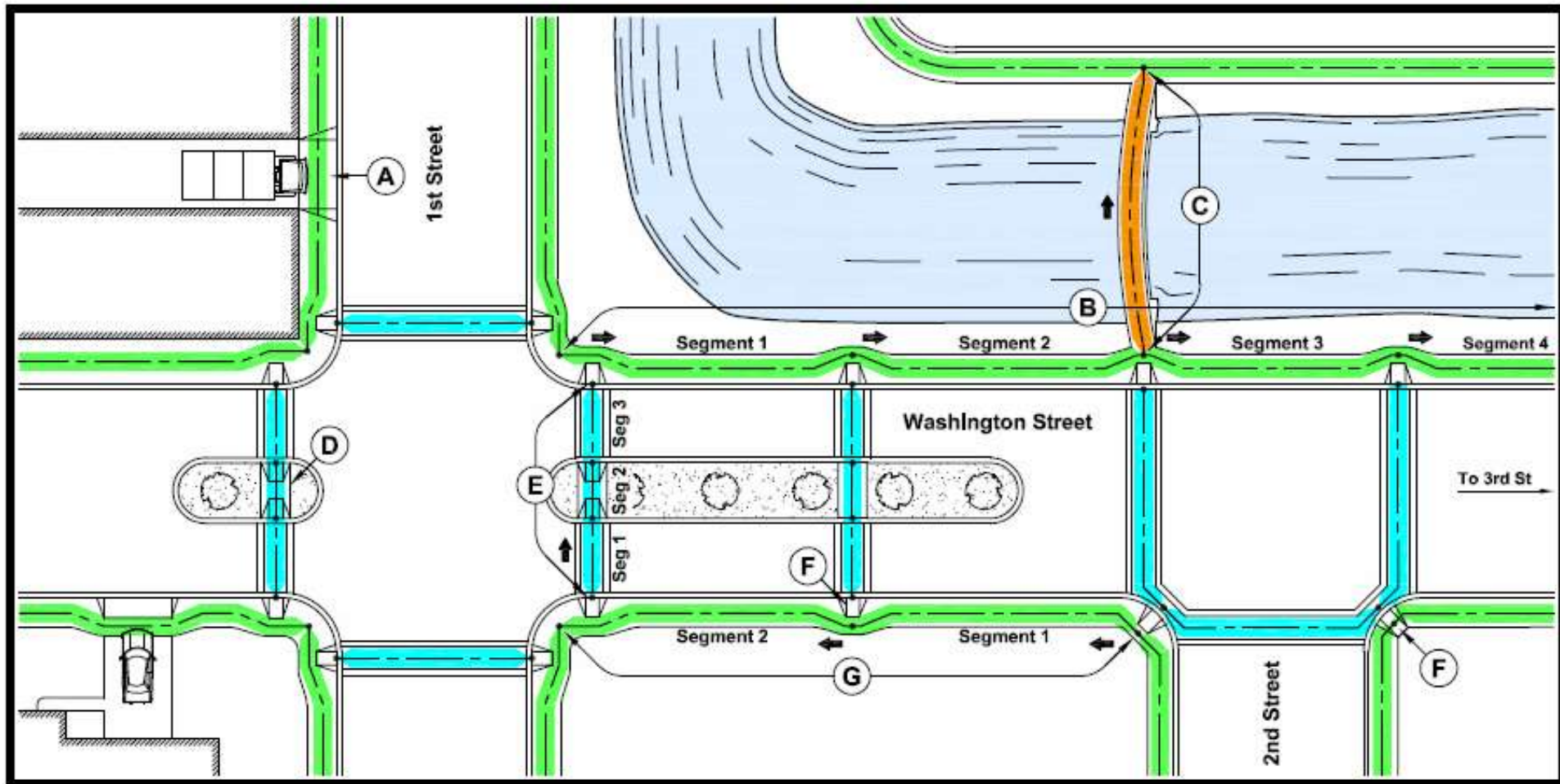
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Pedestrian Zones in the Public Right-of-Way



Legend

- █ Pedestrian Crossing Zone
- █ Sidewalk - PCP Zone
- █ Structure - PCP Zone
- Segment (Best Path of Travel)
- ➔ Direction of Assessment Path

Key Notes

- A- Driveway/Alley Crossing Associated to Sidewalk Zone
- B- Sidewalk Zone: Washington St North side from 1st St to 3rd St
- C- Structure Zone; Pedestrian Bridge on West Side of 2nd St 5ft North of Washington St
- D- Median Surface Transitions Associated to Pedestrian Crossing Zone
- E- Pedestrian Crossing Zone; Crossing Washington St to the North on the East side of 2nd St
- F- Surface Transition Associated to Sidewalk Zone
- G- Sidewalk Zone: Washington St South Side from 2nd St to 1st St



Wheeled Instrument Sensor Package (WISP)



Three wheeled
data collection
cart



**Rear Wheel Distance Encoder
with resolution of 0.1 feet**

Digital Measuring Wheel

Wireless Range of 60 meters

On-Device Field Collection Prompts

Measurement resolution of 0.1 Inches (1 mm)



Digital Height Measuring Device

Same Range and similar
Automatic population of Data

Measure vertical distances
from Zero to 44 inches

Measurement resolution of
.01 inches (0.1 mm)



Stations

Distance	Grade	X-Slope	Tr
159.63 ft	4.1%	4.2%	60
168.47 ft	3.2%	4.1%	60
171.71 ft	3.0%	7.7%	60
176.81 ft	4.2%	2.3%	60
180.45 ft	8.3%	3.7%	60
183.88 ft	7.8%	4.6%	60
188.69 ft	4.5%	6.1%	60

Open Station Grid

Running Features

Start	Length	Type

End Feature

Previous

188.69 ft

4.5%

6.1%

60.0 in

Distance

Live

192.91 ft

Grade

8.2%

Cross Slope

7.5%

Tread Width



Current

Feet

Previous Surface

Concrete

Current Surface



Previous Image



Vehicle Orientation

Backward

Forward

Positive Drainage
Direction

Features

Segments

New Feature

Capture

Record

Close

Grade
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OfflineLatitude
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Offline

Satellites

HDOP

High Contrast

Tree

Bold

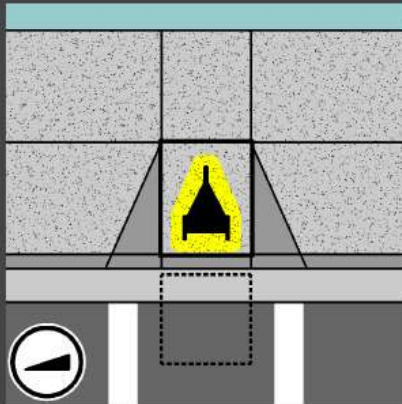
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Data Tree

- ...
- ▼ Town of Minden
 - ▶ Esmerelda Ave S Side f
 - ▶ 6th St E Side from Esm
 - ▶ Test/Sample Data
 - ▶ Town of Gardnerville
 - ▶ Minden BK
 - ▶ Old Data

Field Collection

Position the cart near the center of the surface and record the Grade and Cross Slope values.



Curb Ramp\Grade

8.3%

PROWAG
 ADA 2010
 CBC

Min 5% Max 8.3%
 Min 5% Max 8.3%
 Min 5% Max 8.3%

Curb Ramp\X-Slope

2.0%

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Max 2%
 Max 2%
 Max 2%

Your Comments

Additional Info

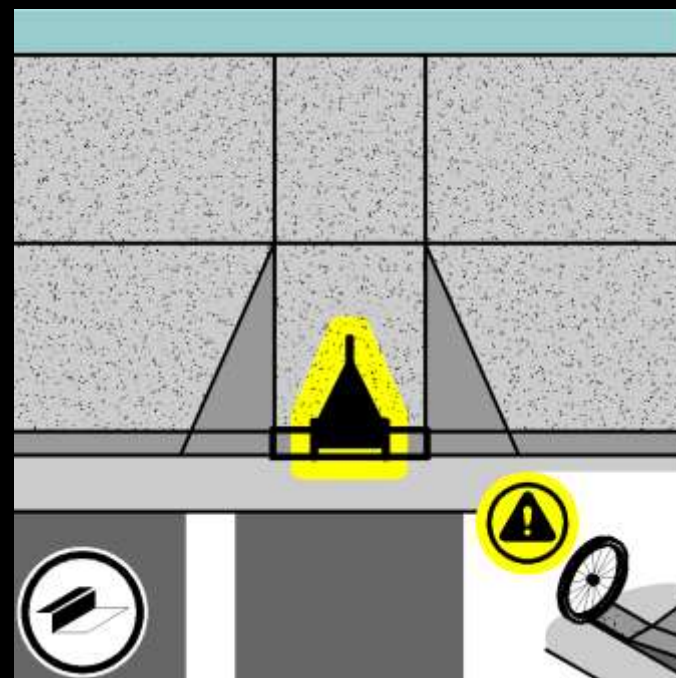
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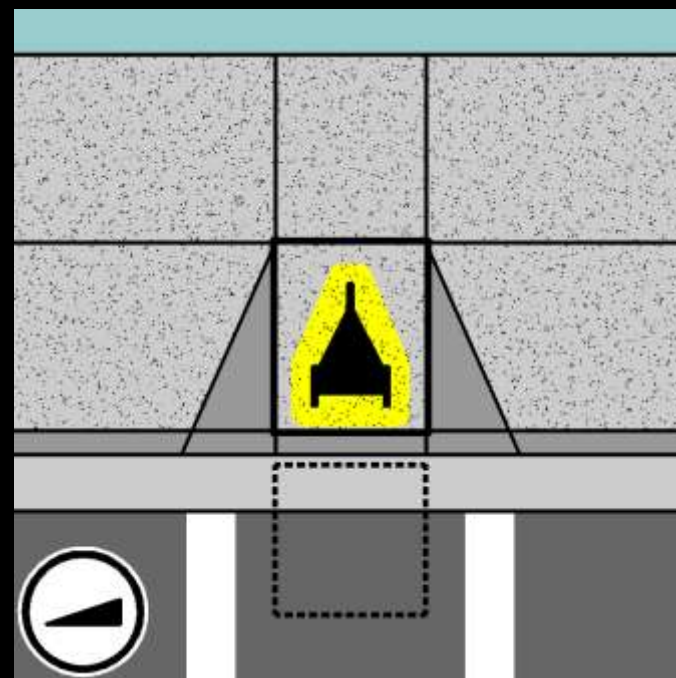
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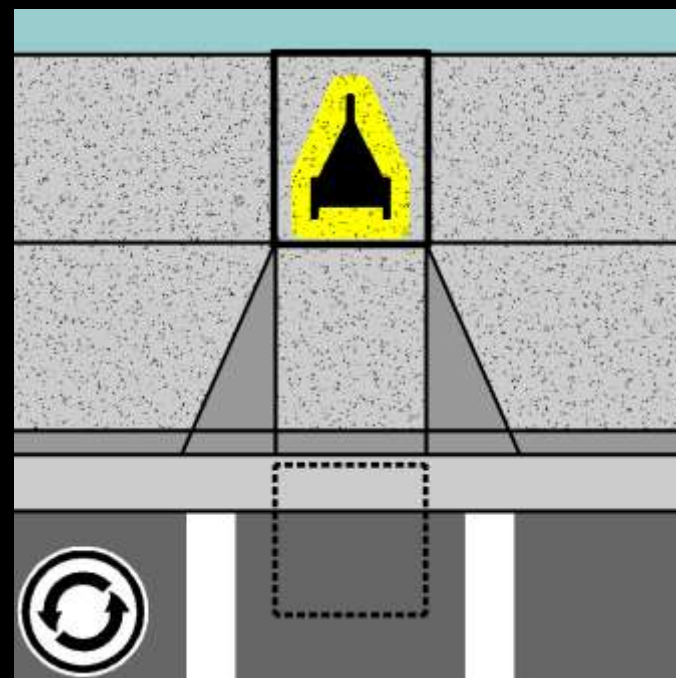
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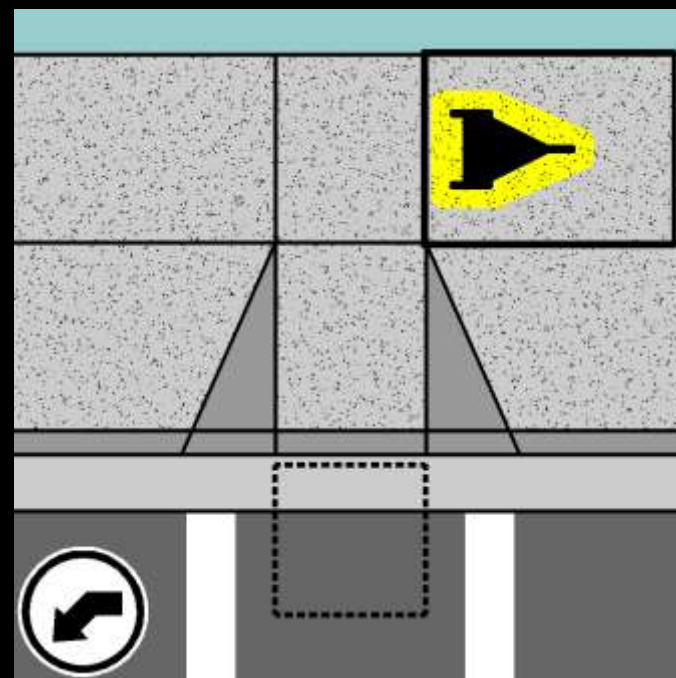


