

Second Generation Bicycle Charging Station Concept Generation

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Overview

- Project Background
- Concept Generation
- Concept Selection
- Project Timeline Progress
- Conclusion

The Project

- **Goal Statement**

- Provide students with a way to understand and compare the amount of energy required to power and charge electronic devices with the amount of energy produced by pedaling a bicycle

The Project

- **First bicycle charging station built in 2012**
- **Second generation station must provide –**
 - Greater educational value
 - Interactive display
 - Comfort for variety of users
 - Increased portability

Concept Generation

- **Gearing**
- **User Adjustability**
- **Power Storage**
- **Portability**

Gearing

- **Single Speed**
 - Cost effective
 - Less complicated
- **Geared Bike**
 - Allows for higher RPMs
 - More expensive



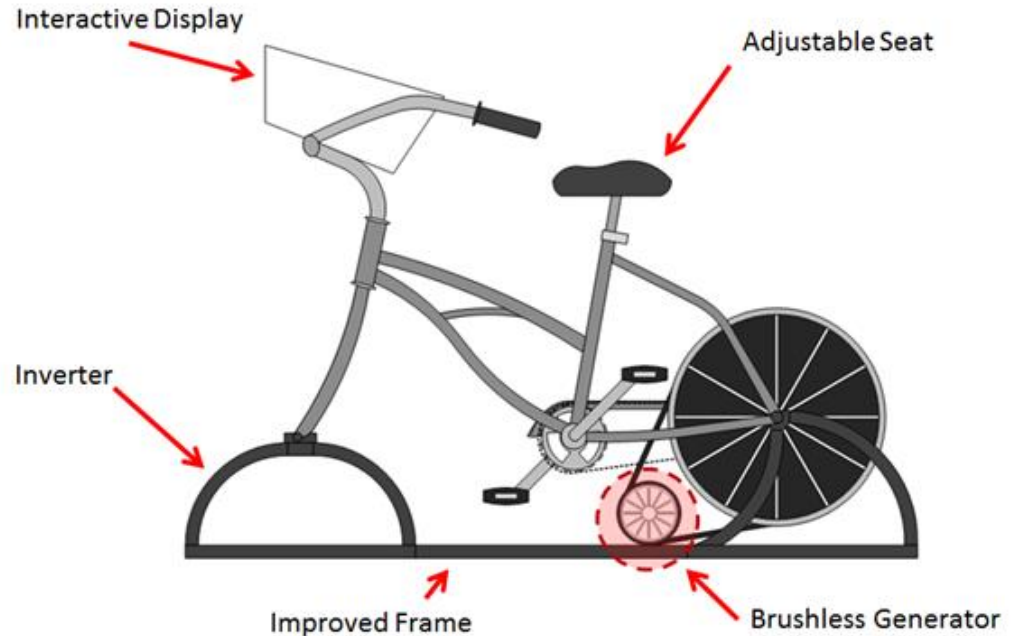
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User Adjustability

- **Upright configuration**

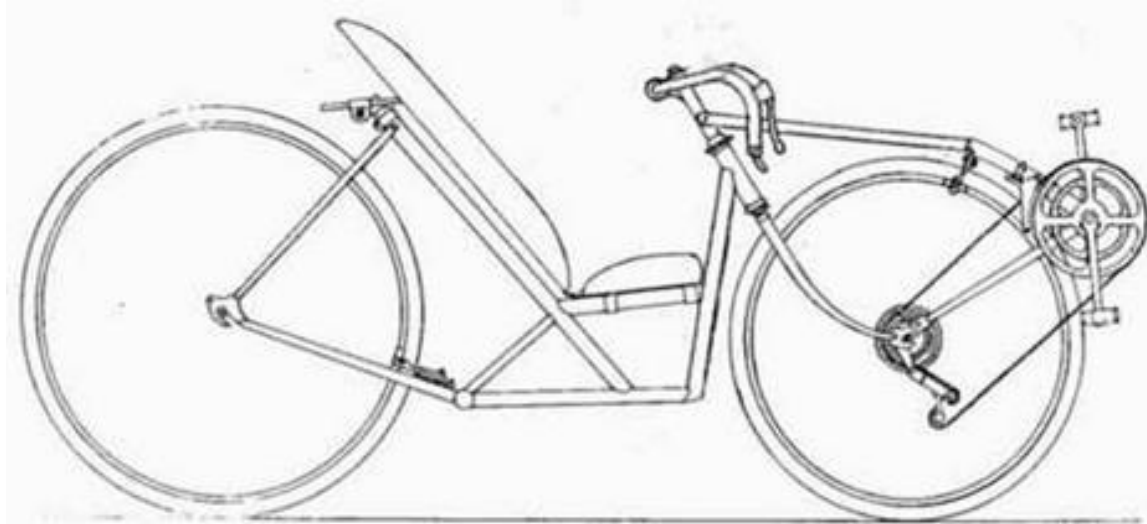
- Readily Available
- Seat Adjustability to 12 inches
- Lower cost



