

VALIDITY, RELIABILITY AND SENSITIVITY TO CHANGE OF THE BASKETBALL WHEELCHAIR MOBILITY PERFORMANCE TEST

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The Perfect Sports Wheelchair

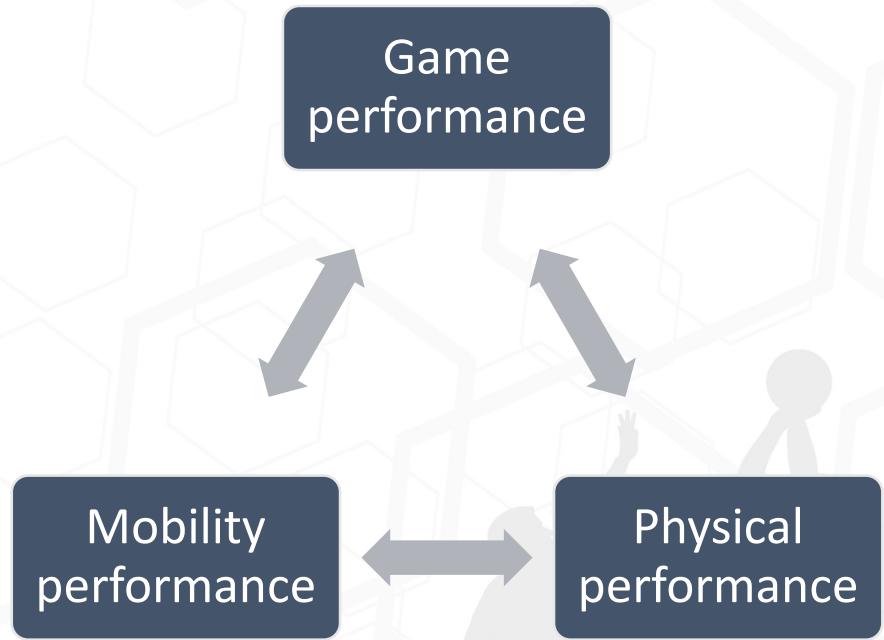


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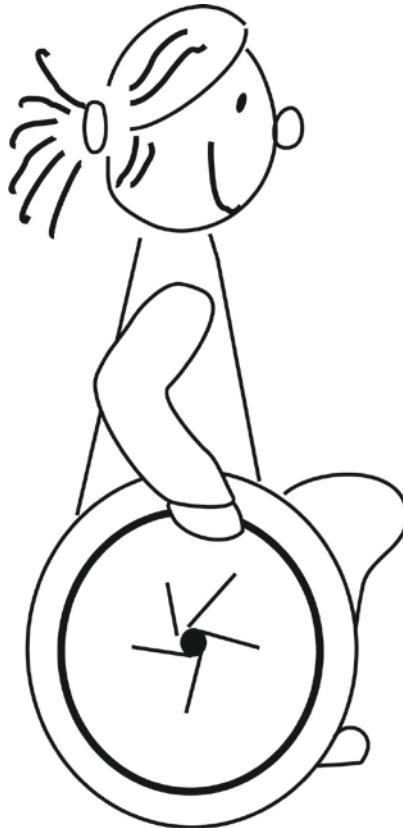