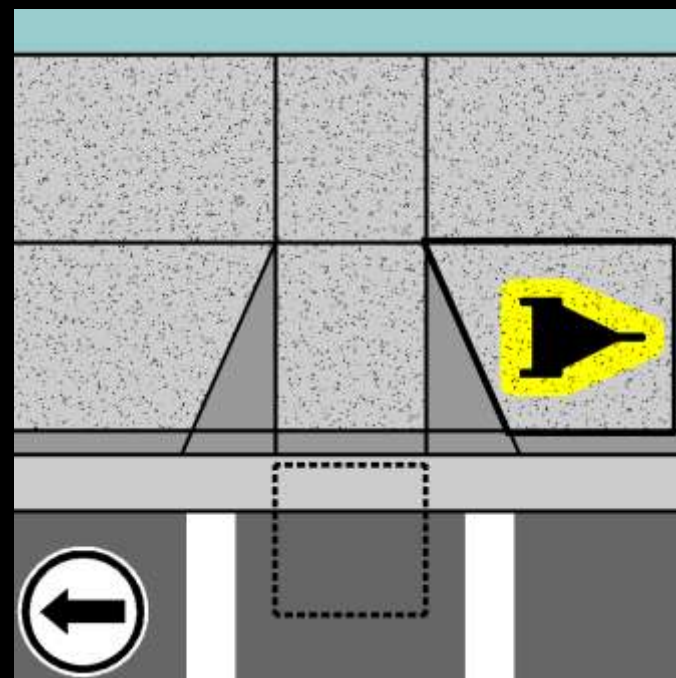
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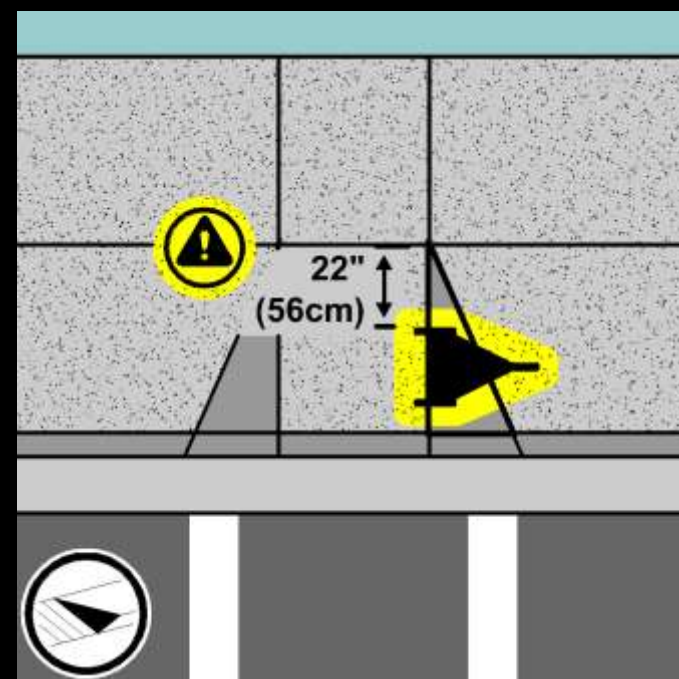


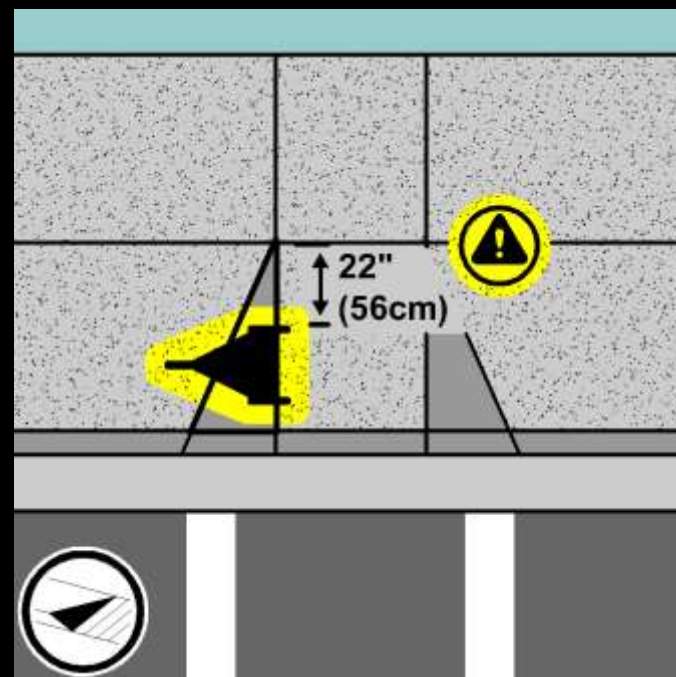


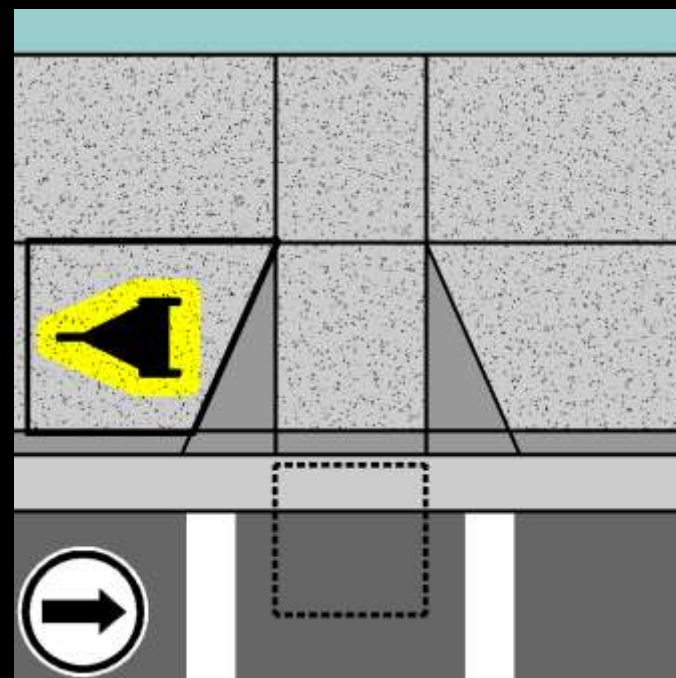


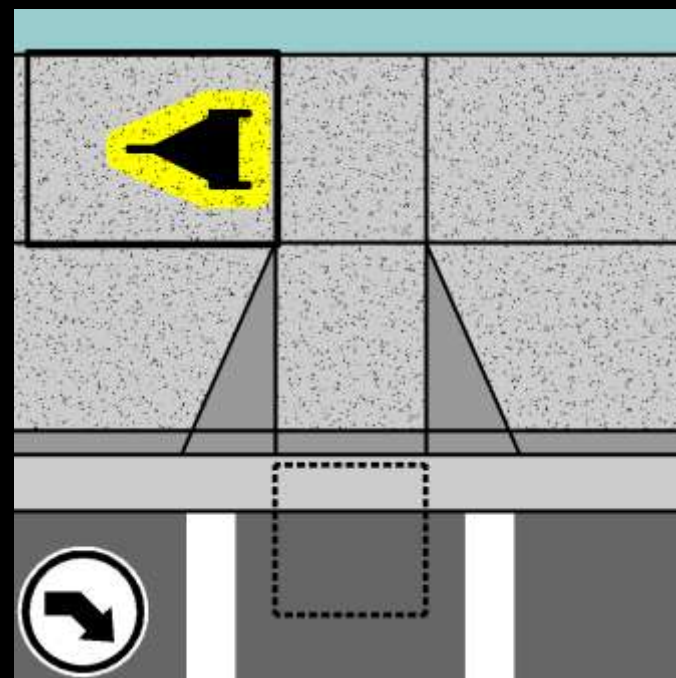


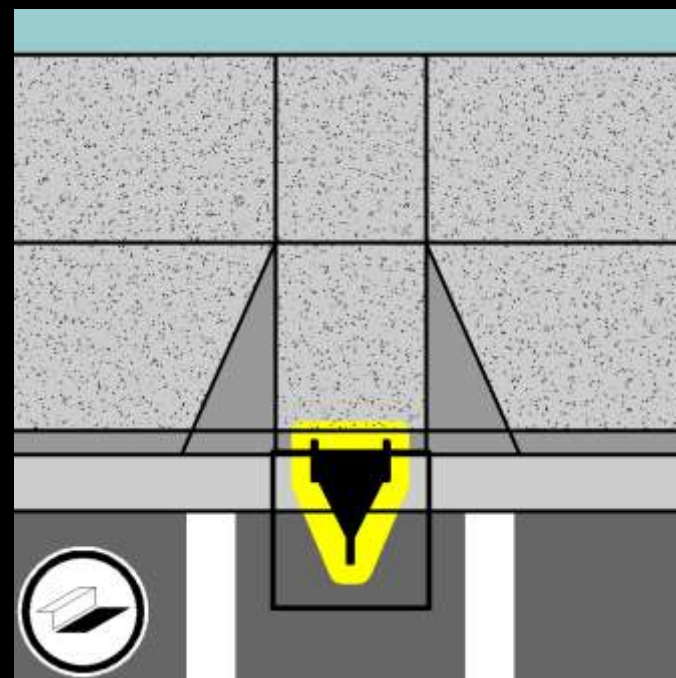


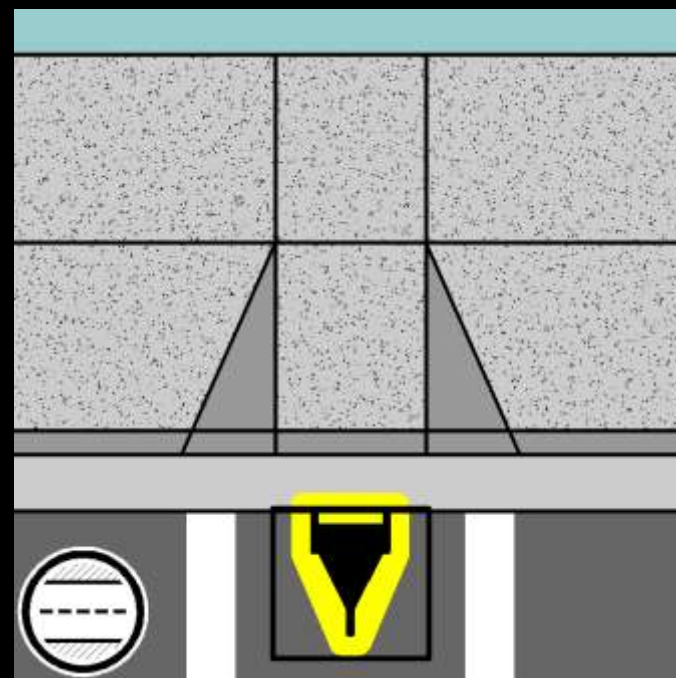












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SQL data structure

Excel Spreadsheet

Rich Text Format (CSV)