Adjustability

- **Recumbent Frame**

- Ergonomic advantage
- Higher cost
- Increased size



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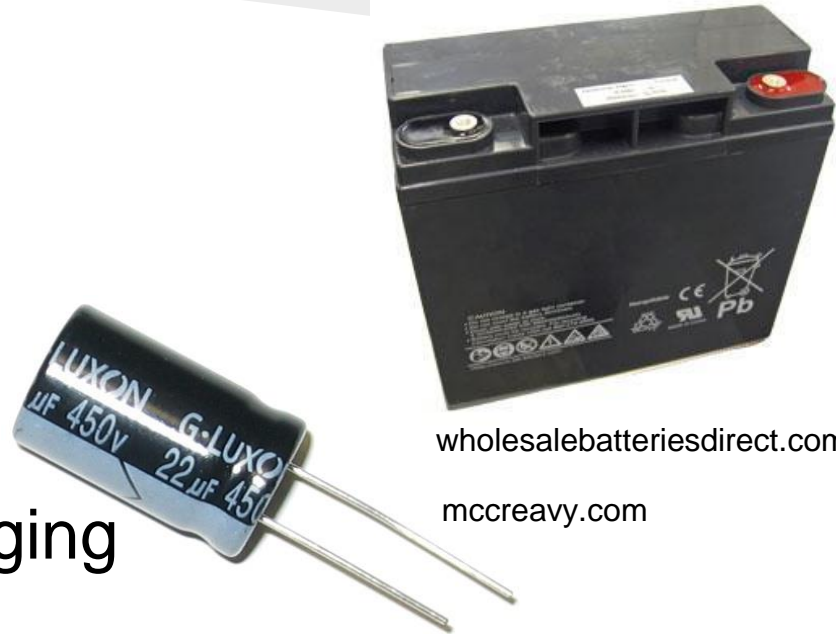
Power Storage