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Wheelchair Basketball



Wheelchair Mobility Performance

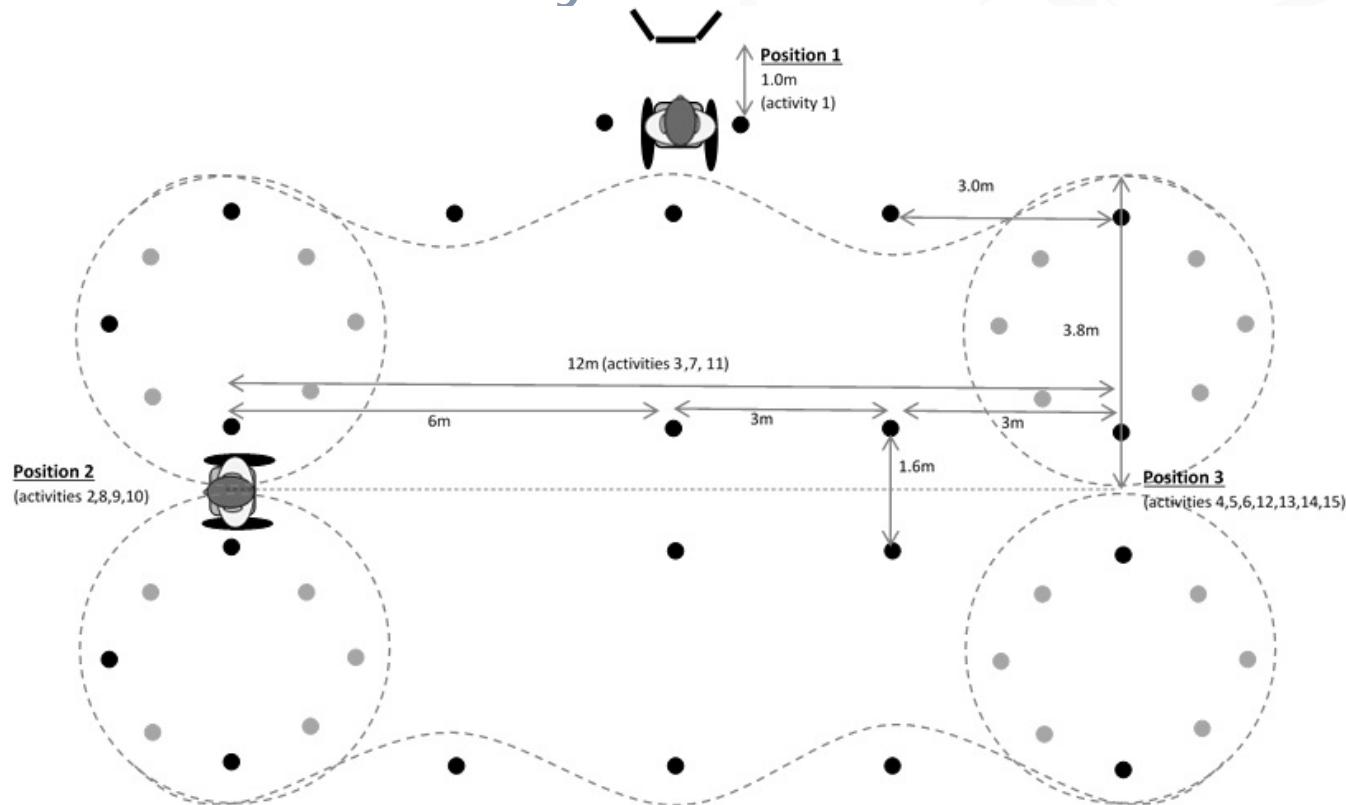


Ability of performing wheelchair activities:

- Standing still
- Driving forward or backward
- Accelerating
- Rotating
- Braking
- Blocking



Wheelchair Mobility Performance Test



Outcome variable:

Performance time (in seconds) on the wheelchair mobility performance test (WMP test), consisting of 15 tasks.



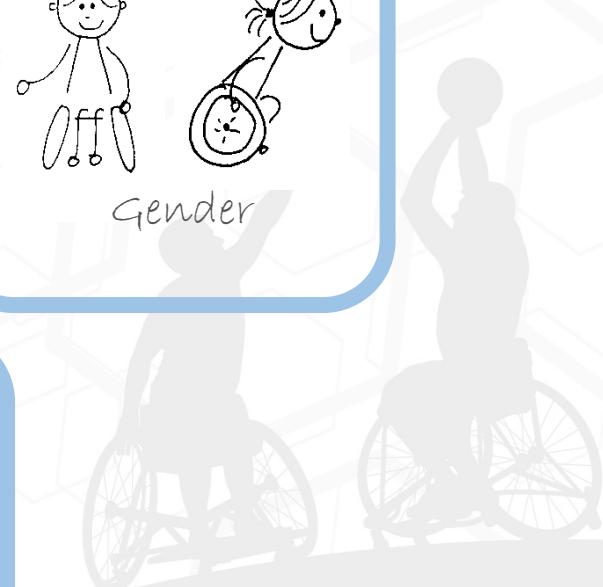
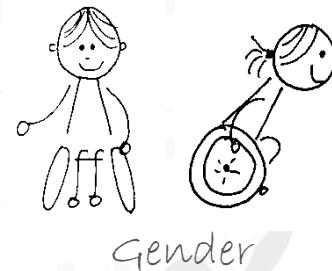
Research question

Is the WMP test:

- valid?
- reliable?
- sensitive to change?