Directly into a Geodatabase

PROWAP Stroll Data 2012-01-04





North



Parking Meter



Fire Hydrant



Bus Stop



Curb Ramp
Perpendicular



Traffic Light
1 Accessible Signal



Traffic Light
2 Accessible Signal



Street Light
2 Accessible Signal

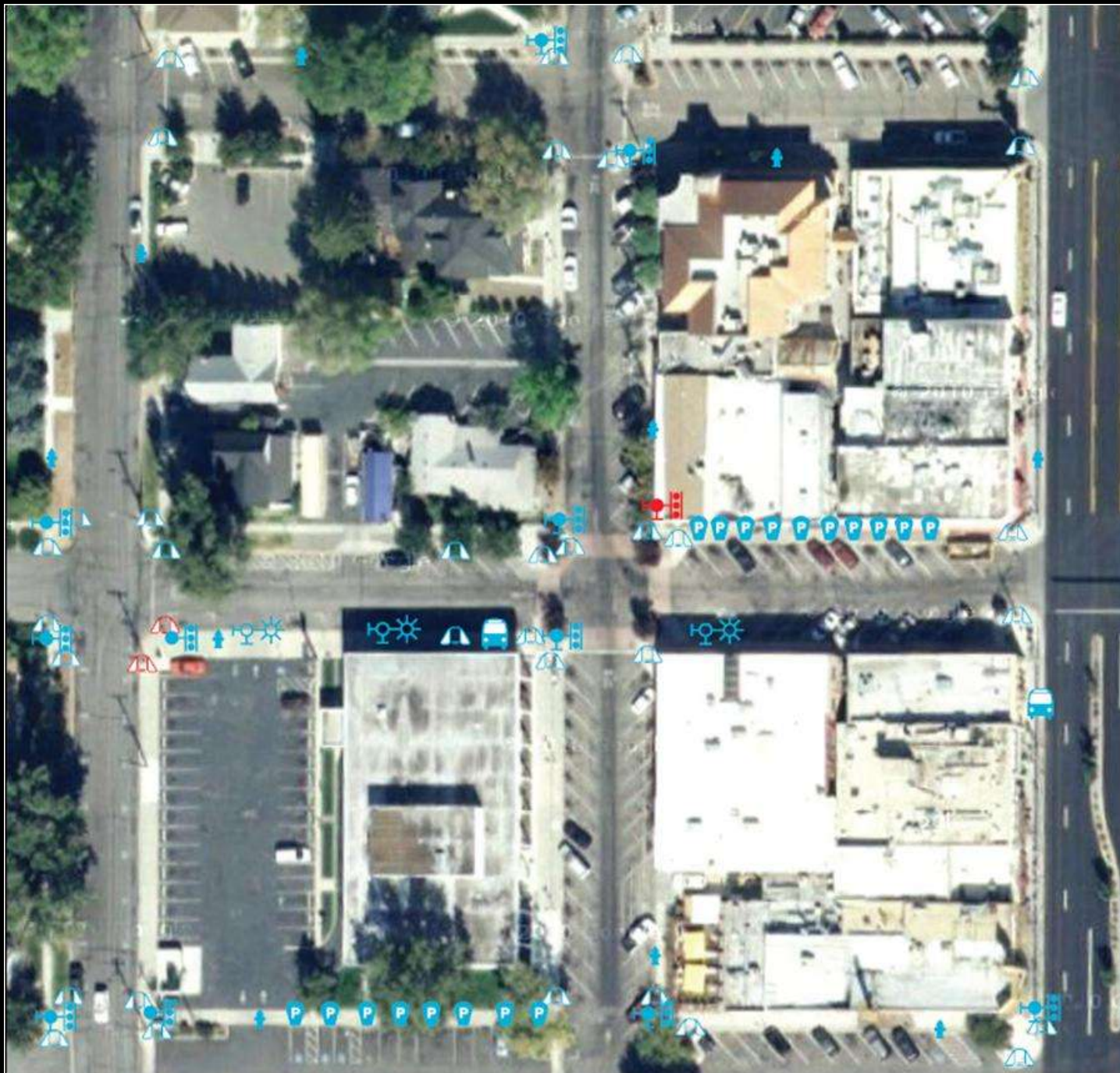


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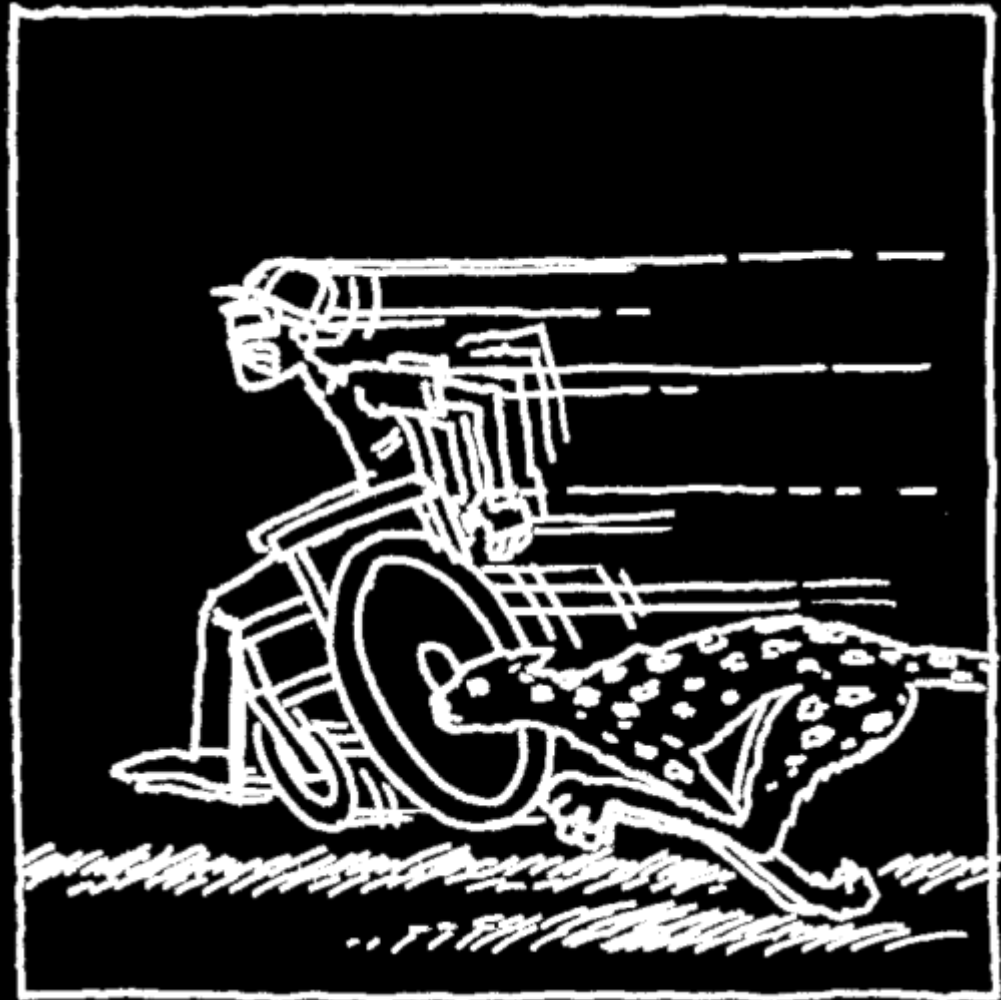
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1.4 Learning Your Limits



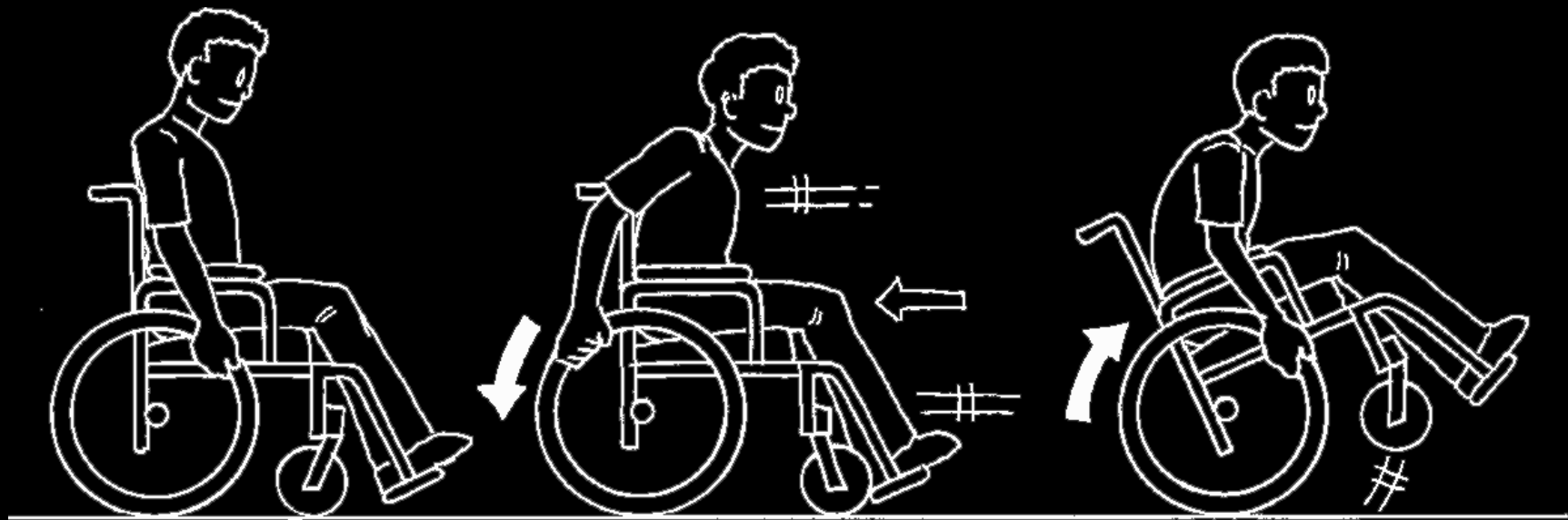
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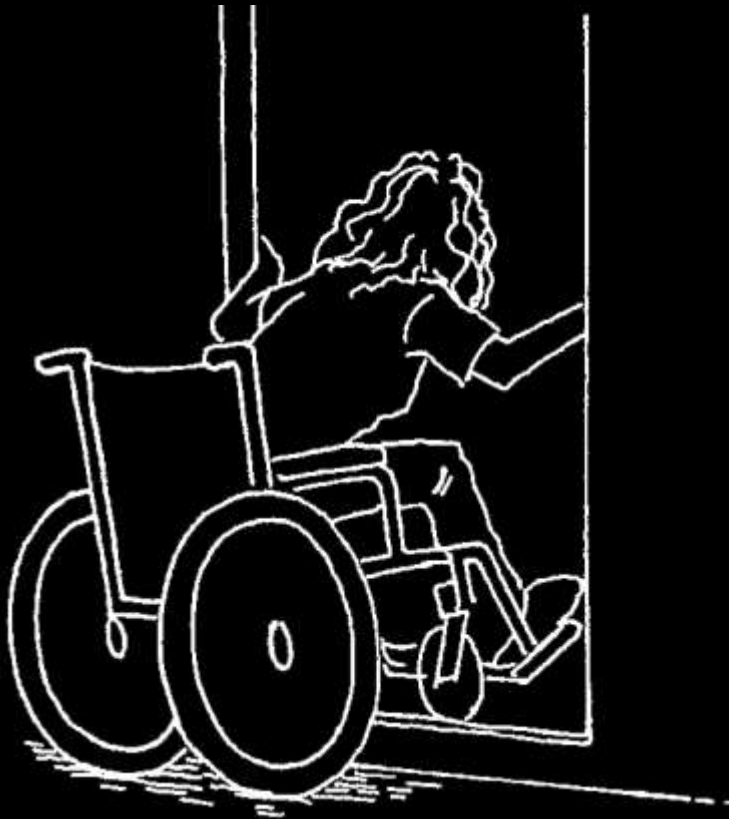
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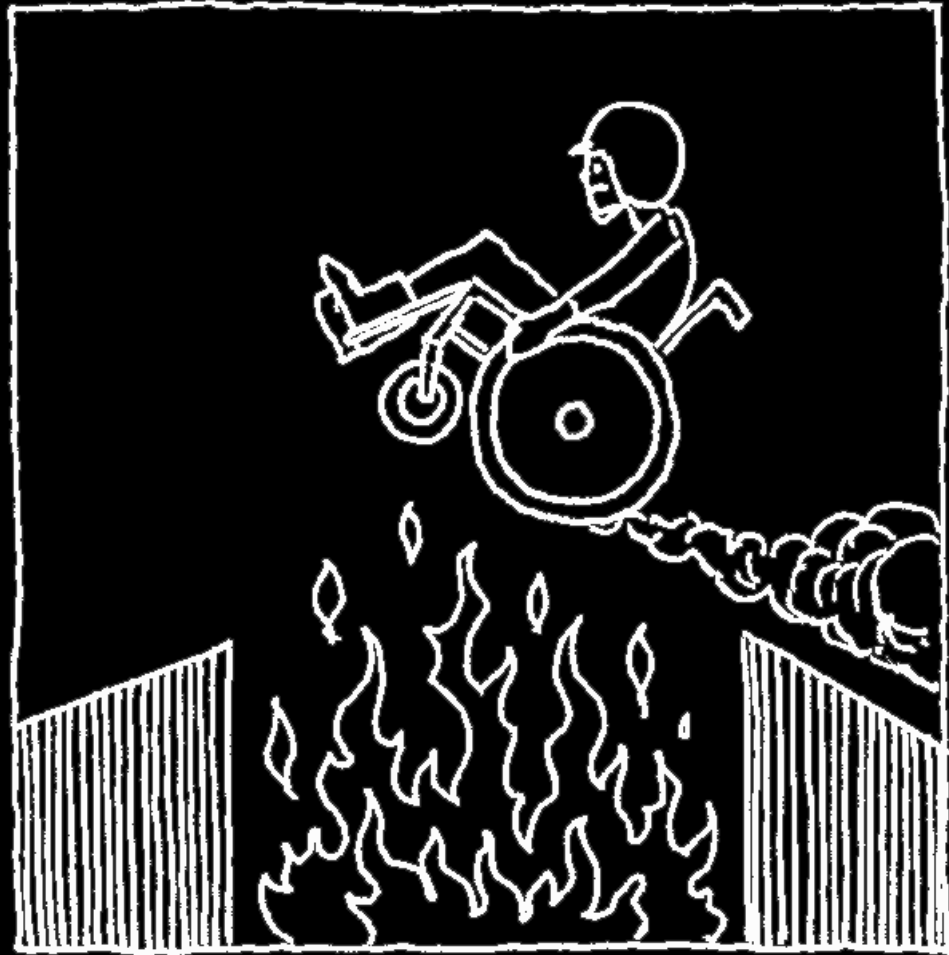
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2.2 Thresholds and Obstacles