- **Battery**

- Must be initially charged before supplying power
- Charge depletes over time

- **Capacitor**

- Conducive to immediate charging
- Rapid discharge

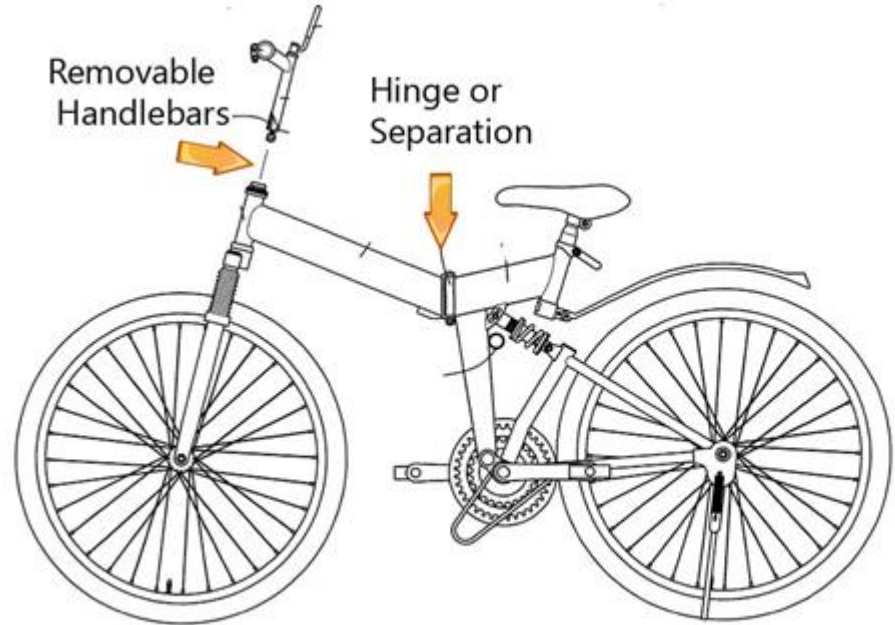


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Portability

- **Collapsible Frame**

- Frame separation
- Carrying case for each piece



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Portability

- **Rear wheel stand**
 - Rotates to top of rear wheel for ease of travel
 - Fewer components
 - Bicycle can be ridden to new location



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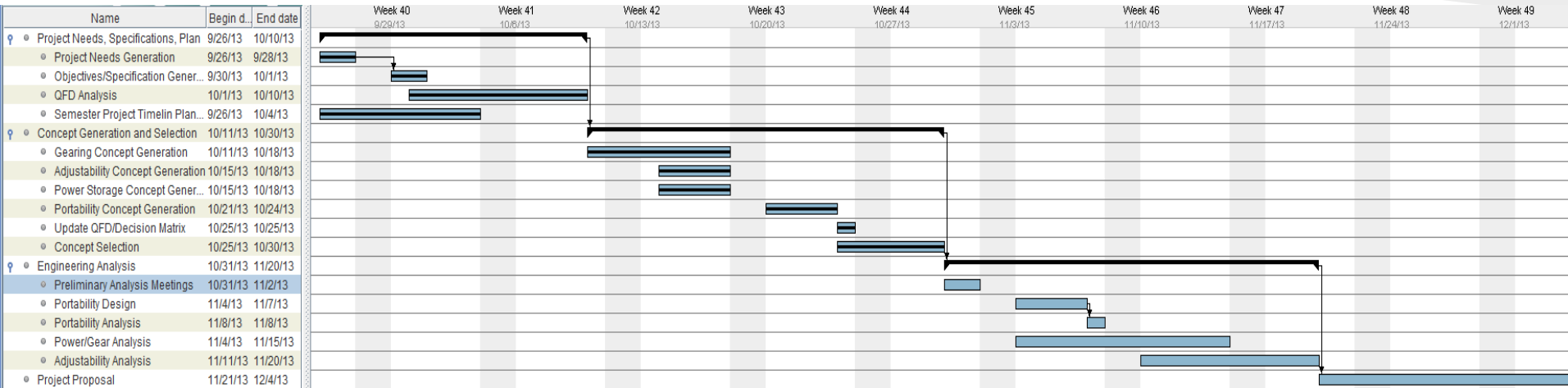
Relative Weight

Design Option	Assembly Time (sec)	Weight (lb)	Range of Adjustability (inches)	Cost (\$)	RPM	Maintenance (hours)	Total
Assembly Time (sec)	-	0	0	1	0	0	1
Weight (lb)	1	-	0	1	0	1	3
Range of Adjustability (inches)	1	1	-	1	0	1	4
Cost (\$)	0	0	0	-	0	1	1
RPM	1	1	1	1	-	1	5
Maintenance (hours)	1	0	0	0	0	-	1

Decision Matrix

Scale: 1-unfavorable 5-favorable	Assembly time (sec)	Weight (lb)	Range of Adjustability (inches)	Cost (S)	RPM	Maintenance (hours)	Total
Collapsible	5	2	1	1	1	2	23
Rear Wheel Stand	5	2	1	3	1	2	25
Upright Frame	5	1	5	4	3	1	48
Recumbent Frame	2	2	5	2	1	2	37
Gearred	1	1	3	4	5	3	48
Single Speed	1	1	2	1	5	1	39
Battery	1	1	1	4	1	1	18
Capacitor	1	4	1	4	1	1	27
Relative Weight	1	3	4	1	5	1	

Project Timeframe



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Conclusion

- Discussion of project and design concepts
- Concept selection
 - Upright Frame
 - Geared
 - Rear wheel stand
 - Capacitor
- Progress with respect to projected timeline

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