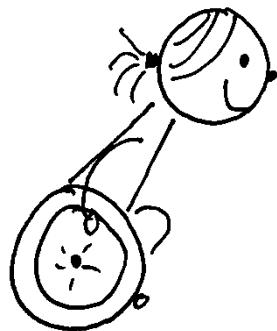
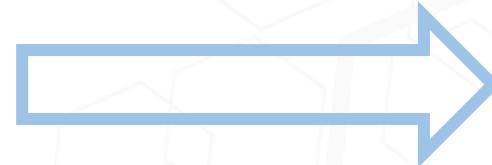
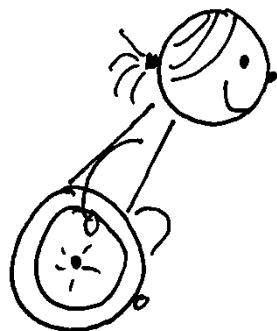
Methods construct validity

- 46 wheelchair basketball players
- Differences in time to complete the test
- Independent-sample t-test and effect size



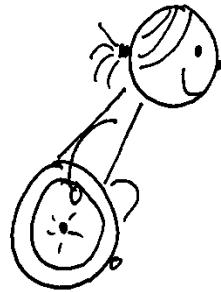
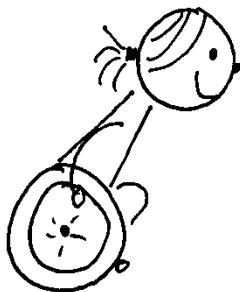
Methods reliability

- 23 wheelchair basketball players
- Difference in time to complete the test
- ICC was calculated