2.5 Ramps



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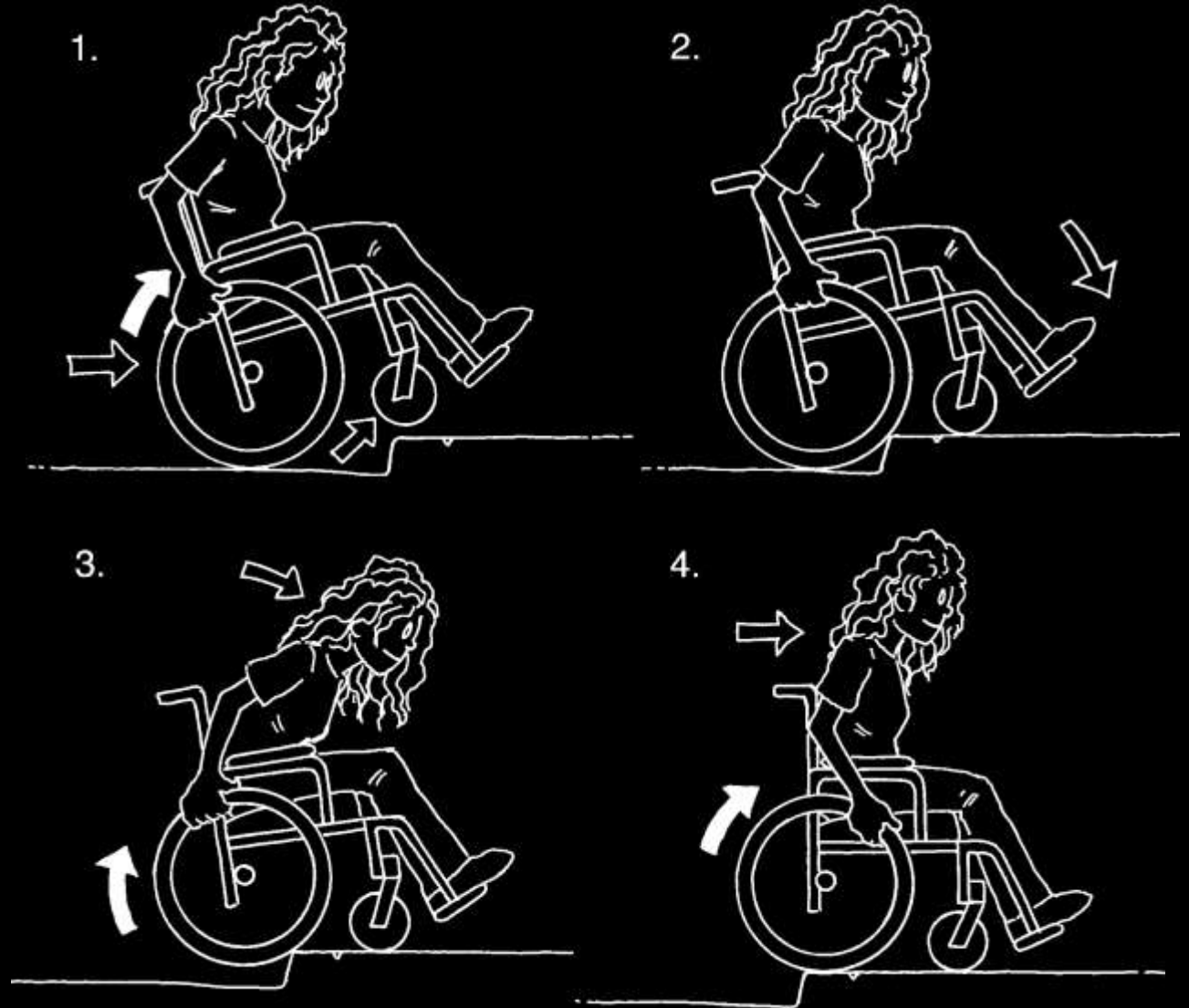
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2.8 Curbs

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Popping
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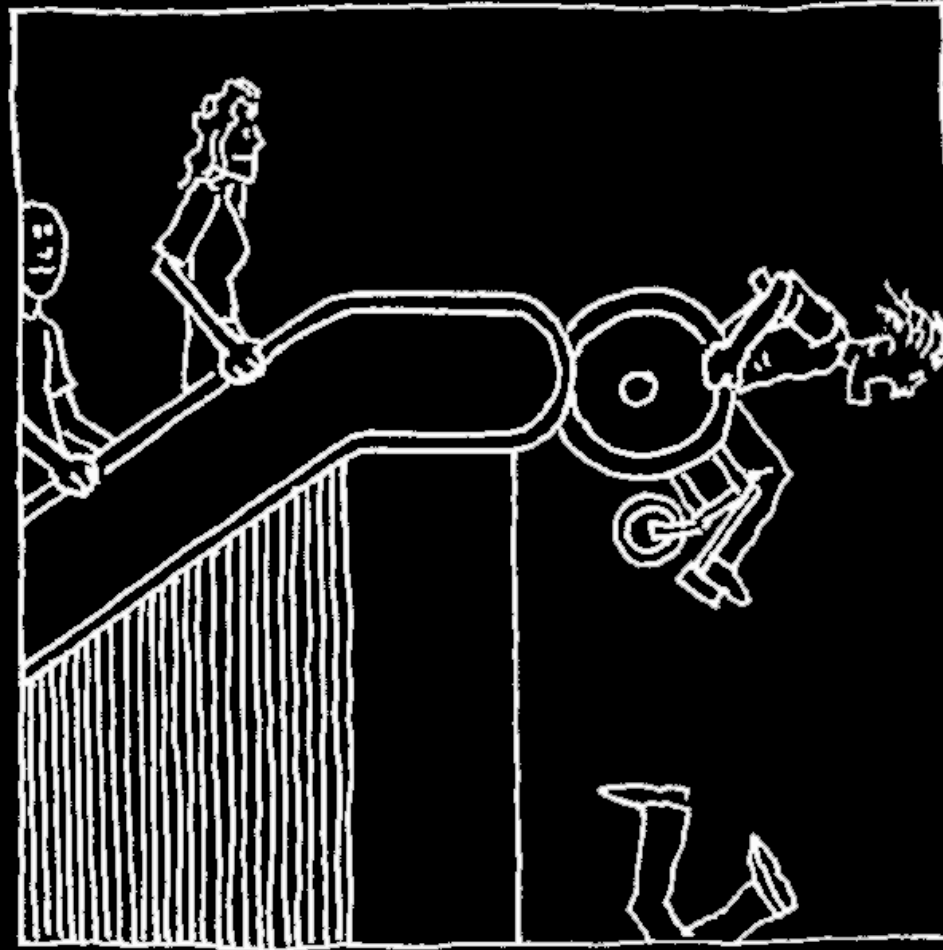
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Getting
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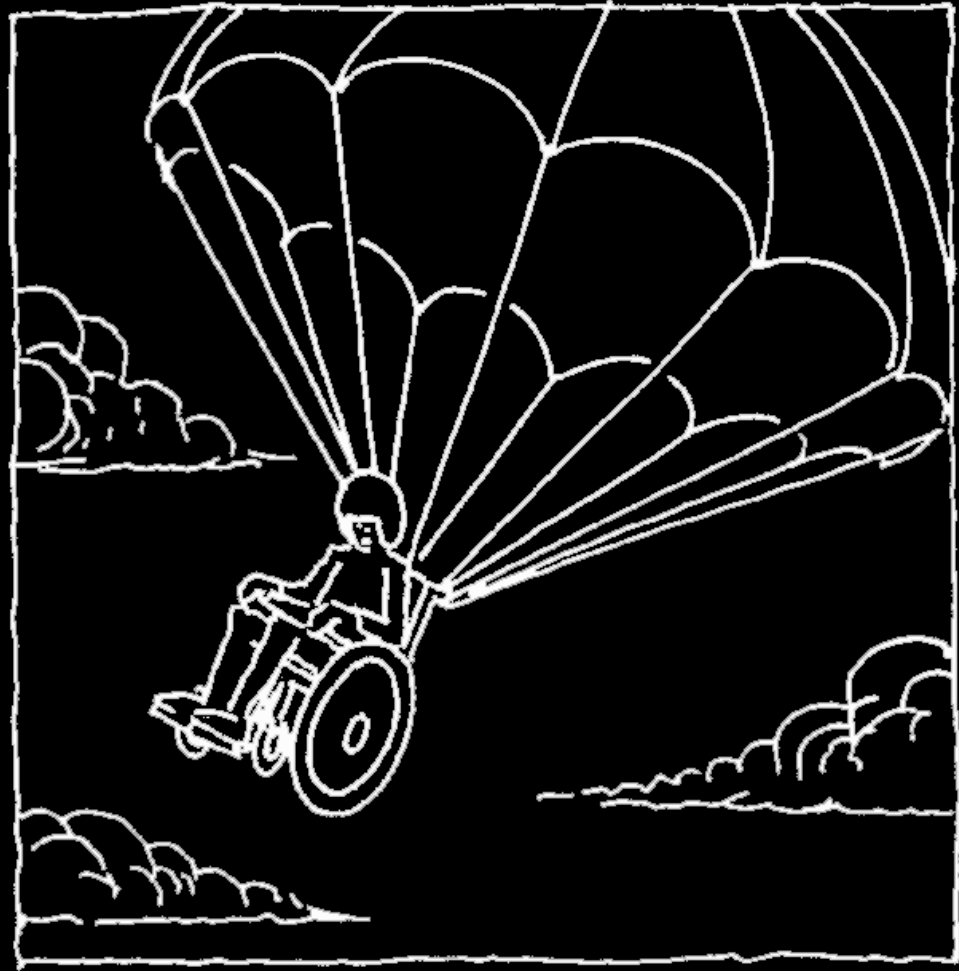
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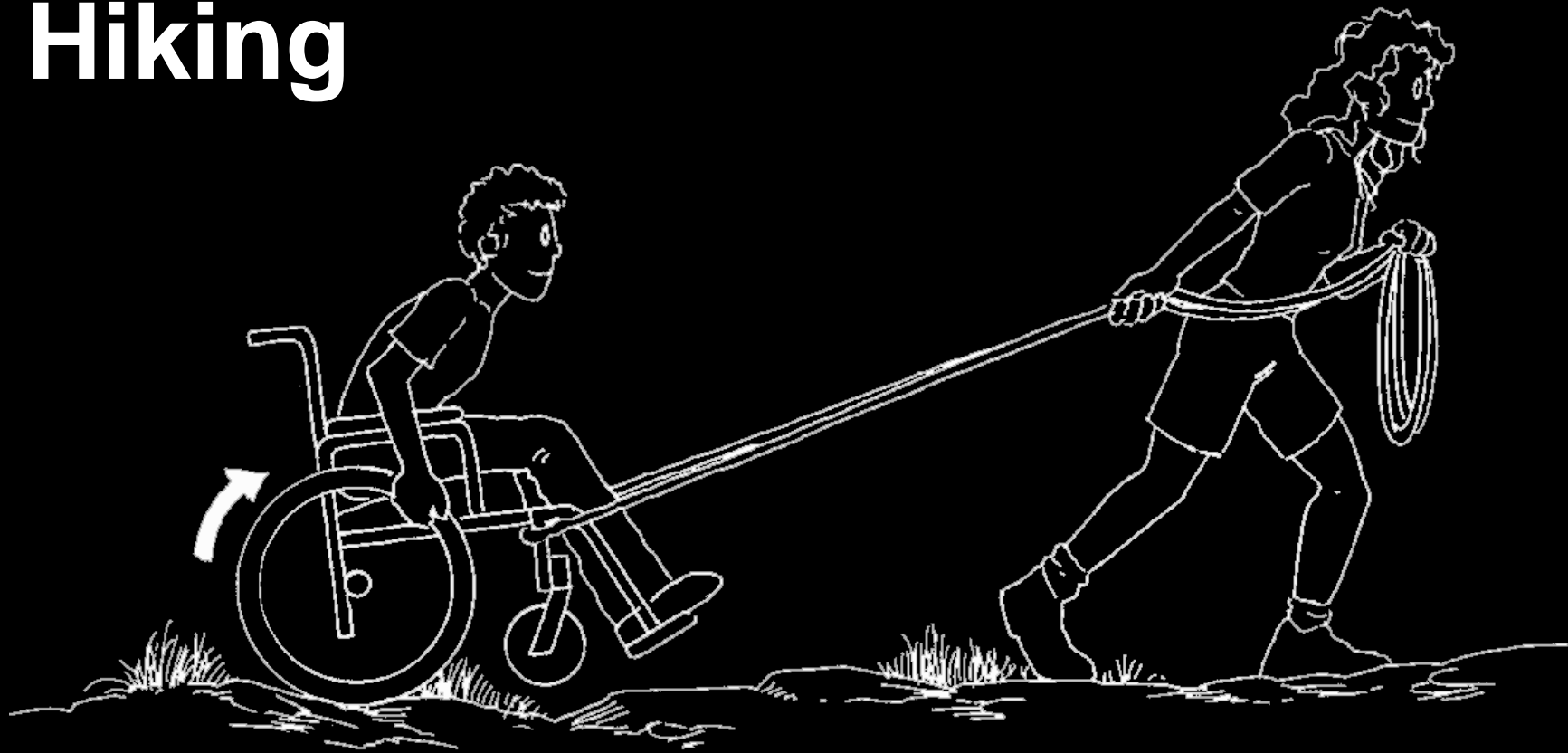


