Improved Hand Controls

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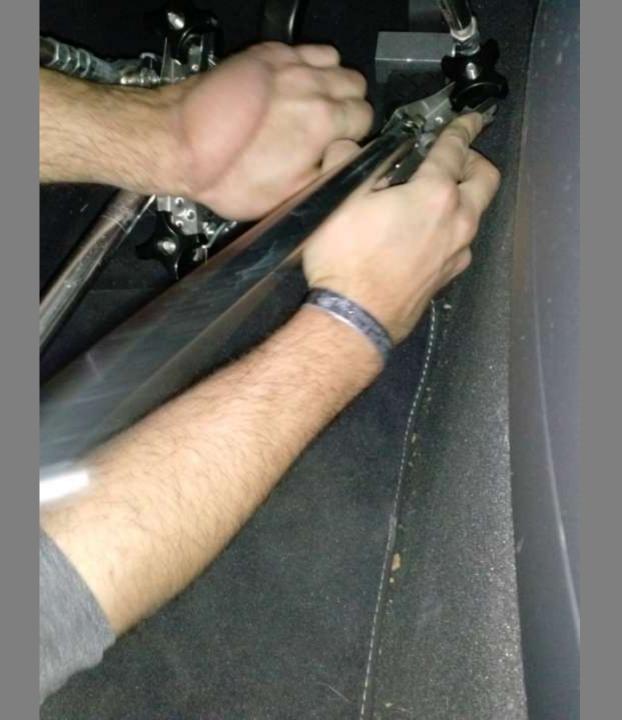
Agenda

- The Problem with Current Controls
- Goals
- Design Ideas
- Prototypes

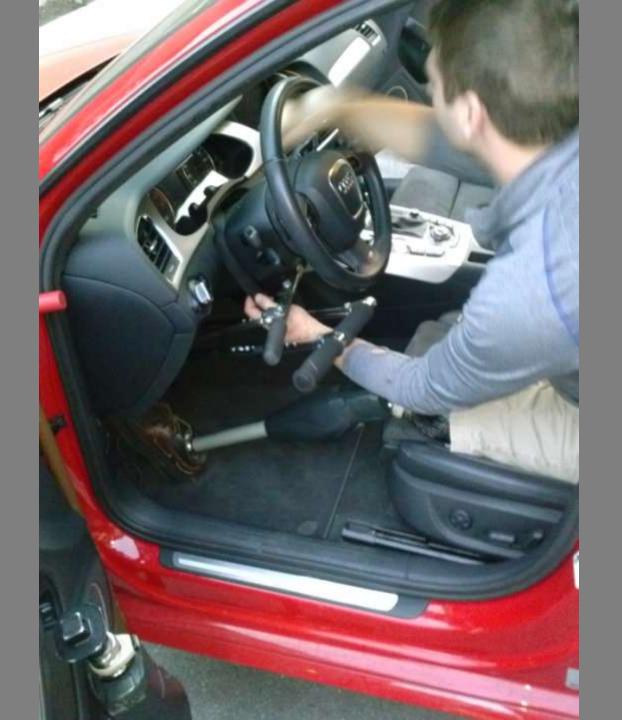












Problems with Current Controls

- 5 minutes to clamp onto brake and accelerator
- 3 minutes to strap to steering column
- 1.5 minutes to disassemble
- (Note all of these times are for an individual who has used them before)

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- To assemble them, a person has to get on their knees outside of the car and stick their head under the steering wheel
- Not universal? (So far golf carts and Audi R8 confirmed)

Goals for Improvement

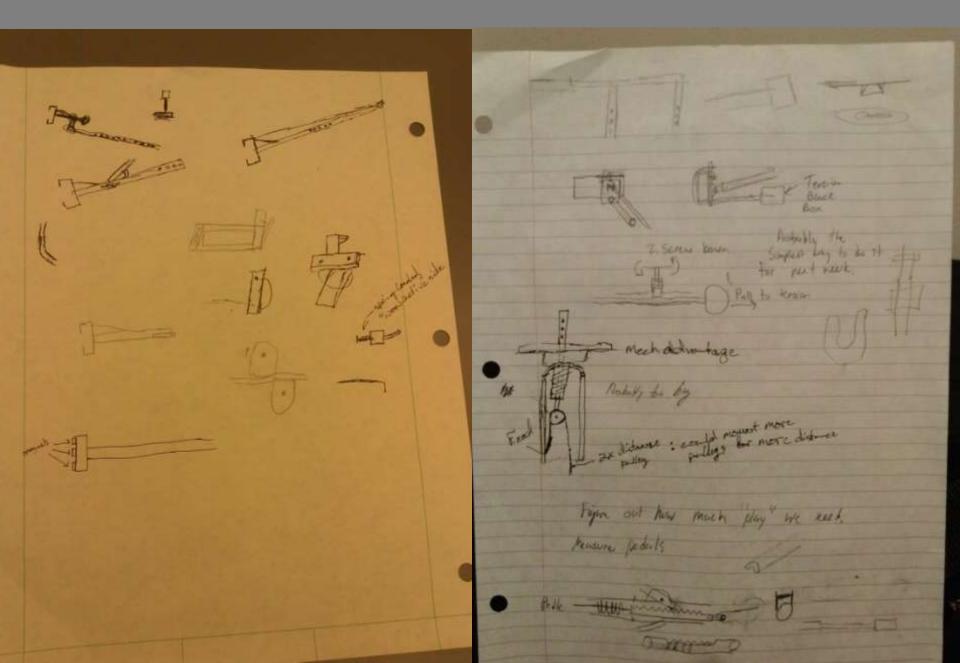
Primary:

- Reduce time required to assemble and disassemble
- Allow tightening from seated position in car
- Universal design (works on any car)

Secondary:

- Retain extendable length and collapsible design for easy transport
- Does not require fine motor skill

Brainstorm





Rough Prototype



Prototype Beginnings









<u>Video</u>



Moving Forward

- Plan A: Attempt to mount ratchet on main shaft
- Plan B: Create new foot with channel to attach tensioning rod with shoulder screws
- Test out tensioning mechanism
- Refine design
- Add Dycem[®]