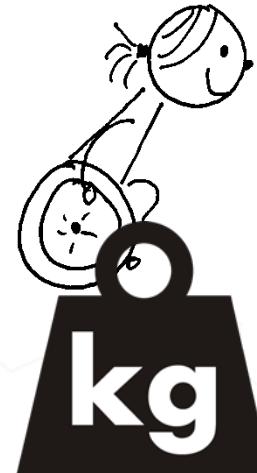


Methods sensitivity to change

- 16 wheelchair basketball players

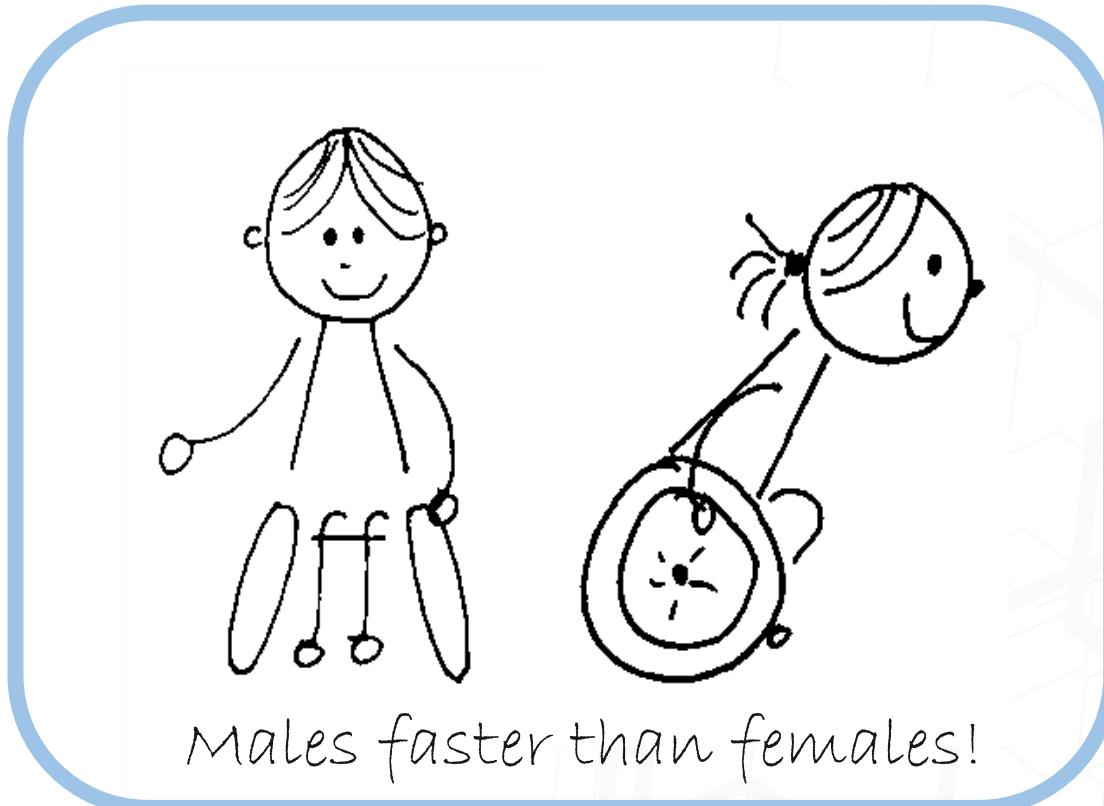


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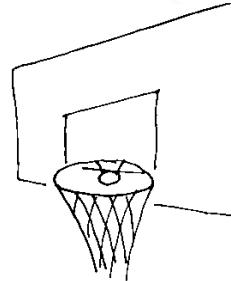
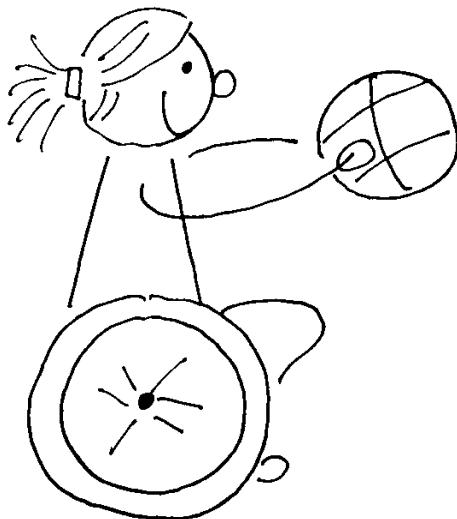
- Significant difference between both conditions in time
AND
- observed difference between both conditions larger than SEM_{agreement}
→ ES was calculated