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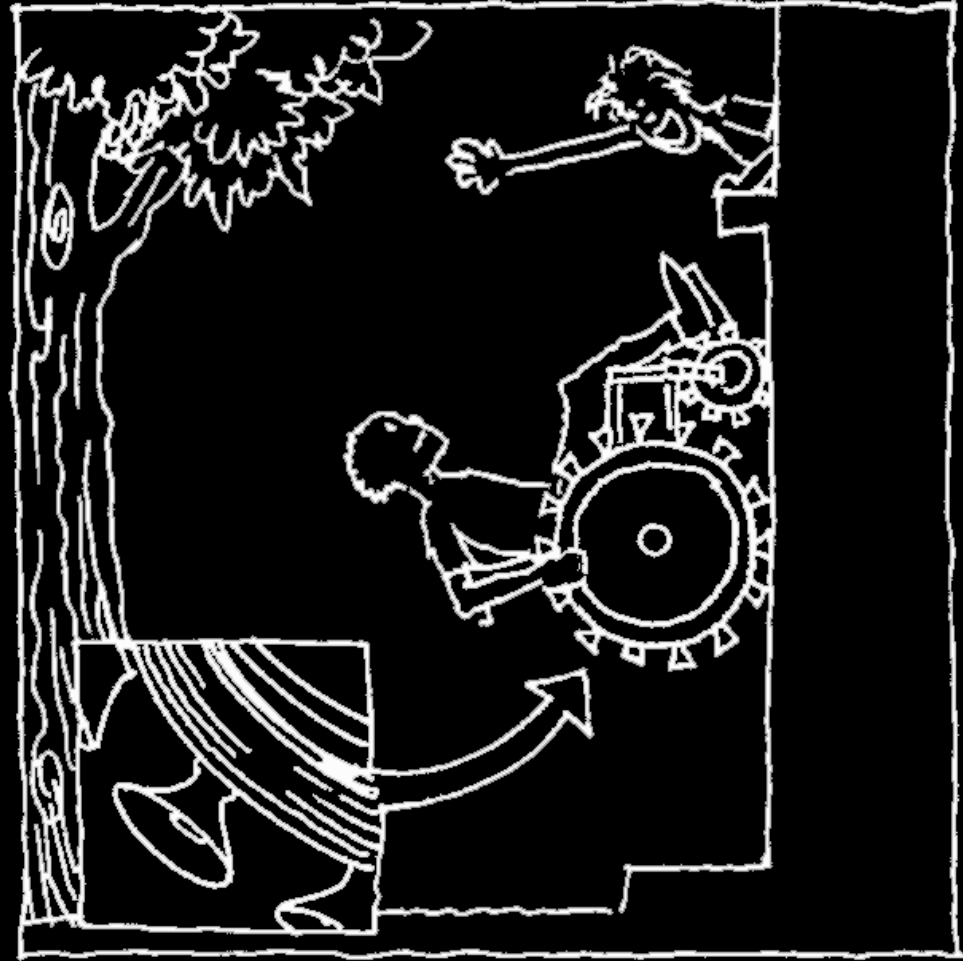


4.4 Hiking



Appendix B

Accessories



Wheelchair Standards

Volume 1: Requirements & test methods for wheelchairs

Volume 2: Additional requirements for wheelchairs with electrical systems

Volume 1: Wheelchairs

Nomenclature,
terms & definitions
Static stability
Overall dimensions
Seating dimensions
Static, impact &
fatigue strength

Test dummies
Coefficient of friction
Information disclosure
Resistance to ignition
Stand-up type w/c's
Set up procedures

Volume 2: Wheelchairs with Electrical Systems

Dynamic stability

Effectiveness of
brakes

Energy consumption

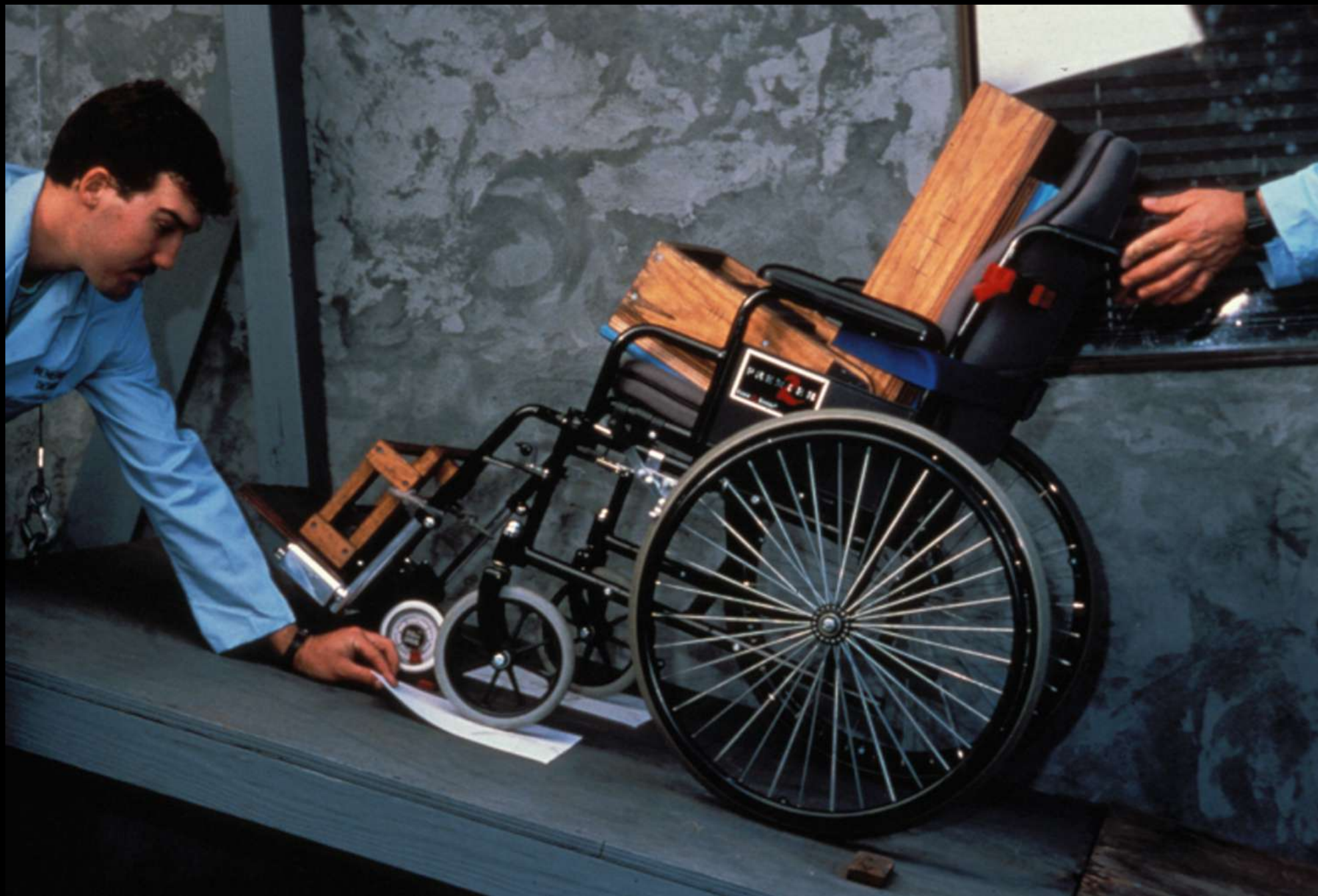
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Power & controls

