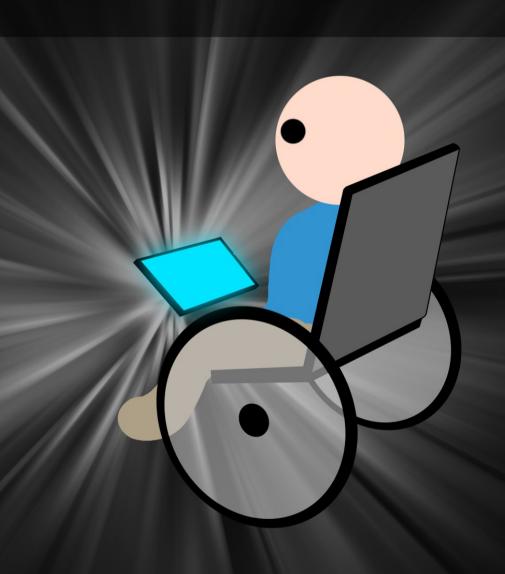
EPICWheels

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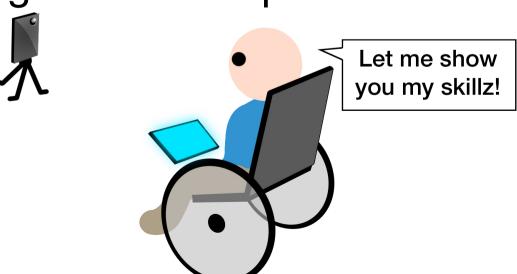
Introduction

- EPICwheelS is an Android app that trains people how to use wheelchairs by playing videos to wheelchair users to teach them new skills.
- Enhanced Participation In the Community by Improving Wheelchair Skills



Motivation

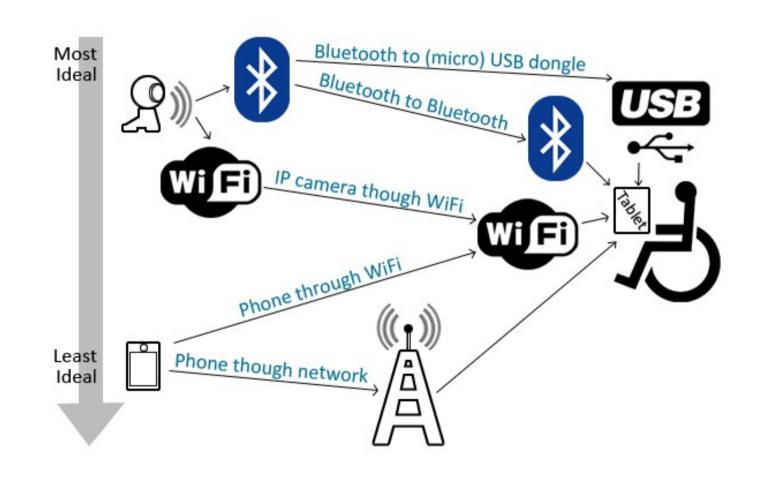
- For people living in remote places, it is inconvenient to visit a therapist in person.
- Problem: currently a remote therapist cannot see how well the wheelchair user is learning.
- Solution: let users record videos of themselves performing new techniques.