Results construct validity



$P < 0.001$, $ES = 1.26$

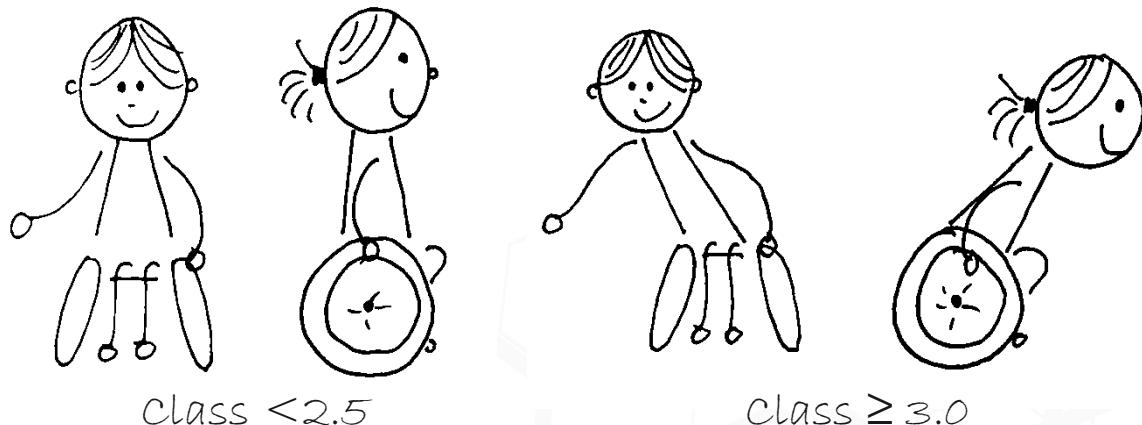
Results construct validity



International males
performed better
than national
males

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Results construct validity

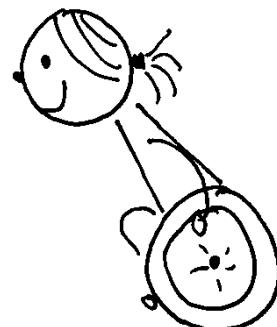
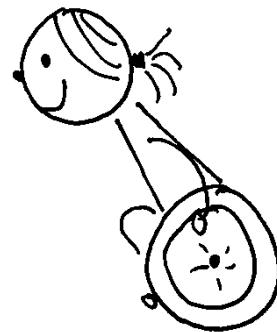


$P = 0.06$, $ES = 0.58$

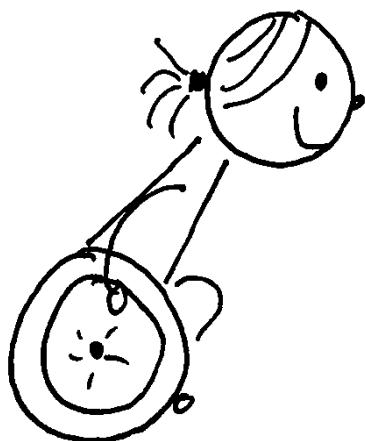
Results reliability

ICC=0.95

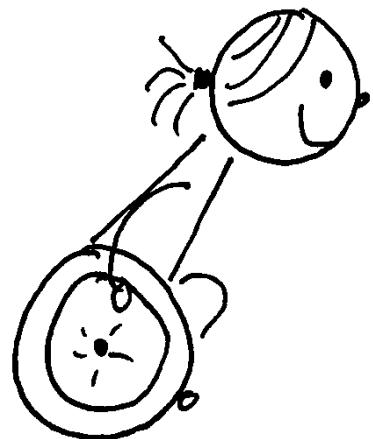
- Excellent**
- Good**
- Satisfactory**
- Poor**