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Drum Tester



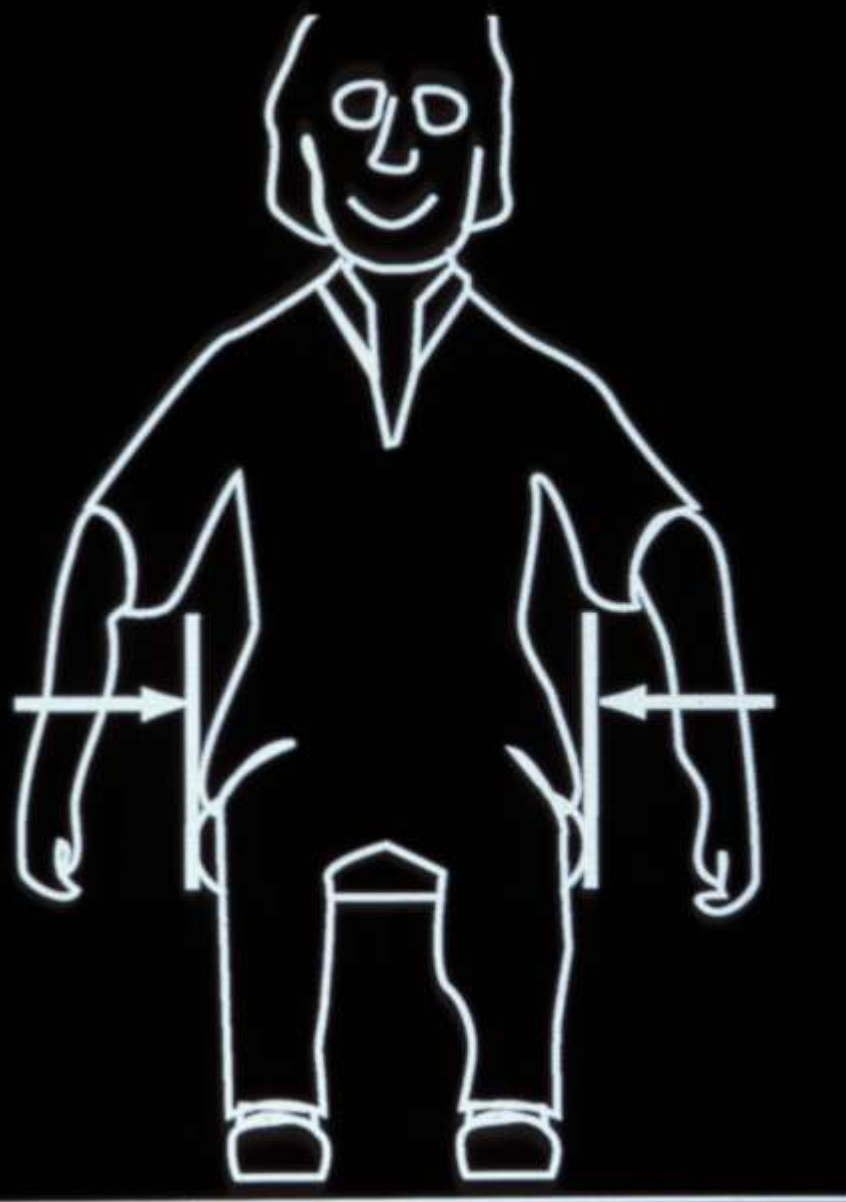
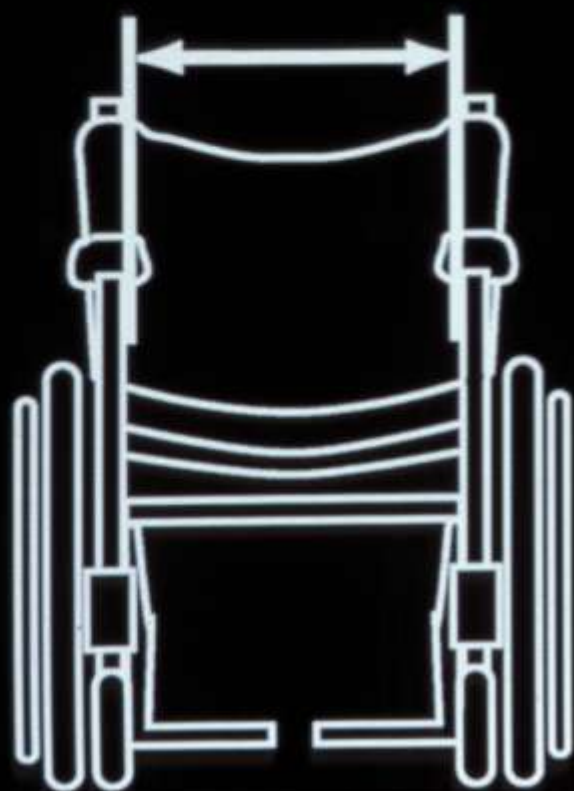
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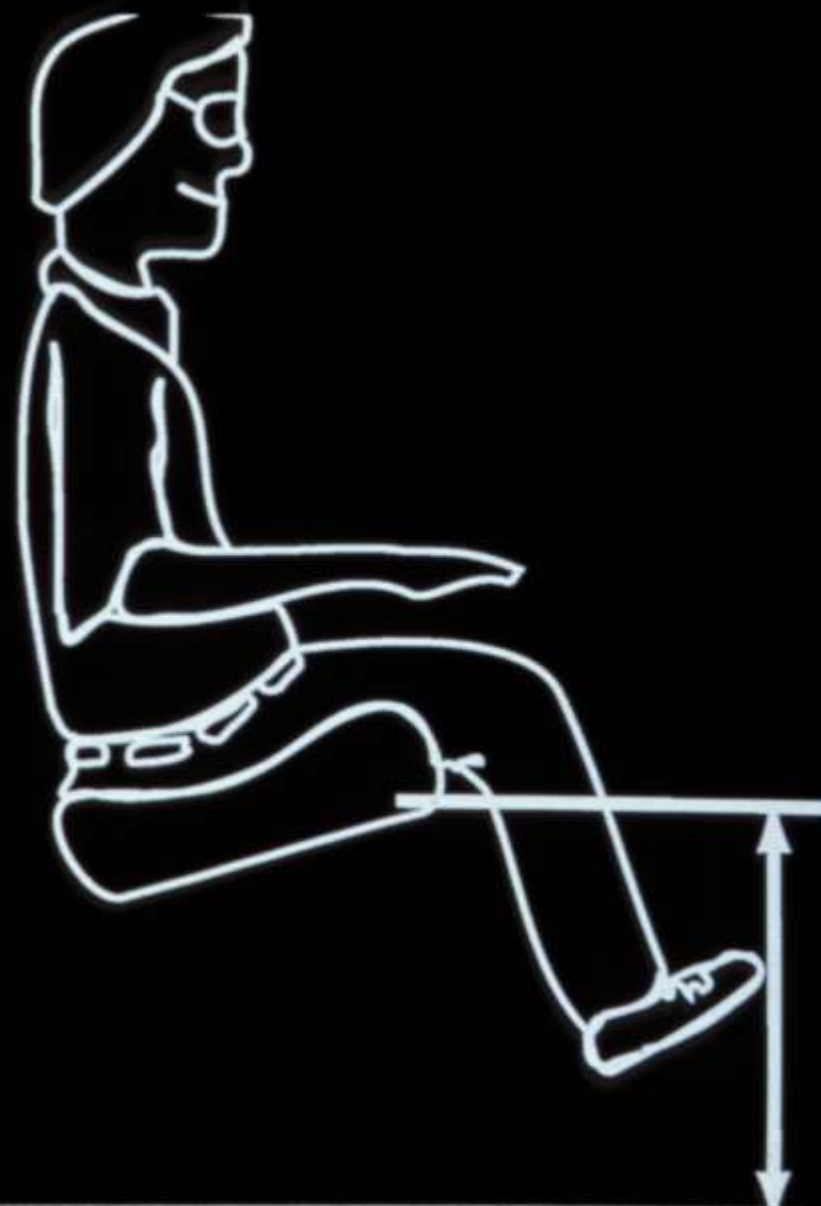
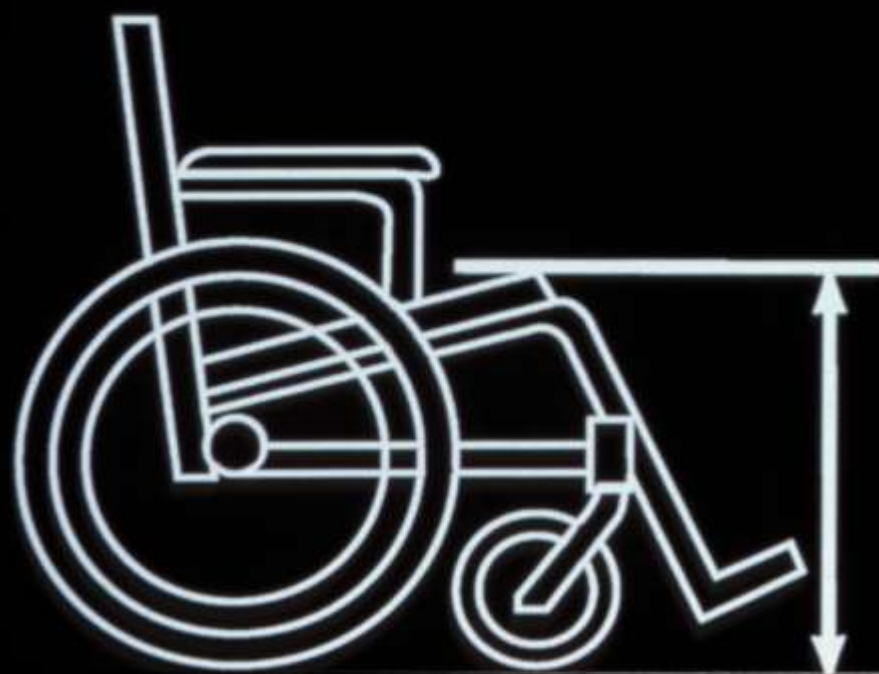
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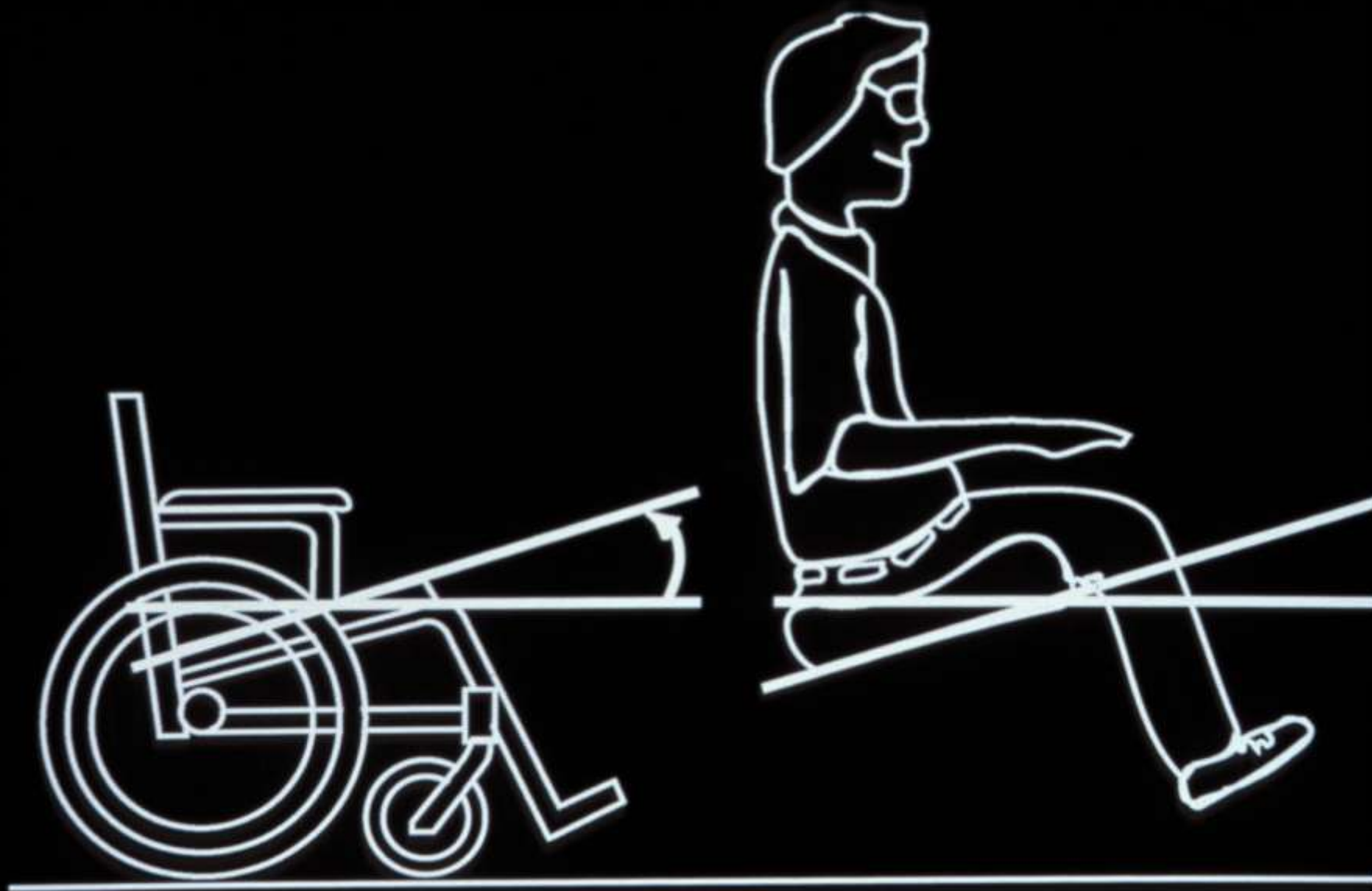
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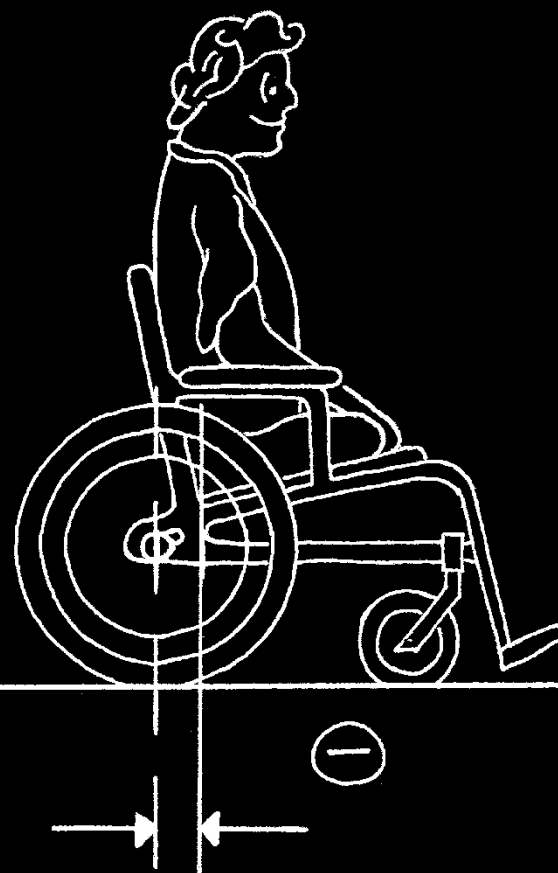
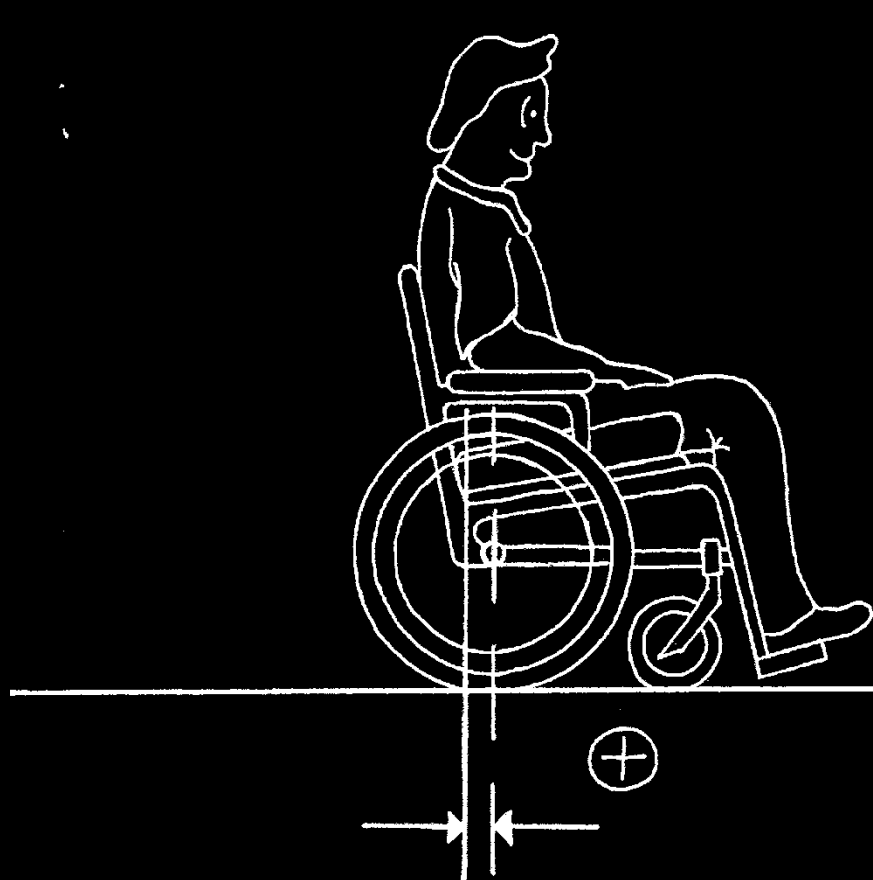
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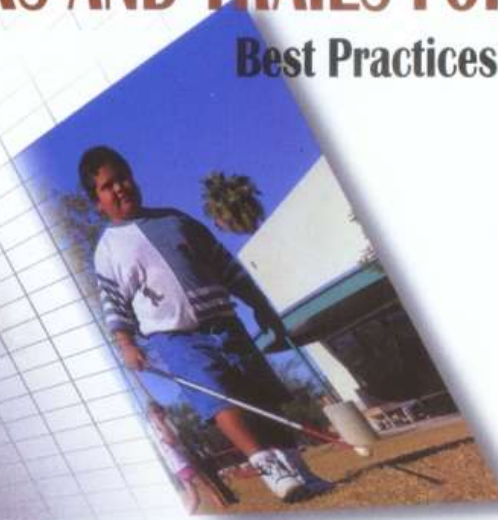