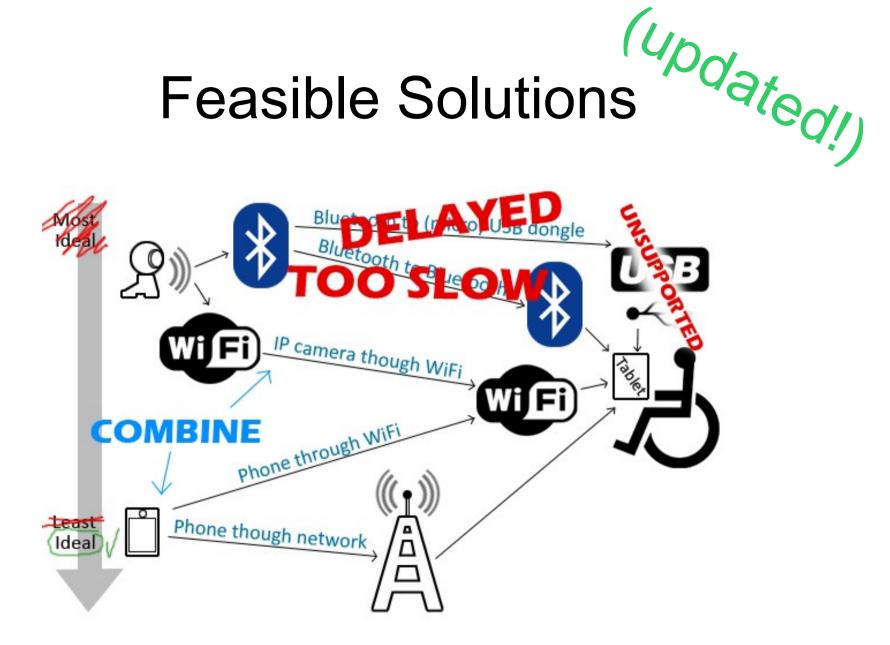
Objectives

- Stream video from a wireless camera to Android tablet.
- Record the video on the tablet for sending to the remote therapist.

Feasible Solutions

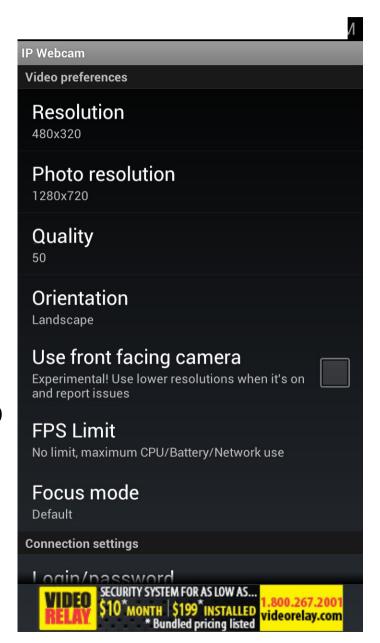


Feasible Solutions



Current Solution

- IP Webcam app.
 - Free, open source (GNU GPL v2).
 - Easy to use.
- Motion JPEG (MJPEG) stream.
 - Basic video stream.
 - Frames compressed individually.
 - Stream accessed by connecting to URL provided by IP Webcam.



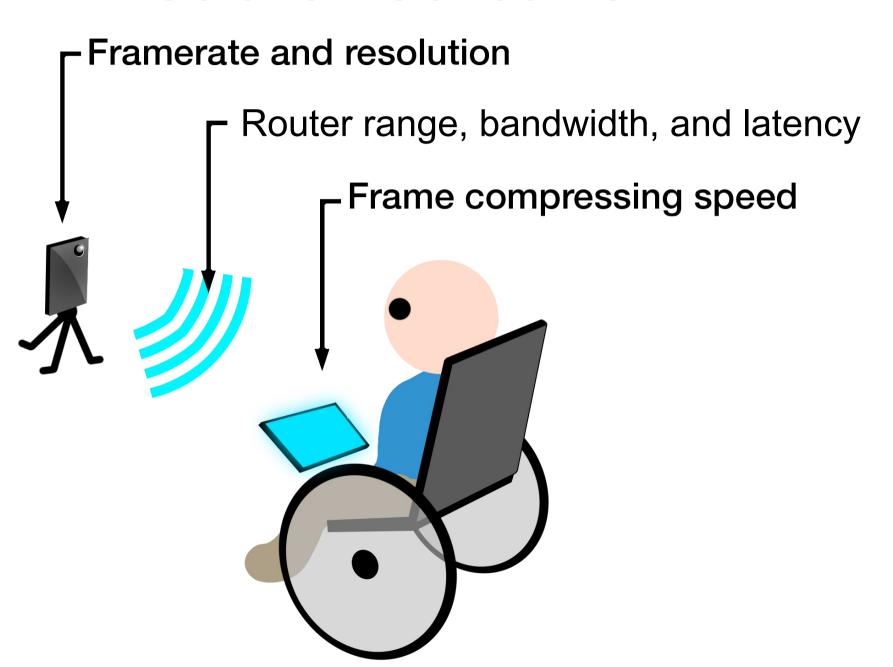
Current Solution

- Save received frames as JPEG images.
- Encode frames into video using FFmpeg library at the end of recording.



Motion blur simulated. Do not attempt excessively high speed wheeling at home.

Solution Concerns



Project Plan

- Build demo Android app.
 - Stream from IP Camera
 - Record and playback
- Integrate demo app into EPICwheelS.
- Analyse performance and usability.
 - Video quality
 - Recording range

Conclusion

- EPICwheelS allows people to learn to use a wheelchair at home.
- Wireless video recording allows therapist to provide useful evaluation and feedback on the student's progress.
- Our solution uses an Android phone as a camera to stream video to an Android tablet.