Results sensitivity to change



101.6 ± 9.6 s

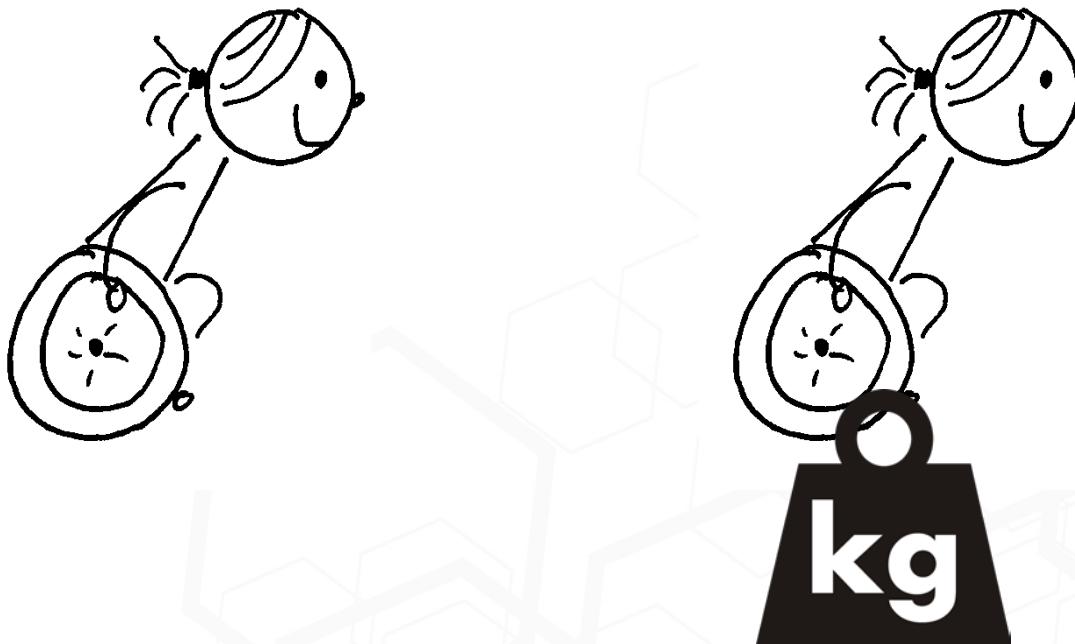


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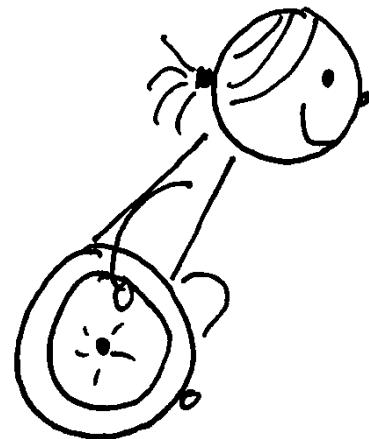
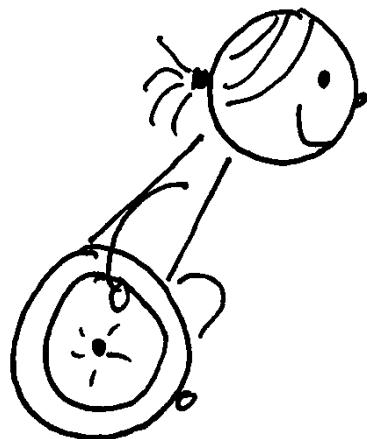
106.0 ± 10.5 s

Results sensitivity to change



ES = 0.44

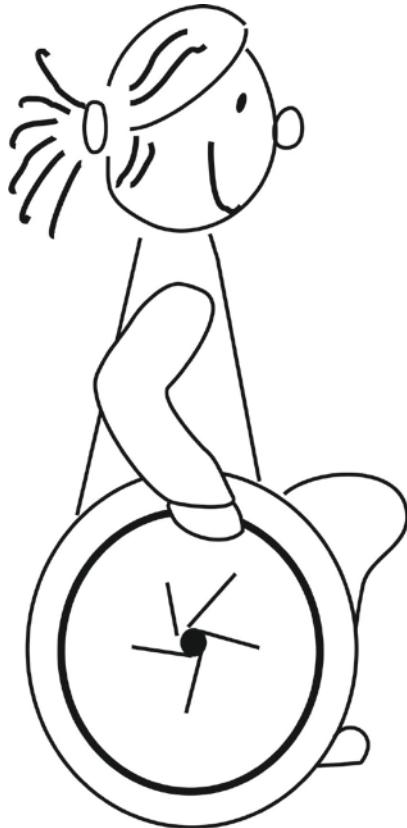
Results sensitivity to change



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ES = 0.38

Discussion

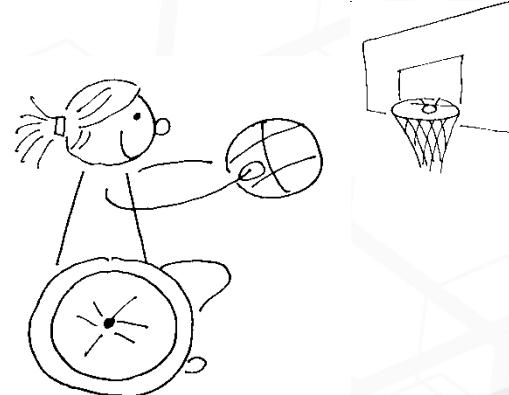


- Manipulation of wheelchair configuration but what if athlete of wheelchair athlete interaction was changed?
- Weighted condition had more effect on translational tasks than rotational tasks
- Relative weight gain was different between participants

Conclusion

The WMP test is :

- valid
- reliable
- sensitive to change





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Responsiveness versus sensitivity to change

- Responsiveness = a measure to detect change over time
- Sensitivity to change = a measure to detect change when it has occurred