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DESIGNING SIDEWALKS AND TRAILS FOR ACCESS

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The Population is Aging



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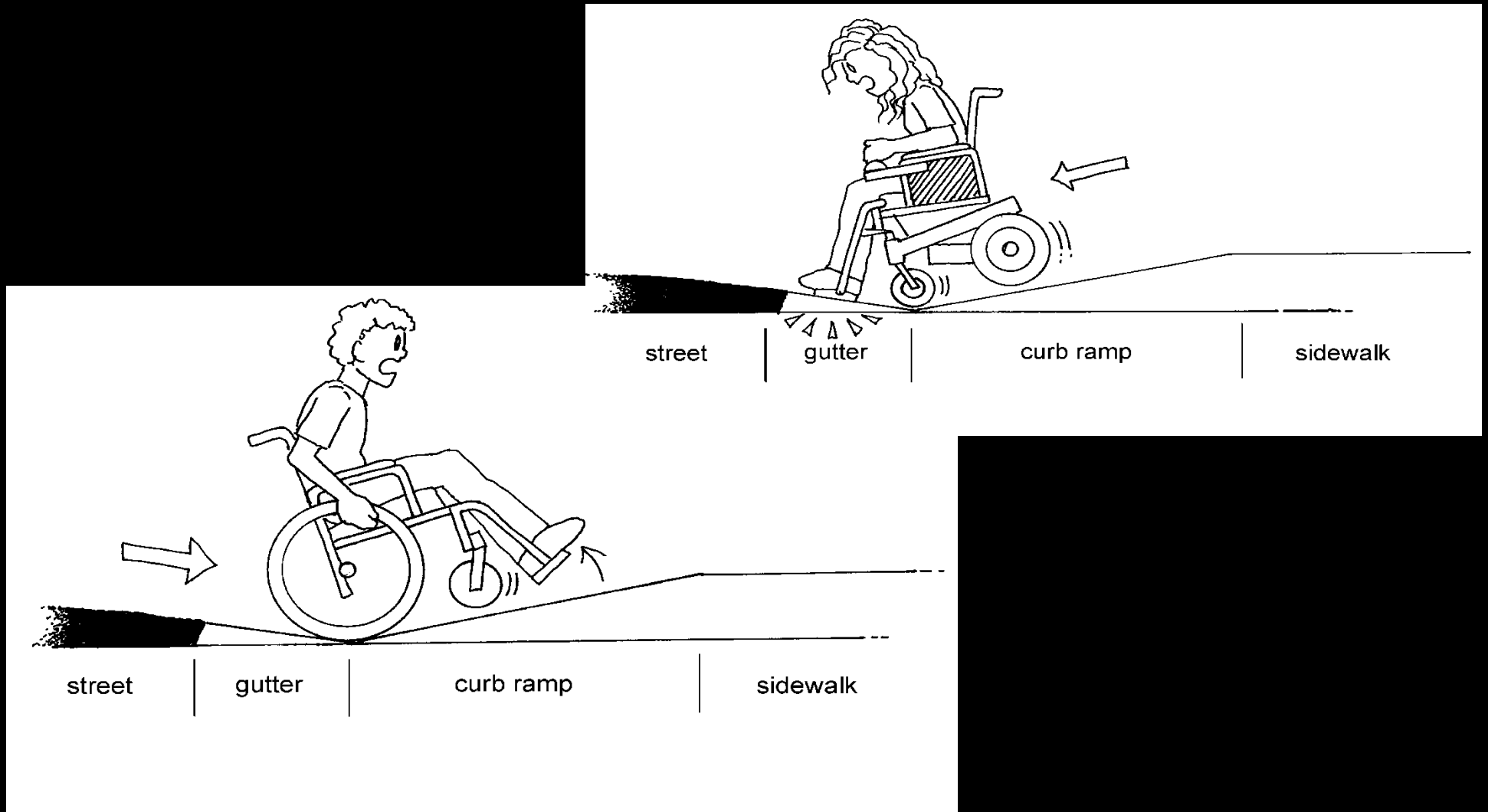


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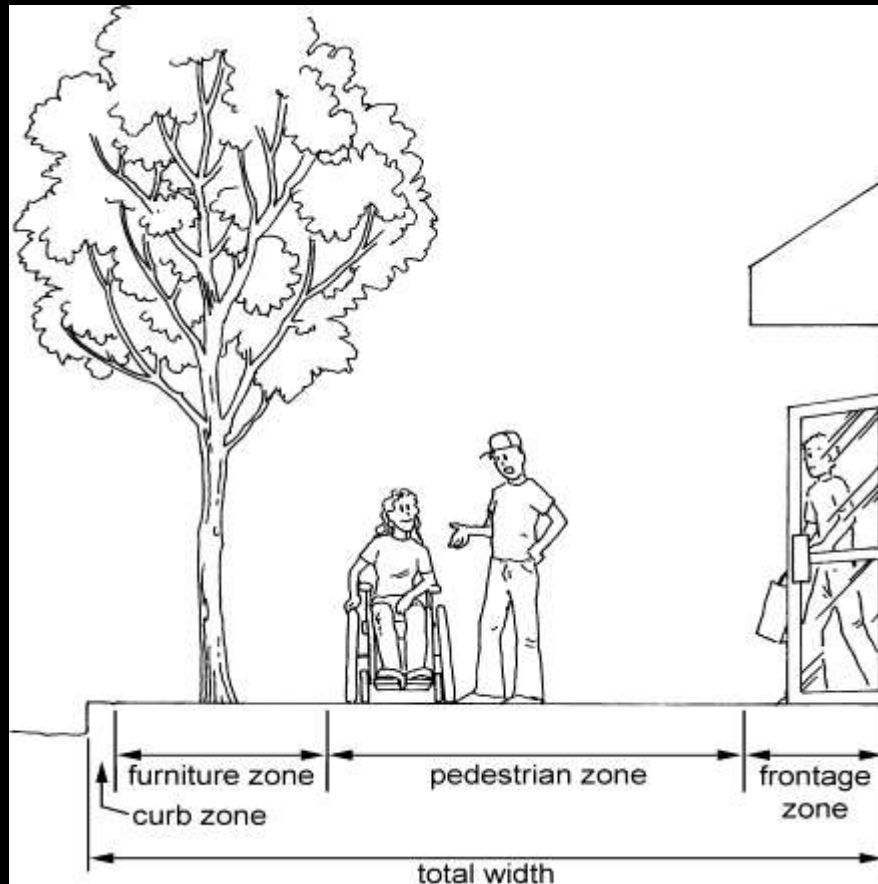
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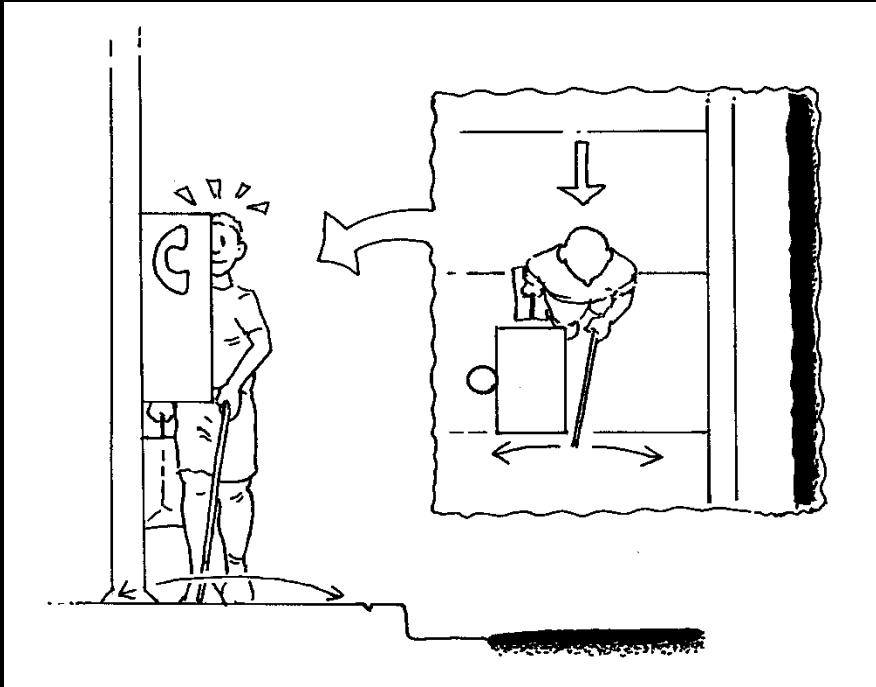
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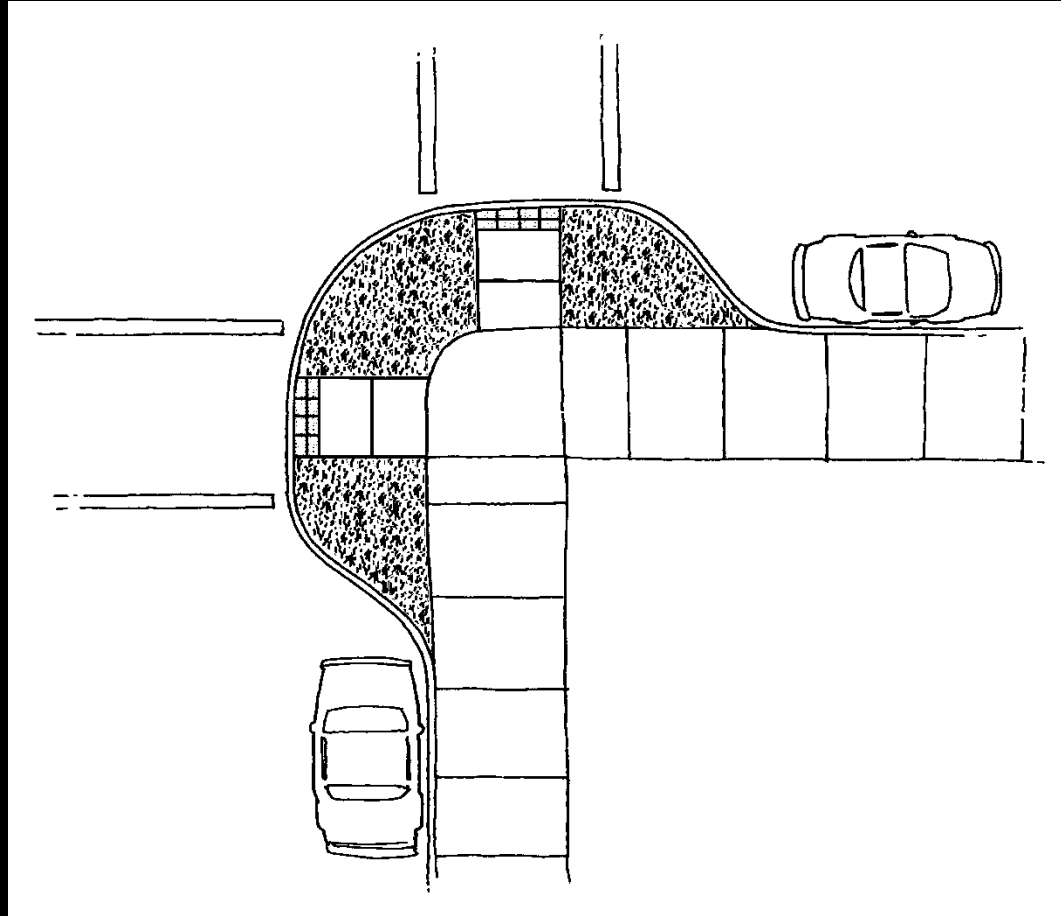
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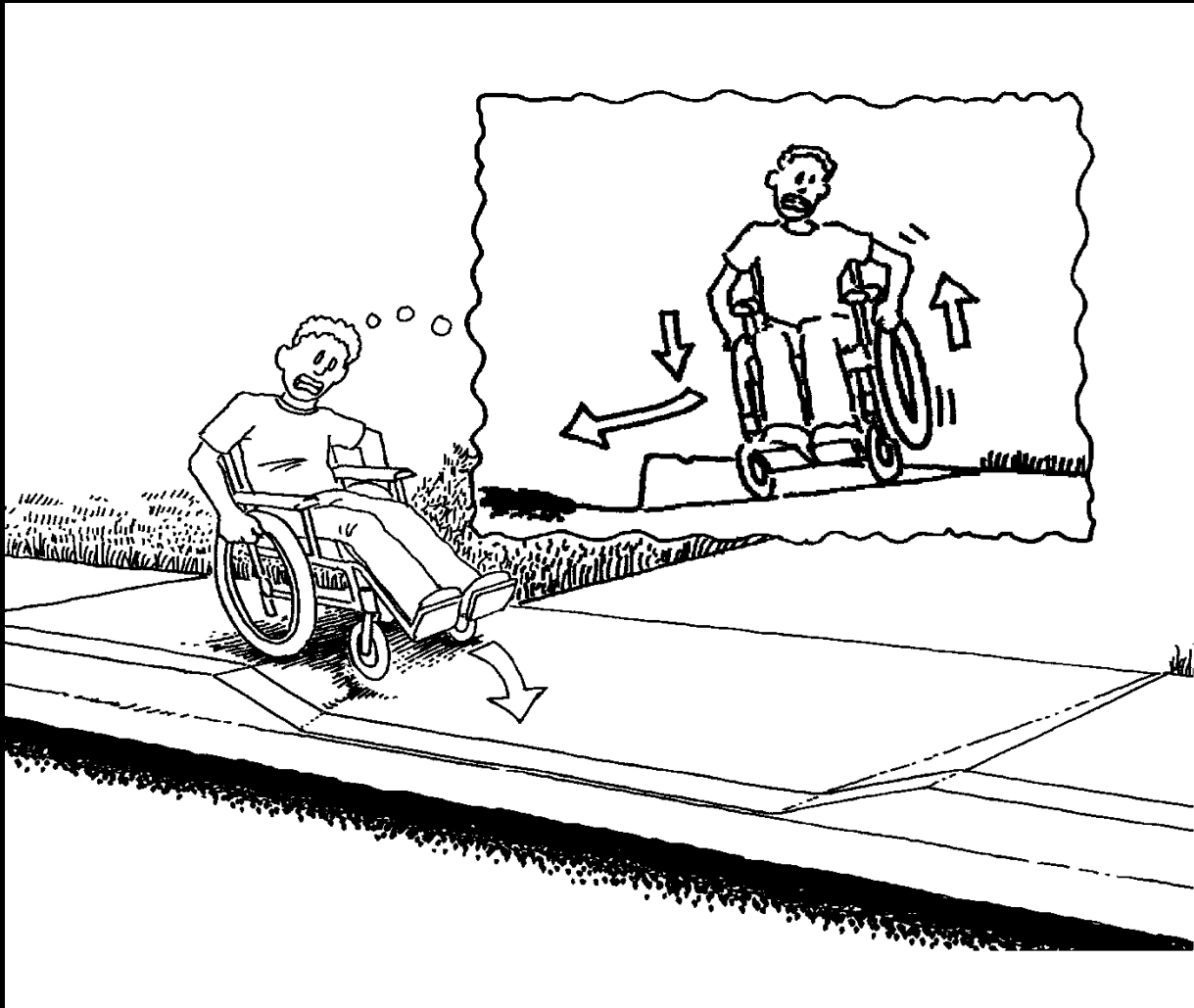
Protruding Objects and Vertical Clearance



Solutions for Narrow Sidewalks



Change in Cross Slope



Gaps, Grates and Openings



Universal Design of Fitness Equipment (UDFE) Standards

Accessible “mainstream” fitness equipment
– user friendly

Health benefits for everyone

Social benefits for everyone

Comply with the Americans with
Disabilities Act (ADA)



Low Step-up Height Design









LifeFitness

UT OR PRESS QUICK START

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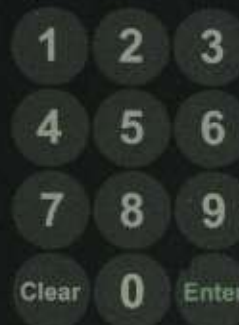
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Time

Incline

Speed

Heart Rate



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heart rate watch

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Read and follow all instructions and warnings. These should be followed prior to using this equipment. Failure to use appropriate caution could result in personal injury. Keep children away from this equipment.

CAUTION: Consult a physician before using this equipment. Stop exercising if you feel pain, dizziness or shortness of breath.

CAUTION: RISK OF INJURY TO PERSONS - TO AVOID INJURY, STAND ON THE SIDEWALKS BEFORE STARTING TREADMILL. READ INSTRUCTION MANUAL BEFORE USING.

ATTENTION: Consultez un médecin avant d'utiliser cet appareil. Arrêtez-vous si vous ressentez une douleur, si vous vous sentez fatigué. Arrêtez-vous si vous êtes essouffé.

When in use: Do not walk on the treadmill, do not touch the handrails or the side rails. Do not touch the handrails or the side rails. Do not touch the handrails or the side rails. Do not touch the handrails or the side rails.

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UT OR PRESS QUICK START

Calories

Distance

Time

Incline

Speed

Heart Rate



WARNING

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CLIMBING

Display

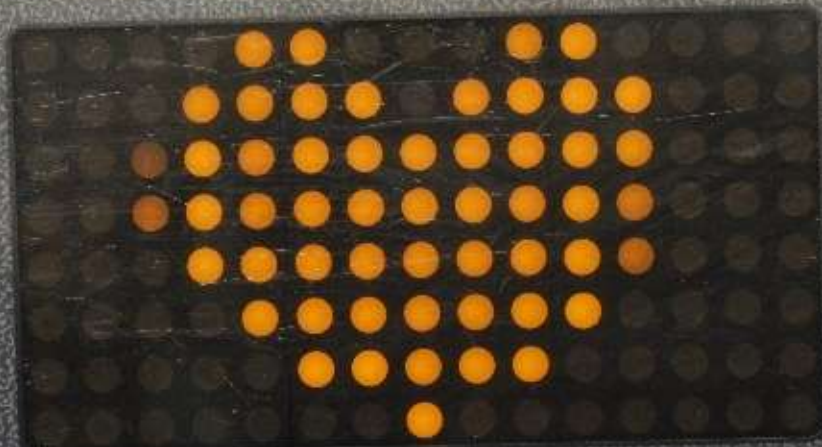
Time Remaining

Calories/Hour

Floors Climbed

Level

Climb
Max



Speed

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Programs

Manual

Fat Burning

Strength

Endurance

HR Control

Advanced
Options

1

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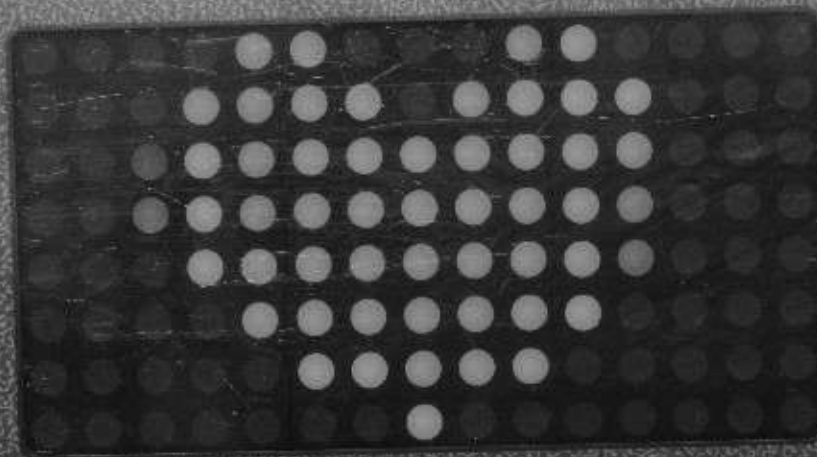
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Start
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CLIMBING

Time Remaining ● Calories/Hour ● Floors Climbed ● Level ●

Climb
Max[®]



Speed

0.00

Programs

Manual ●



Fat Burning



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Endurance



HR Control

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Options ●



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7 8 9

0 Clear Start
Enter

Development of Uniform Standards for Cognitive Technologies

Goal

**Increase Access to Technology
for People with Cognitive
Impairments**

A word cloud featuring various technology-related terms. The words are arranged in a roughly triangular shape, with 'email' at the top, 'cell.phones' on the left, and 'smoke.alarms' on the right. The words are in different colors, including shades of green, yellow, and brown. The font is a bold, sans-serif typeface. The words are of varying sizes, with 'email', 'cell.phones', and 'smoke.alarms' being the largest. Other words include 'DVD', 'phones', 'ear.buds', 'screen.readers', 'social.networking', 'TV', 'stoves', 'music.players', 'headphones', 'laptop', 'toaster.ovens', 'internet', 'camera', 'audio.books', 'Internet', and 'video'.

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cell
DVD phones
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